

**Kingsbury News & Information Newsletter - November 20, 2022**

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## Kingsbury Texas

*News & Information Newsletter**Dear Kingsbury,**Here's the latest on what's going on in Kingsbury!*

### Happy Thanksgiving

This Thursday is Thanksgiving Day. And Friday, November 25th, marks the day that President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed a bill officially establishing the fourth Thursday in November as Thanksgiving Day in 1941.

The tradition of celebrating the holiday on Thursday dates back to the early history of the Plymouth and Massachusetts Bay colonies, when post-harvest holidays were celebrated on the weekday regularly set aside as "Lecture Day," a midweek church meeting where topical sermons were presented. A famous Thanksgiving observance is said to have occurred in the autumn of 1621, when Plymouth governor William Bradford invited local Indians to join the Pilgrims in a three-day festival held in **gratitude** for the bounty of the season.

Thanksgiving became an annual custom throughout New England in the 17th century, and in 1777 the Continental Congress declared the first national American Thanksgiving following the Patriot victory at Saratoga. In 1789, President George Washington became the first president to proclaim a Thanksgiving holiday, when, at the request of Congress, he proclaimed November 26, a Tuesday, as a day of national thanksgiving for the U.S. Constitution. However, it was not until 1863, when President Abraham Lincoln declared Thanksgiving to fall on the last Thursday of November, that the modern holiday was celebrated nationally.

With a few deviations, Lincoln's precedent was followed annually by every subsequent president—until 1939. In 1939, Franklin D. Roosevelt departed from tradition by declaring November 23, the next to last Thursday that year, as Thanksgiving Day. Considerable controversy surrounded this deviation, and some Americans refused to honor Roosevelt's declaration. For the next two years, Roosevelt repeated the unpopular proclamation, but on November 26, 1941, he admitted his mistake and signed a bill into law officially making the fourth Thursday in November the national holiday of Thanksgiving Day.



## There's A Day For Everything

In case you didn't already know ... there's something every day to **celebrate!**  
Here are some of the fun, unusual, or forgotten holidays this week:

**November 20th** - National Absurdity Day, National Child's Day, National Peanut Butter Fudge Day

**November 21st** - National Gingerbread Cookie Day, National Red Mitten Day, National Stuffing Day

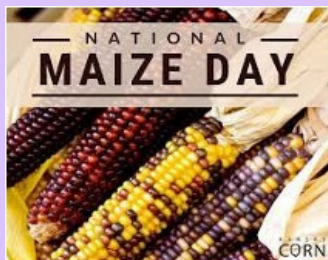
**November 22nd** - National Cranberry Relish Day

**November 23rd** - National Cashew Day, National Eat a Cranberry Day, National Espresso Day,  
National Jukebox Day, Tie One On Day

**November 24th** - National Sardines Day, National Day of Mourning, Thanksgiving Day, Turkey-free  
Thanksgiving

**November 25th** - Blase' Day, National Parfait Day, National Play Day With Dad, Shopping  
Reminder Day, Black Friday, Buy Nothing Day, Flossing Day, Maize Day, National Day of Listening,  
National Native American Heritage Day, You're Welcomegiving Day

**November 26th** - National Cake Day, Small Business Saturday





## Kingsbury Items For Sale

Looking for a neat little Kingsbury gift or want to support your location Kingsbury VFD? The KVFD Auxiliary has tea towels, stemless wine glasses, and coasters available for sale in the Kingsbury Country Store on Railway Street.

Tea towels wine glasses are \$10 and coasters are \$5 and all **proceeds** go to the KVFD Auxiliary for support of our firefighters and first responders.

Come check it all out!





## Texas Rangers Formed

This week in Texas history, on November 24, 1835, Texas lawmakers instituted a special force known as the Texas Rangers.

Stephen F. Austin had hired ten experienced **frontiersmen** as "rangers" as early as 1823, but the 1835 legislation formalized the organization. The importance of the rangers has waxed and waned several times over the ensuing century and a half. They participated in many notable battles with various Indian tribes and fought ably in the Mexican War; they also were dispatched to restore order during various feuds, border disturbances, and civic upheavals.

In the early twentieth century, however, numerous acts of brutality and debauchery committed by rangers, especially against Hispanics, were brought to light, in large part through the efforts of J. T. Canales, and in 1933 governor Miriam A. "Ma" Ferguson fired all forty-four rangers for their partisan support of her opponent Ross Sterling. When the Texas Department of Public Safety was founded in 1935, it assumed responsibility for a greatly reduced force.

