

Kingsbury News & Information Newsletter - September 17, 2023

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Kingsbury Texas

News & Information Newsletter



Dear Kingsbury,

Here's the latest on what's going on in Kingsbury!

First Day Of Autumn

If you've sweated your way through a long hot summer, you might be ready for a change in **season**! The autumnal equinox—also called the September equinox and the fall equinox in the Northern Hemisphere—falls on September 22nd this year. Specifically, the Northern Hemisphere marks the autumnal equinox on Saturday, September 22, 2023, at exactly 1:50 a.m. Kingsbury time.



Autumn has caught us in our summer wear.

—Philip Larkin, British poet (1922–86)



The autumnal equinox is the astronomical start of fall in the Northern Hemisphere and spring in the Southern Hemisphere.



Autumn days come quickly, like the running of a hound on the moor.

–Irish proverb



Why is it called an equinox? The word comes from the Latin *aequus*, meaning “equal” and *nox*, meaning “night.”

During the equinox, the Sun crosses what we call the “celestial equator.” Imagine a line that marks the equator on Earth extending up into the sky above the equator from north to south. Earth’s two hemispheres receive the Sun’s rays about equally. The Sun is overhead at noon as seen from the equator, so at this point, the amount of nighttime and daytime (sunlight) are roughly equal to each other.



*It is the summer’s great last heat,
It is the fall’s first chill: They meet.*

–Sarah Morgan Bryan Piatt

Another definition of fall is cooler nights combined with days of temperatures below 70 degrees. From here on out, the temperatures begin to drop.

Note that fall foliage isn’t due to current weather conditions. This is a common misconception. Leaves change color because of the amount of daylight and photosynthesis.



FALL EQUINOX FAQs



Q: Are day and night perfectly equal on the equinox?

A: No. Even on the equinox, day and night aren’t perfectly equal! However, they are very close to equal (the lengths may be off by only a few minutes). Why does this happen?

It depends where you live. On the equinox, the center of the Sun is above the horizon for 12 hours. However, “sunrises” is said to begin when the upper edge of the Sun’s disk becomes visible above the horizon (which happens a bit before the center rises) and ends when the entire Sun has set. In this case, daylight is longer than 12 hours.

Not only that, but the Sun is actually visible when it is below the horizon, as Earth’s atmosphere refracts the Sun’s rays and bends them in an arc over the horizon. Yes, you can actually see the Sun before the edge actually reaches the horizon! This causes daylight to be longer than 12 hour as well.



Q: Is the Autumnal Equinox really the first day of Fall?

A: Based on the astronomical definition of seasons, yes, the autumnal equinox does mark the first day of fall (in the Northern Hemisphere). However, according to the meteorological definition of seasons, which is based on temperature cycles and the Gregorian calendar, the first day of fall is September 1.



Q: Can you balance an egg on the Equinox?

A: There’s an old-wife’s tale that you can stand an egg on its end of the equinox. Well, yes, but it’s not just on the equinox. Still it’s a bit of fun. Try it!



ANCIENT AUTUMN TRADITIONS



The fall equinox has been a day of celebration for cultures since ancient days. People tracked the transitions of the Earth’s journeys around the Sun.

🍁 In Machu Picchu in Peru, an ancient stone monument called Intihuatana—which means “Hitching Post of the Sun”—serves as a solar clock to mark the dates of the equinoxes and solstices.

🍁 In Mexico, the Mayans built a giant pyramid called Chichen Itza. On the equinoxes, it looks as if a snake made of light slithers down the pyramid's steps.

🍁 In England, Stonehedge was also built with the equinoxes and solstices in mind.



National Night Out

The National Night Out event in Kingsbury is coming up on Tuesday, October 3rd from 5:30 pm - 7 pm in downtown Kingsbury at the tree.

National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood **camaraderie** to make our neighborhoods safer, more caring places to live.

Millions of neighbors take part in National Night Out across thousands of communities from all fifty states, U.S. territories and military bases worldwide on the first Tuesday in August. To escape some of the heat, here in Texas we celebrate on the first Tuesday in October.

