

Kingsbury News & Information Newsletter - April 10, 2022

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News & Information Newsletter



Dear Kingsbury,

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

Tax Day

This Friday, April 15th, is Tax Day.

Tax Day is a colloquial term for the day on which individual income tax returns are due to the federal government. Income tax was first introduced in the United States of America in 1861. A rate of three percent was levied on incomes above \$800 per year and the resulting revenue was used to help fund the American Civil War effort. However, income tax was seen as unconstitutional and the law was repealed in 1872. The idea of a tax on personal income, at a rate of two percent, was reintroduced in the Revenue Act of 1894, but the legal status of this kind of tax was still unclear. In 1913, the "Sixteenth Amendment" to the Constitution of the United States was ratified. This cleared the way for the modern income tax system in the USA.

Originally, the deadline for filing federal taxes, or Tax Day, was on March 1st. However, it changed to different dates over the years. After WWI, it was moved to March 15th and eventually was changed to April 15th during the 1950s. However, if that date falls on the weekend or on a holiday, then it is extended to the next business day.



Car Truck & Tractor Show

The Second Annual Downtown Kingsbury Classic Car, Truck & Tractor Show is scheduled for Saturday, April 23rd.



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:

April 10th - Encourage a Young Writer Day, National Cinnamon Crescent Day, National Farm Animals Day, National Siblings Day

April 11th - National Barber Shop Quartet Day, National Cheese Fondue Day, National Eight Track Tape Day, National Pet Day, National Submarine Day

April 12th - National Big Wind Day, National Colorado Day, National for Twelves Day, National Grilled Cheese Sandwich Day, National Licorice Day, National Only Child Day, National Education and Sharing Day

April 13th - National Borinqueneers Day, National Make Lunch Count Day, National Peach Cobbler Day, National Scrabble Day, National Thomas Jefferson Day

April 14th - International Laverbread Day, Look Up at the Sky Day, National Dolphin Day, National Ex-Spouse Day, National Gardening Day, National Pan American Day, National Pecan Day, National Reach as High as You Can Day

April 15th - National Glazed Spiral Ham Day, National Rubber Eraser Day, National Take a Wild Guess Day, National Tax Day, National Titanic Remembrance Day, Purple Up! Day, Good Friday, National Clean Out Your Medicine Cabinet Day

April 16th - National Bean Counter Day, National Eggs Benedict Day, National Healthcare Decisions Day, National Orchid Day, National Wear Your Pajamas to Work Day, National Auctioneers Day



Lyrid Meteor Shower Starts

After a long break, meteor season is back with the annual peak of the Lyrid meteor shower this month. The first three months of most years represent a relative dry spell for night sky watchers as there's typically not much happening between the Quadrantid meteor shower in early January and the Lyrids. They signal a welcome return of the chance to venture out in the evening amid mild temperatures.

The Lyrids are set to become active in 2022 this week around April 16, according to the American Meteor Society, and they will peak before dawn on April 22nd on the evening of April 22 into the early morning hours of April 23. If you can't get out that night or the weather doesn't cooperate, one night before or after the peak is also expected to present a pretty good viewing opportunity as well.

The Lyrids don't produce a whole lot of meteors, perhaps 10 to 15 per hour, but are more likely to include bright,

dramatic **fireballs** than other major showers. Every few decades we get an outburst during the Lyrids that boosts the rate up to about 100 per hour. That's not predicted to happen in 2022, but such things are also notoriously hard to predict.

The source of the Lyrids is the debris cloud left behind by a comet named C/1861 G1 Thatcher that was last seen in the 19th century and won't pass through the inner solar system again for more than two centuries. Each year, though, our planet drifts through the dust cloud it left behind on previous visits. Little space pebbles and other bits of dust and debris collide with our atmosphere and burn up high above us, producing those fleeting little light shows so many are willing to stay up late or wake up early to catch.

This year, with a moon that will around last quarter phase at the peak of the Lyrids, it's probably best to try and see the show before dawn and after the moon has set.



Texian Forces Preparing To Fight

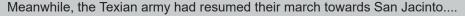
It's April 1836 and the Alamo has fallen, Colonel Fannin and his troops have been massacred at Goliad, and civilians (now joined by the widows of the Alamo and Goliad) are fleeing towards the east in the Runaway Scrape as Generalisimo Santa Anna and his Mexican army march across Texas to Harrisburg.

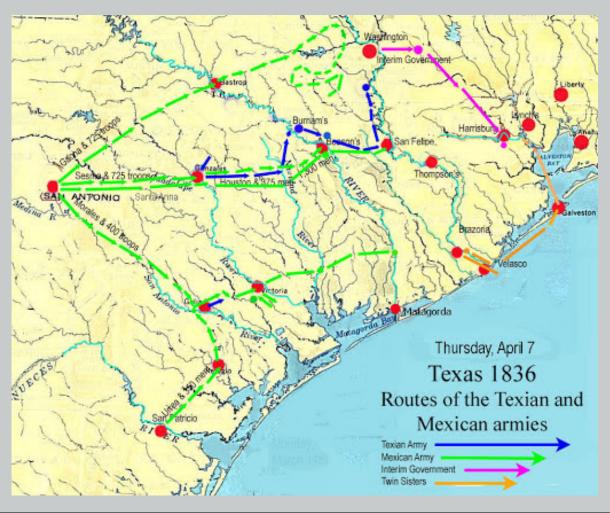
Concerned that his ill-trained and ill-disciplined force would only be good for one battle and aware that his men could easily be outflanked by Mexican forces, General Sam Houston has continued to fall back and avoid engagement, to the immense displeasure of his troops. Two companies that refused to retreat further than San Felipe were assigned to guard the crossings on the Brazos River. The Texians rested, recovered from illness, and practiced military drills. While there, two cannons, known as the Twin Sisters, arrived from Cincinnati, Ohio. Interim Secretary of War Thomas Rusk joined the camp, with orders from President David G. Burnet to replace Houston if he refused to fight.

