

**Kingsbury News & Information Newsletter - September 27, 2020**

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

October starts on Thursday this week. It shouldn't be a surprise since the stores already have the Halloween stuff on display!



"October" was the name of the eighth month of the year in the ancient Roman calendar. When the Romans converted to a 12-month calendar by adding January and February, the name "October" stuck.

October's birth flowers are the cosmos and the calendula or marigold.



Cosmos is a symbol of joy in life and love and of peace.



The calendula (aka garden, English, or pot marigold) represents winning grace, grief, or chagrin.

*Listen! The wind is rising,  
 And the air is wild with leaves,  
 We have had our summer evenings,  
 Now for October eves!*

—Humbert Wolfe (1885-1940)

The October birthstone is the opal, which symbolizes faithfulness and confidence.



Opals also symbolize hope and purity and were once thought to improve eyesight or enhance intuition. Throughout history, the gem's reputation has oscillated between standing for luck and standing for lack of luck. According to some, those born in October are immune from any possible negative effects.

OCTOBER FOLKLORE

🍂 *When deer are in a grey coat in October, expect a hard winter*

🍂 *Much rain in October, much wind in December*

🍂 *A warm October means a cold February!*

🍂 *In October dung your field, and your land its wealth shall yield.*

🍂 *Good October, a good blast, To blow the hog acorn and mast.*

OCTOBER NIGHT SKIES



### Draconids

Keep an eye out for the Draconid meteor shower – sometimes called the Giacobinids – that is expected to peak at nightfall or early evening on October 7th though under a moon-drenched sky. The radiant point for the Draconid meteor shower almost coincides with the head of the constellation Draco the Dragon in the northern sky.

### Orionids

The Orionids run from October 2nd to November 7th this year and are a medium strength shower that sometimes reaches high strength activity. In a normal year the Orionids produce 10-20 shower members at maximum. The Orionids will next peak on the Oct 20-21 night. On this night, the moon will be 23% full.

### Southern Taurids

The Southern Taurids are a long-lasting shower that has several minor peaks during its activity period. The shower is active for more than two months (September 10th to November 20th) but rarely produces more than five shower members per hour, even at maximum activity. The Taurids (both branches) are rich in fireballs and are often responsible for increased number of fireball reports from September through November.

The Southern Taurids will next peak on the Oct 29-30 night. On this night, the moon will be 98% full.



## 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:

**September 27** - National Chocolate Milk Day, National Crush a Can Day, National Corned Beef Hash Day, National Scarf Day, National Gold Star Mother's Day, International Daughters Day

**September 28** - National Drink Beer Day, National Good Neighbor Day, National Strawberry Cream Pie Day, National North Carolina Day, National Family Day

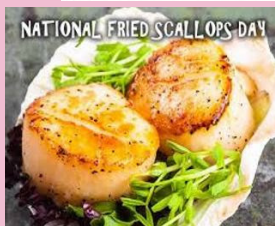
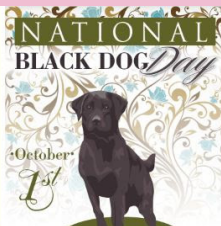
**September 29** - National Coffee Day, VFW Day

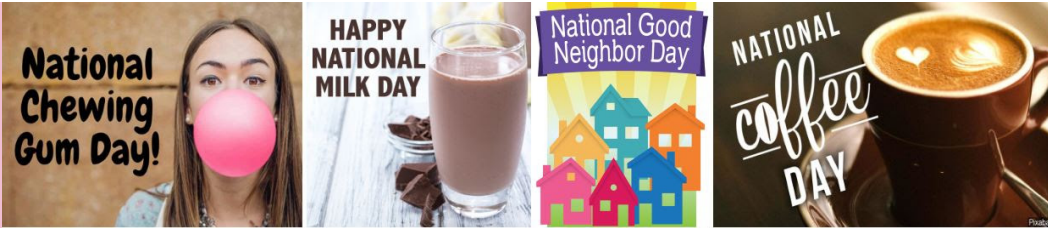
**September 30** - National Love People Day, National Chewing Gum Day, National Mud Pack Day, National Hot Mulled Cider Day, National Women's Health & Fitness Day