We'll be having the event in the downtown with free food, members of our local law enforcement, fun activities, information on crime in our area, and our Kingsbury first-responders.

Everyone in the Kingsbury area is welcome to attend. Come on down and meet your friends and neighbors!



POLICE • COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

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 17th - National Professional House Cleaners Day, National Monte Cristo Day, Wife Appreciation Day, National Apple Dumpling Day, Constitution Day And Citizenship Day

September 18th - World Bamboo Day, Air Force Birthday, National HIV/AIDS And Aging Awareness Day, National Cheeseburger Day

September 19th - National Butterscotch Pudding Day, National IT Professionals Day, Talk Like A Pirate Day, National Voter Registration Day

September 20th - National Care For Kids Day, National Fried Rice Day, Pepperoni Pizza Day, National String Cheese Day, National Punch Day

September 21st - National Pawpaw Day, National Chai Day, National New York Day, National Pecan Cookie Day

September 22nd - National States And Capitals Day, National Online Recovery Day, National Girls' Night, National Legwear Day, National Brave Day, National White Chocolate Day, National Centenarian's Day, National Ice Cream Cone Day, Hobbit Day, National Elephant Appreciation Day, Dear Diary Day, Car Free Day, American Business Women's Day

September 23rd - National Seat Check Saturday, National Singles Day, National Teal Talk Day, National Snack Stick Day, National Great American Pot Pie Day, National Checkers Day And Dogs In Politics Day, Restless Legs

