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**WINKLER/LOVING COUNTY
Ag/NR & 4H
NEWSLETTER
September 2012**

4-H

4-H Connect Registration

4-H Registration for the 2012/13 year will again be done electronically for youth members and adult volunteers on 4-H Connect, URL: 4honline.com. Registration opens on August 15, 2012 with a youth participation fee of \$20 from August 15-October 31, 2012, then \$25 from November 1- August 14, 2013. I encourage all youth members to register before October 31, 2012 to save the \$5 that will be added on November 1, 2012. Adults willing to volunteer do not have to pay a registration fee.

4-H Club Meeting

The 4-H Club Meeting will be Wednesday, September 19, 2012 at the Winkler-Loving AgriLife Extension Office at 7 p.m. **Officer elections will take place at this meeting!** Also the new format for **Project Meetings** will be presented with an idea of when these groups will meet.

Permian Basin Fair

Heifers, Steers, Lambs, and Goats will show September 7-9, 2012

2012 Reeves County Livestock Show

October 6, 2012 @ 9:00 a.m.

All entries are due Friday, October 5, 2012 from
4:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Steers, Lambs, and Goats

Fall Spectacular

November 10 & 11, 2012

San Angelo, Texas

Entry Deadline: October 27, 2012

Heifers, Steers, Pigs, Lambs, and Meat Goats

Steer Project Clinic

Wednesday

September 26, 2012

Wink 4-H Pens (Bring your steer(s) if possible)

6:30 p.m.

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If you have noticed Mesquite trees having a dark coloration, sap, and branches dying, the culprit may be the larva of the flat-headed borer. Borers primarily affect stressed trees, which seems to be the case with what we are seeing in the Mesquite tree population due to last year's extreme drought that occurred in Winkler and Loving Counties. After communicating with Dr. Mark Muegge, it was pointed out that most landscape trees should be unaffected by the larva since these trees received significantly less stress due to common watering practices and tree management provided to the trees we consider as "wanted". The image above shows the larva of the flat-headed borer and they are very easily recognized when found on the tree. The damage is even more evident because it will look like a maze of tunnels once the weak bark is removed around the trees. With further inspection you will most likely be able to locate the larva itself.

For more information on any events or other information, feel free to call the office 432.586.2593, email cesettle@ag.tamu.edu, or stop by the office- 307 S. Poplar St., Kermit, TX.

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Preparedness Toolkit

Water, one gallon of water per person per day for at least 3 days

Food, at least a 3 day supply of non-perishable food

Radio, battery or hand crank powered

Flashlight, with extra batteries

First Aid Kit

Whistle, to signal for help

Dust Mask, to filter contaminated air

Moist Towelettes, Garbage Bags, & Plastic Ties, for personal sanitation

Wrench or Pliers, to turn off utilities

Manual Can Opener

Local Maps

Cell Phone, with inverter or solar charger