**October 1** - National Black Dog Day, National Hair Day, Fire Pup Day, National Homemade Cookies Day

**October 2** - National Produce Misting Day, National Custodial Worker's Recognition Day, National Name Your Car Day, National Fried Scallops Day, National Manufacturing Day, National Body Language Day

**October 3** - National Techies Day, National Boyfriend Day





### Longhorn Quilt Raffle

Since the annual fundraising Bar-B-Q was cancelled due to the ongoing restrictions and concerns with the pandemic, the Kingsbury VFD is looking for other ways to raise money this year.

There will be a raffle for a wonderful "Longhorns" quilt made by Linda Hurt Tart. Linda made the quilt for the Live Auction at the KVFD Bar-B-Q this year. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 rickets for \$5.

The **winning** raffle ticket will be drawn at this year's Fall Harvest Festival on November 14th.

The KVFD Auxiliary will be selling tickets at the first Farmers Market each month and tickets for the quilt will also be sold in the Kingsbury Country Store every day through to Fall Harvest Festival.



### Full Hunter's Moon

Thursday, October 1st, is the rising of the Full Hunter's Moon.

Most of our monthly Moon names come from Native American and early American folklore. However, the Full Hunter's Moon is one of two Moons that is a **longstanding** astronomical term.

Specifically, the Hunter's Moon is always the first full Moon after the Harvest Moon (which is the closest full moon to the autumnal equinox).

The Hunter's Moon rises right around sunset—and sets around sunrise. It's the only night in the month when the Moon is in the sky all night long.

Because the Hunter's Moon rises around sunset near the horizon, it may appear bigger and more orange than your typical Moon. However, this is just the "Moon Illusion."


In the autumn months, there's no long period of darkness between sunset and moonrise for several days in a row, around the time of full moon. In the days before tractor lights, the lamp of the Harvest Moon helped farmers to gather their crops, despite the diminishing daylight hours. As the sun's light faded in the west, the moon would soon rise in the east to illuminate the fields throughout the night. A month later, after the harvest was done, the full Hunter's Moon was said to illuminate the prey of hunters, scooting along in the stubble left behind in the fields.

#### MOON FACTS AND FOLKLORE



*Corn planted under a waning Moon grows slower but yields larger ears.*

 *Babies born a day after the full Moon enjoy success and endurance.*

 *A new Moon in your dreams promises increased wealth or a happy marriage.*

Other names for this month's Full Moon:

- Colonial American – Hunter's Moon*
- Chinese – Kindly Moon*
- Celtic – Harvest Moon*
- English Medieval – Blood Moon*

- Apache – Moon When the Corn Is Taken In*
- Cherokee – Harvest Moon*
- Mohawk – Time of Poverty Moon*
- Cheyenne – Moon When Freeze Begins On Stream's Edge*
- Choctaw – Moon Of The Wildcat*
- Ponca – Moon When They Store Food In Caches*
- Comanche – Fall Moon*
- Arapaho – Falling Leaves Moon*
- Hopi – Moon of Long Hair*
- Shawnee – Long Moon*
- Lakota – Moon When the Wind Shakes Off Leaves*
- Sioux – Changing Season Moon*
- Zuni – Big Wind Moon*
- Dakotah Sioux – Moon When Quilling and Beading Is Done*
- Cree – Moon When The Birds Fly South*



### Farmers Market

There will be a Farmer's Market in downtown Kingsbury today and every Sunday, **weather** permitting. The event will be in



***Downtown Kingsbury  
From noon to 3  
Every Sunday***



The event will be outside so you will be able to have the 6 foot safe distancing that is recommended and still be able to pick up farm fresh eggs and produce. Homemade pies, cakes, and other baked goods are also usually available.