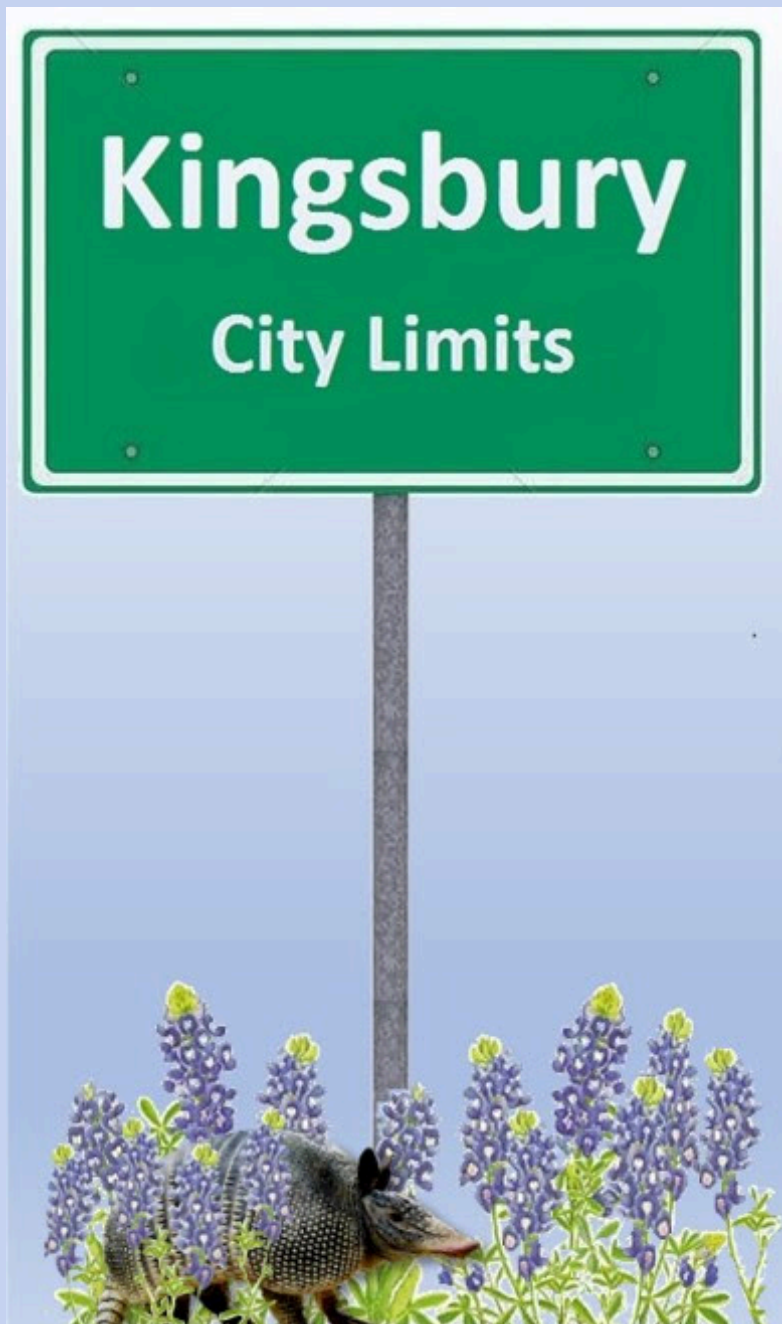


Kingsbury City Limits

Do you have property in the Kingsbury area but not in the **official** Kingsbury city limits? Would you like it to be a part of the new city of Kingsbury? Let Kingsbury know! It's a simple "Voluntary Annexation" petition form to fill out and you can be on the list to be part of our Kingsbury.

Check out the "Kingsbury City Limits" page on the Kingsbury [website](#) to see the current map, get a petition form, and find more information on voluntary annexations.

Also, check out the Kingsbury "[Blog](#)" to see pictures of the first voluntary annexations! Need more information? Just fill out the "Contact" page on the Kingsbury [website](#) and a city official will get it to you. It's so easy!



Hurricane Beulah

This week in Texas history, on September 20, 1967, Hurricane Beulah, the third largest hurricane of the twentieth century, struck South Texas. It battered the state for two days.

The storm hit Brownsville with winds estimated at 140 miles an hour, moved northwest across South Texas to the vicinity of Alice, then turned southwest, crossed the Rio Grande between Zapata and Laredo, and finally blew itself out in Mexico.

The 115 **tornadoes** spawned by Beulah were the second most in history and did extensive damage to South Texas and northeast Mexico. On September 28, President Johnson declared twenty-four counties in South Texas a disaster area. Official estimates in these counties set the number of dead at 18, the injured or sick at 9,000, and the number of homes destroyed or heavily damaged at 3,000. Property damage was estimated at \$100 million, crop damage at \$50 million. Some 300,000 people were evacuated during the storm and subsequent flooding.



Burn Ban Is On

The Guadalupe County Commissions Court has instituted an outdoor burn **ban** for Guadalupe County. The burn ban imposed by the Commissioners Court has specific guidelines for

- 🔥 Welding, cutting, and grinding or any activity that causes a spark
- 🔥 Burning household trash
- 🔥 Burning of other items

The official notification with all the guidelines can be found on the Guadalupe County website [here](#).



The City of Kingsbury has a "trigger" ordinance where a burn ban is in effect in the city limits whenever there is a burn ban issued by the county.