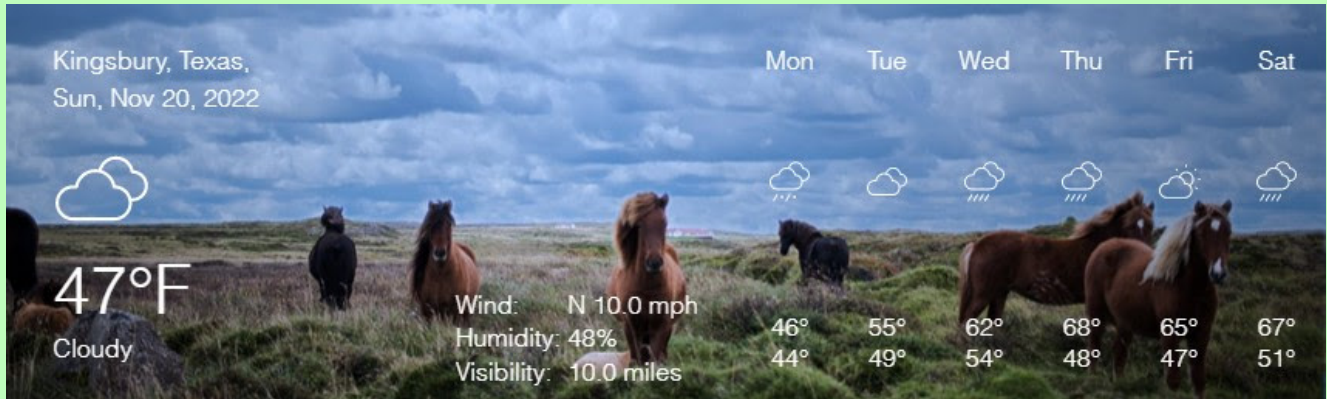
In subsequent decades, however, the rangers have once again come to be recognized as the elite of Texas law enforcement. Legendary rangers are honored in the Texas Ranger Hall of Fame and Museum in Waco.



A depiction of the Texas Rangers in 1845.

## Kingsbury Weather

Kingsbury weather for this week. You can always get the latest **weather** in Kingsbury on the Kingsbury website under [Calendar](#).



For current temperature, rainfall totals, wind speed, etc. just click on the bar at the bottom to go directly to the Baker Ranch weather station in Kingsbury. You can view local conditions and all the other weather stations in the TexMesonet network.



[Click here to check out the Texas Water Development Board "Baker Ranch" weather](#)