Plant starts, fruit trees, herbs, Kingsbury T-shirts, food, drinks, lemonade, homemade soaps, and colorful face masks are usually on hand also.



### Fall Wings & Wheels Fly-In

The Wings and Wheels Fall Fly-In at the Old Kingsbury **Aerodrome** and Pioneer Flight Museum (on Pershing Lane just off of FM 1104) is coming up Saturday, November 14th.

The event will have re-enactors, lots of vintage planes, antique cars and cycles, yummy eats and treats, live music, and tons of fun!

Gates open at 9 am and the entry is free (but donations are gladly accepted!)



### Kingsbury Weather

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

Kingsbury, Texas,  
Sun, Sep 27, 2020

77°F  
Cloudy

Wind: S 12.0 mph  
Humidity: 90%  
Visibility: 10.0 miles

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
☁	☀	☀	☀	☀	☁
80°	82°	87°	89°	85°	84°
53°	51°	56°	57°	59°	64°

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](#)

## Kingsbury Fall Harvest Festival

The 9th Annual Fall Harvest **Festival** is scheduled for Saturday, November 14th in downtown Kingsbury!

The activities go from Noon till 6 and include



*Live music all day*

*Farmers & Artisans Market*

*Interactive art pieces*

*The Trading Post - Bring something handmade or home-grown to trade!*

*Hay Dive*

*Baking Contest*

*Raffle Drawing*

*Petting Zoo*



As part of the Festival this year, there is an Open Call for art pieces:

### Fall Harvest Festival Open Call:

We invite you to create an art piece that will be exhibited as part of a competition at this year's Fall Harvest Festival. The artwork will be judged by a panel curated by Habitable Spaces administration with prize ribbons in each category. The grand prize winner will receive a blue ribbon and \$100 in cash. After the competition, the pieces will be auctioned off during the festival and the proceeds will go to support the Kingsbury Volunteer Fire Department and the Fall Harvest Festival.

Registration deadline is October 23,

Pieces must be delivered by Saturday October 31 and will be on view all week until the Fall Harvest festival. Prize ribbons will be awarded on November 6<sup>th</sup>.

### ALL ARTWORK MUST FIT INTO ONE OF THESE CATEGORIES:

1. ONE MAN'S TRASH IS ANOTHER MAN'S TREASURE  
Take something that has been discarded and make it into something with value.

2. ART ON THE RANGE  
Create something that can be displayed as a public art piece in an outdoor space in the country. All pieces must fit into the following categories.

· The materials in the piece must be agriculturally based

**OR**

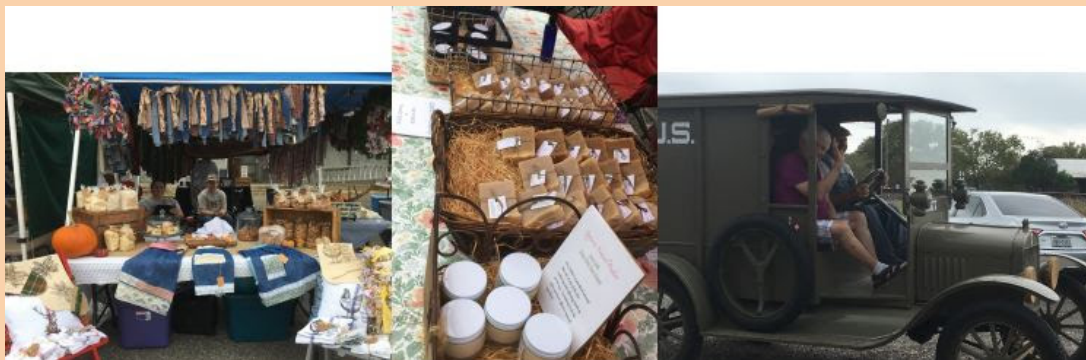
· When the piece decays, it must give back to the place that it inhabits.