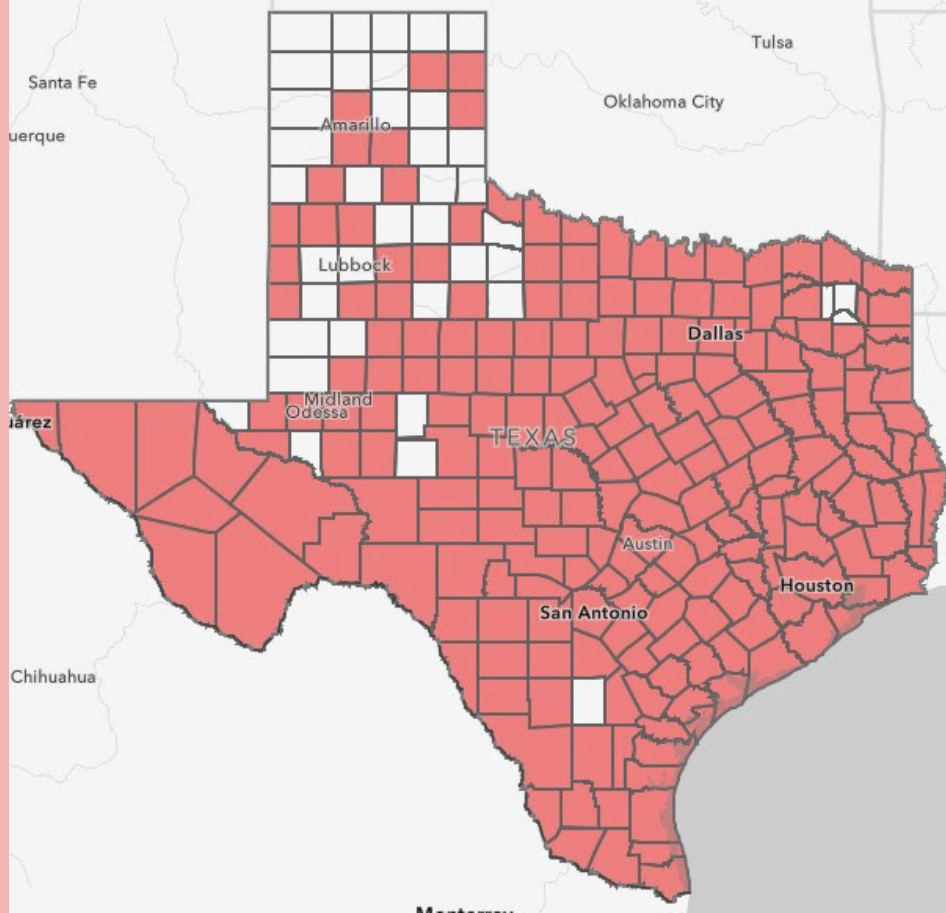


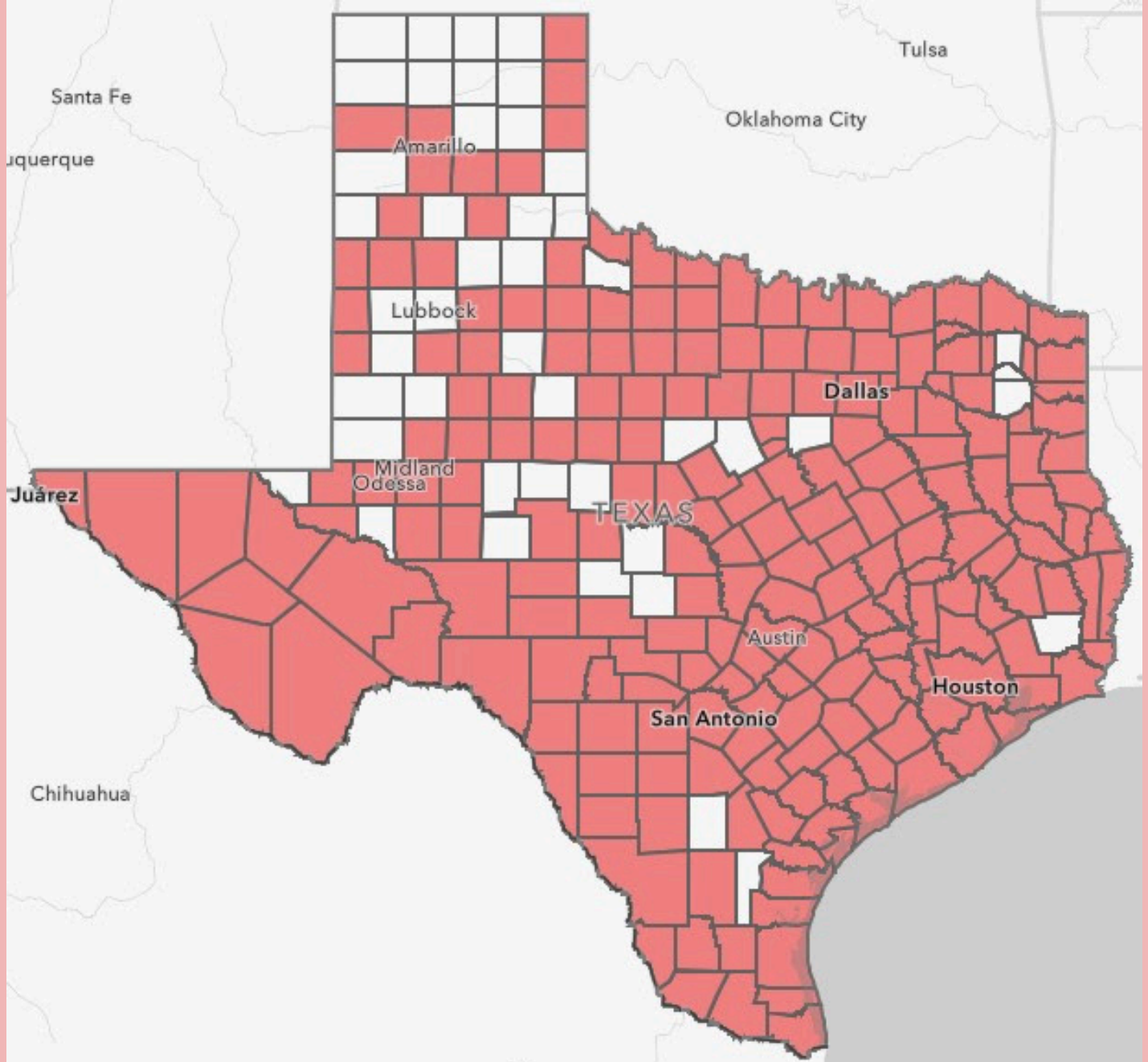
As always, please take precautions and report any fire hazards immediately to the Kingsbury Volunteer Fire Department at 639-4499 or to the Guadalupe Fire Dispatch at 379-1224. To report a fire, please dial