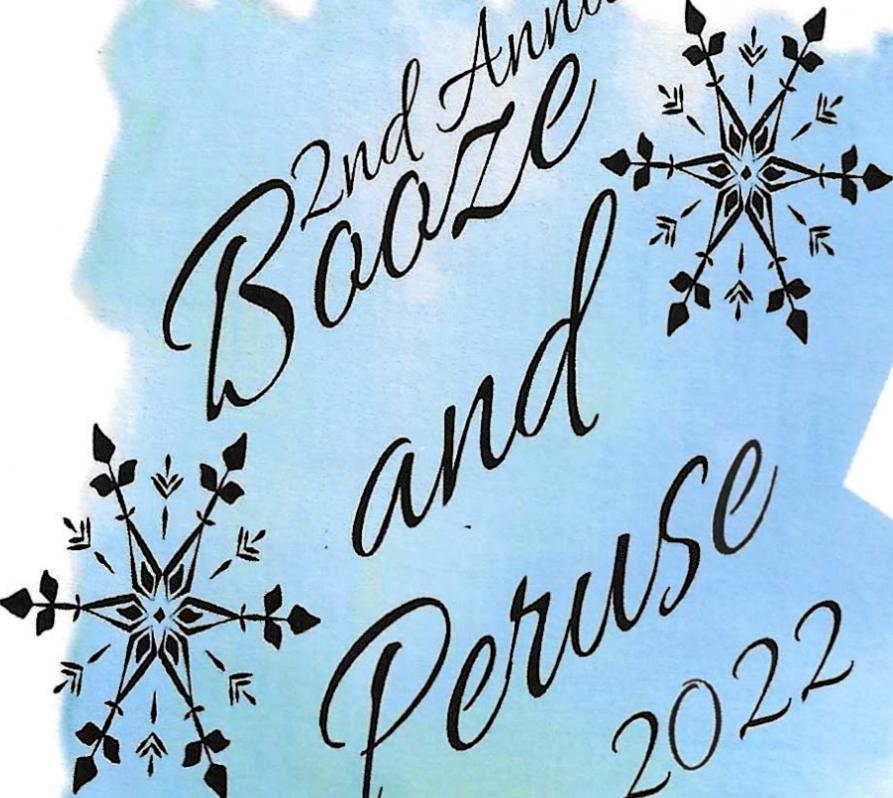
## Booze & Peruse

The 2nd Annual Booze & Peruse event is scheduled for December 10th!

There will be lots of vendor booths for you to finish your Christmas shopping, a drink **contest**, and Santa (and maybe even the Grinch!) will make an appearance.

Mark your calendars for a fun time in Downtown Kingsbury!

2<sup>nd</sup> Annual  
**Bazaar**  
and  
**Peruse**  
2022



12.10.2022

Downtown Kingsbury

6-9pm

### Kingsbury City Commission

The Kingsbury City Commission has a Regular Commission Meeting on the third Monday of each month. The next meeting will be

Monday, November 21st

at 6:30 in the Kingsbury Volunteer Fire Department fire station at [1060 FM 1104](#).

Items on the **agenda**:

- ★ Report on accounts
- ★ Announcements

You can always find the meetings in the Kingsbury Calendar on the [website](#).

All city commission meetings are open to the public.



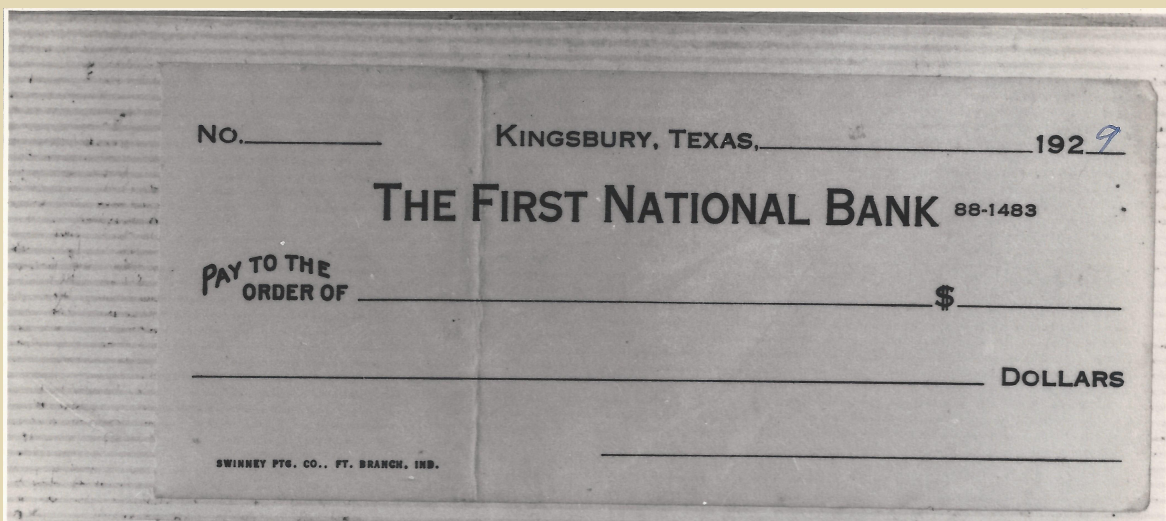
### Kingsbury Bank - Behind The Counter

To go with the picture of the inside of the Kingsbury First National Bank a couple of newsletters ago, here are a couple more!

The employees of the bank at work. The gentleman at right is Mr. Jesse Augustus Lynch who was the bank President when it opened in 1912. The gentleman working the adding machine (I think that's what that contraption is!) is the same man from the previous "inside the bank" picture that was posing as a customer at the teller window. He is wearing the same high boots and his hat is on the floor beneath the adding machine.

There is a **Remington** typewriter on the desk pull-out at the right, and the employee at the stand up work counter is entering data into a large ledger book. In the background is a wood burning stove and the bank vault.

The counter check from the bank is from the 1920s and had a "9" written in at some point on the picture. 1929 was the last year of the bank.



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Thanks!

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