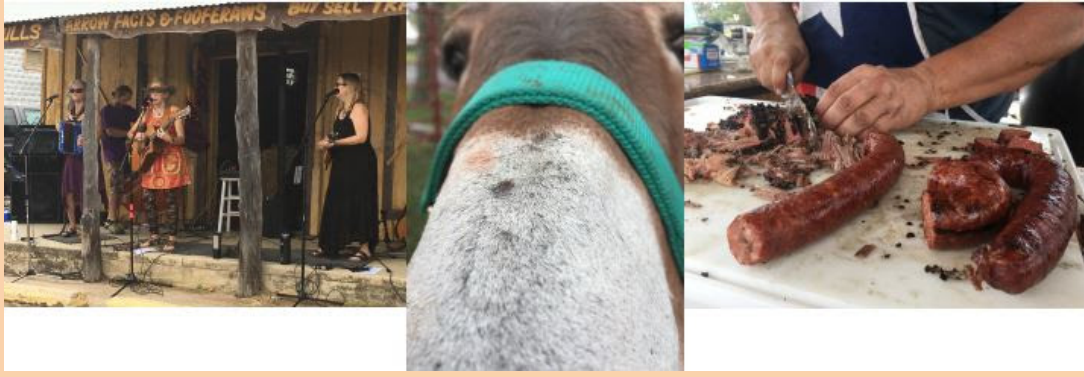
Examples of possible pieces could include:

A quilt made from used feed bags, a sculpture made with hay bales, a giant cowboy made out of old farm equipment.

All artwork that needs a tractor or large equipment for installation must be installed and de-installed by the artist or artist team.

For more information about this competition, please go to [www.habitablespaces.org/](http://www.habitablespaces.org/)





### Burn Ban Status

There is currently no burn ban for Guadalupe County.

As always, please take precautions and report any fire hazards immediately to the Kingsbury Volunteer Fire Department at 639-4499. To report a fire, please dial 911.



### November Elections

With the **November** elections coming up, here is some important information regarding the election:

**Important dates:**

Monday, October 5 -- Last Day to Register to Vote

Tuesday, October 13 -- First Day to Early Vote

Friday, October 23 -- Last Day to Apply for Mail Ballot (Received, Not Postmarked)

Friday, October 30 -- Last Day to Early Vote

Tuesday, November 3 -- Election Day

**EARLY VOTING LOCATIONS NEAREST TO THE KINGSBURY AREA**

Main Elections Office - [215 S. Milam St.](#), Seguin  
 Seguin ISD Administration Building - [1221 E. Kingsbury St.](#), Seguin

**EARLY VOTING DATES AND HOURS**

Tuesday, October 13th through Friday, October 16th -- 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Saturday, October 17th -- 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, October 18th -- 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Monday, October 19th through Saturday, October 24th -- 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, October 25th -- 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Monday, October 26th through Friday, October 30th -- 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

**Election Day**

The polling place in Kingsbury on Election Day, November 3rd, will be The Kingsbury Methodist Church ([7035 FM 2438](#)).

The polls will be open from 7:00 am to 7:00 pm.



### Hangin' Out

These young girls were just "hanging out" in Kingsbury at the Hurt Brothers Garage (Geno's Garage today) in the early 1940s.

From left to right: Dorothy Chessher, Joyce Hurt, Glenda Ferrell, Gloria Halm, and Mary Jane Appling.

The car they are standing in front of is apparently a **junker** with no tires, but the car still in use and parked at the building looks like a much older model. Wouldn't it be great to have either one today? The "Motorists Wise Simoniz" sign in the back is advertising the Simoniz car wax. I don't think either of these cars saw much Simoniz-ing for a "fine finish and protection"!



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Send them this email! All they need to do is go to the [Kingsbury website](#), click on the weird little **dog** at the bottom of any page, and fill out their name and email address. It's so easy! Let's get everybody to be "in the know" about what's going on in their community.





Thanks!

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