Of the 254 counties in Texas, there are currently **209** that have a burn ban, down from 215 last week. This leaves only 45 counties still without a burn ban in the state.

Current burn bans by county in Texas last week and this week:





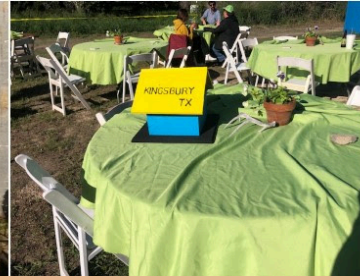
Kingsbury Fall Harvest Festival

Planning is underway for the 2023 Fall Harvest **Festival** in Downtown Kingsbury!

The big event will be Saturday, November 11th with lots of activities, food, and fun so mark your calendars!

The latest information can be found at www.kingsburyfallfest.org!





Shooting Event

There will be a clays shooting event at Moyesway shooting range in Kingsbury **benefitting** the Paralyzed Veterans of America on October 1.

Entry forms are available online or at the Kingsbury Country Store.



OPEN TO ANY LEVEL OF SHOOTER
NOVICE TO EXPERIENCED -
INDIVIDUAL OR TEAM
EVERYONE IS WELCOME

\$150 - 100 BIRD MAIN EVENT
\$60 - 50 BIRD ADDITIONAL / OPTIONAL

FALL SPORTING CLAYS SHOOT NSCA TOURNAMENT 2023

OCTOBER 1, 2023

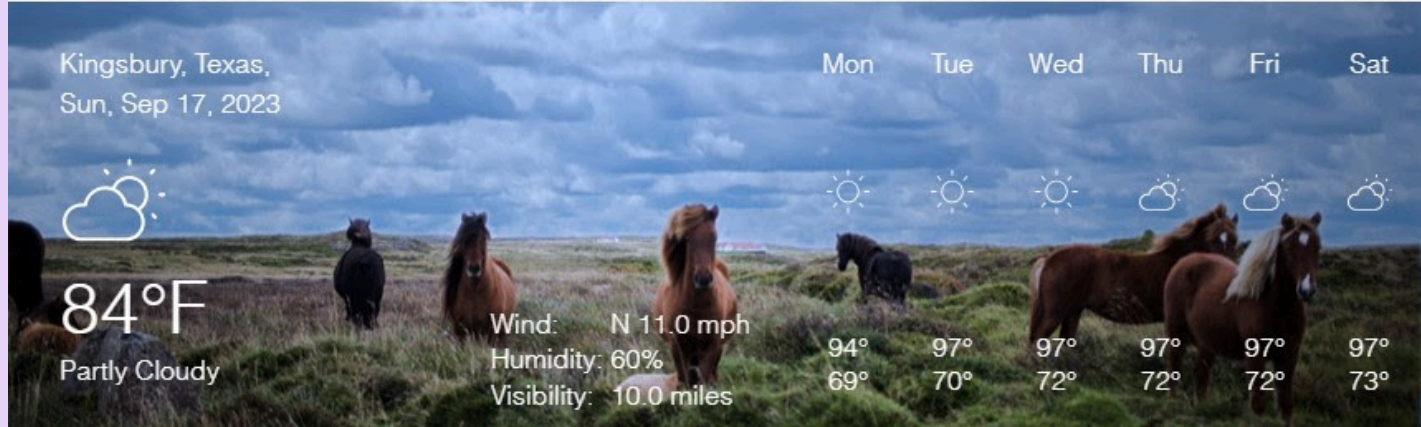
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Kingsbury Weather

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.



Model T Raffle

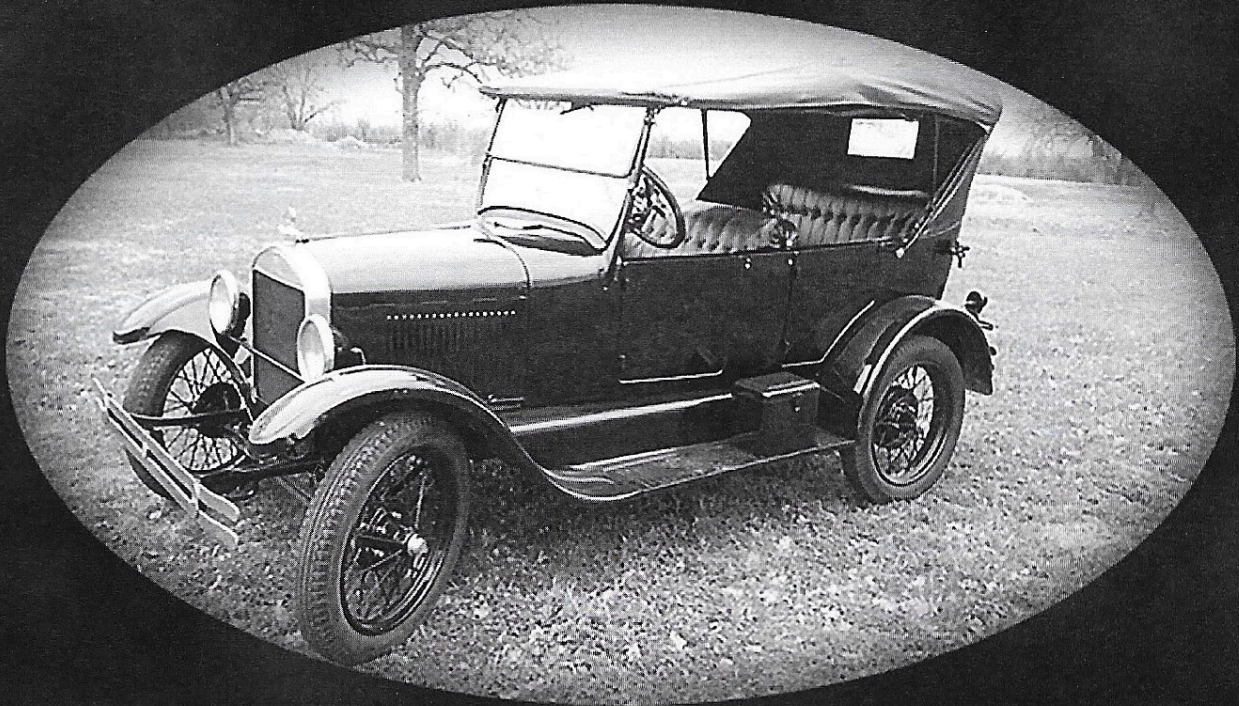
The Pioneer Flight Museum here in Kingsbury is raffling off a **real** model T !

Details are below and more are available at <https://pioneerflightmuseum.org/raffle/>

The drawing will be May 4th, 2024 at the Spring Fly-In.

Win This Car

Drawing: May 4, 2024



1927 Ford Model T Touring Car - Raffle -

Drawing will be held at the Pioneer Flight Museum "Wings & Wheels" Event at 1:00 PM

Winner need not be present to win.

Pioneer Flight Museum is a
501(c)(3) non profit
organization dedicated to the
history of aviation and
transportation.

Ticket
Price **\$50**

Ticket price is a donation to
the museum, all proceeds
will be used for the
maintenance, operation and
expansion of the museum.

Winner will be announced at the event, on our website and facebook page. Winner is responsible for all taxes, titling, licensing and any other fees associated with winning this car.

For a complete list of the rules and to buy tickets online please visit:

PioneerFlightMuseum.org/Raffle

Kingsbury Calendar

Do you have a meeting or public event that you want people to **know** about? Just let us know and we'll get it into the Kingsbury Newsletter and on the [Calendar](#) page of kingsburytexas.org!

Get in touch by replying to this email or by going to the Contact page on the Kingsbury [website](#).

It's a great way to find out what's going on around town and to let others know what meetings or events you have planned that your friends and neighbors might like to attend.

KINGSBURY CALENDAR & WEATHER

Time zone: (GMT-06:00) ▾



September 2023



Today

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27 12:00pm M...	28	29	30 Blue Moon	31	1	2
3 12:00pm Ma...	4 Labor Day	5	6	7 7:30pm KfV...	8	9 10:00am Fa...
10 12:00pm M...	11 Patriot Day	12 6:30pm P&Z...	13	14	15 First Day of ...	16 Volunteer W...
17 12:00pm M...	18 6:30pm Kin...	19	20	21	22	23 Autumnal Eq...
24 12:00pm M...	25	26	27	28	29 Full Harvest ...	30

Fall Fly-In

The Fall Wings & Wheels Fly-In at the Old Kingsbury Aerodrome is scheduled for November 11th this year.

Gates will open at 9 and there will be lots of food, classic vehicles and aircraft, displays, vendor booths, and re-enactors. You may even catch some WWI **French** patriots taking out some German soldiers in an open field battle!



WINGS & WHEELS FLY-IN NOVEMBER 11 2023 OLD KINGSBURY AERODROME

We Honor
Bessie Coleman,
American Aviator

**ANTIQUE ★ VINTAGE ★ CLASSIC
AIRCRAFT & VEHICLES!**

**FOOD TRUCKS
& OTHER VENDORS**

**LIVING HISTORY
DISPLAYS**

**FLYING & DRIVING DIRECTIONS ON WEB SITE
www.pioneerflightmuseum.org**

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DONATIONS GREATLY APPRECIATED!

190 Pershing Ln. Kingsbury, TX
(830) 639-4162



GATES OPEN 9 AM

New Store Hours

The Kingsbury Country Store has new hours. The store will now open up at 6 am!



Need some milk for the kid's breakfast cereal?



On your way to work or school and need that energy drink?



Want some coffee and a breakfast sandwich?

Come on in and get it to go or heat it up and sit at the **bar** while you eat!

Now open 6 am to 8 pm every day.





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, September 18th

at 6:30 in the Kingsbury Volunteer Fire Department fire station at 1060 FM 1104.

Items on the **agenda**:

- ★ Public Hearing on 2024 budget
- ★ Planning & Zoning Committee Report
- ★ Discuss HB2127 Super Preemption bill
 - ★ Food Sovereignty Act
- ★ City-wide rainwater collection update
- ★ Discuss SB2038 Release from ETJ bill
 - ★ Gander Slough train crossing
 - ★ SECO grants for LED lighting

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



All city commission meetings are open to the public.

Kingsbury Kids

A great picture of the kids attending the old red brick Kingsbury School. There is no information with this picture, but judging by the hats and clothes, this might have been in the 1920s.

And what an awesome assortment of **hats** there is! The girls are sporting some great hair bows, too! And the one girl decided to stand on the side for a cute pose showing her dress and little black boots.

These two little men in the front row look like Trouble with a capital "T"!



Know someone that should be on the Kingsbury Newsletter eMail List?

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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