Unable to cross the Brazos due to the small company of Texians **barricaded** at the river crossing, on April 14 a frustrated Santa Anna led a force of about 700 troops to capture the interim Texas government. Government

officials fled mere hours before Mexican troops arrived in Harrisburg (now Houston) and Santa Anna sent Colonel Juan Almonte with 50 cavalry to intercept them in New Washington. Almonte arrived just as President Burnet shoved off in a rowboat, bound for Galveston Island. Although the boat was still within range of their weapons, Almonte ordered his men to hold their fire so as not to endanger Burnet's family.

At this point, Santa Anna believed the rebellion was in its final death throes. The Texian government had been forced off the mainland, with no way to communicate with its army, which had shown no interest in fighting. He was determined to block the Texian army's retreat and put a decisive end to the war. Almonte's scouts incorrectly reported that Houston's army was going to Lynchburg Crossing on Buffalo Bayou in preparation for joining the government in Galveston, so Santa Anna ordered Harrisburg burned and pressed on towards Lynchburg and Lynch's Ferry.





Kingsbury Market

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



Downtown Kingsbury From noon to 3 Every Sunday You'll be able to pick up farm fresh eggs and produce. Handcrafted items, homemade pies, cakes, and other baked goods are usually also available.







Burn Ban And Extreme Fire Danger

There is still 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 at http://www.co.guadalupe.tx.us/



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 911.



We are, in fact, in a **Hazardous** Weather condition due to the lack of rain, low humidity, and, especially, the high winds we have been experiencing. The National Weather Service outlook says:

Hazardous Weather Outlook National Weather Service Austin/San Antonio TX

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This Hazardous Weather Outlook is for South-Central Texas..

.DAY ONE...Today And Tonight.

Critical fire weather conditions are expected today across Val Verde County and a Red Flag Warning is in effect for this area. Elsewhere across South Central Texas, elevated to near-critical fire weather conditions are expected today due to either breezy winds or low humidity.

There is a slight chance for isolated thunderstorms late this afternoon and evening. If any storms develop, a strong storm or two is possible, with small hail and gusty winds the primary threats.

.DAYS TWO THROUGH SEVEN...Monday through Saturday.

Elevated to near critical fire weather conditions are forecast on Wednesday across much of South Central Texas.



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San Marcos, Austin, Bastrop, Giddings, Brackettville, Uvalde,
Hondo, San Antonio, New Braunfels, Seguin, Lockhart, La Grange,
Eagle Pass, Crystal City, Pearsall, Pleasanton, Floresville,
Karnes City, Gonzales, Cuero, Hallettsville, and Carrizo Springs
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...Elevated to Near Critical Fire Weather Conditions Today...

Elevated to near critical fire weather conditions are forecast today due to either gusty winds in some areas or very low humidity in other areas.

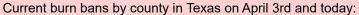
Fuel conditions remain drought stressed across much of South Central Texas. Residents are urged to exercise care with respect to any outdoor activities that could inadvertently cause wildfires.

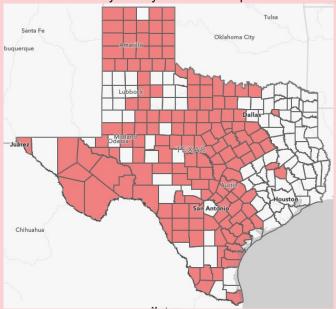
Avoid the use of welding or grinding equipment near grass and dry brush. In addition, avoid parking vehicles in tall, dry grass that could be ignited. Do not toss cigarette butts on the ground.

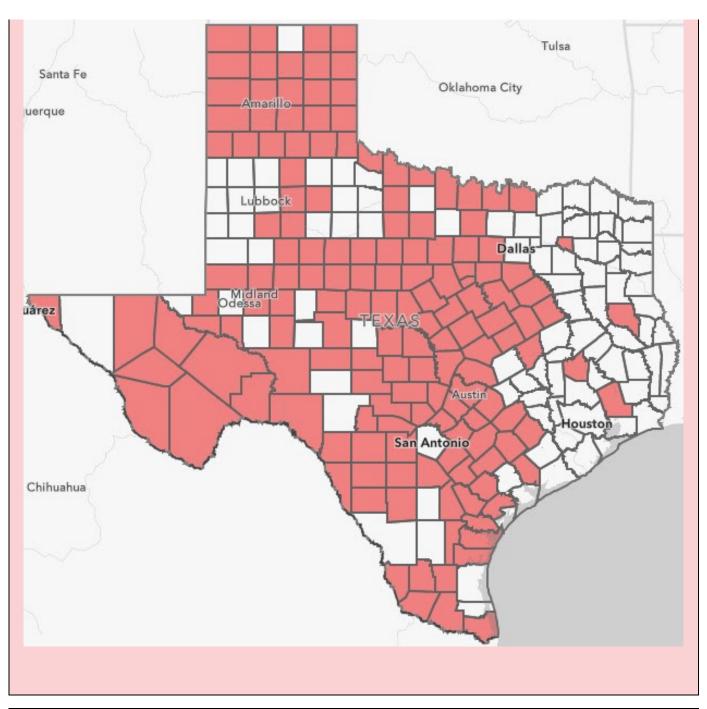
Report wildfires quickly to the nearest fire department or law enforcement office.



Of the 254 counties in Texas, there are currently 154 that have a burn ban - up from 151 last week.











June 13-17, 2022

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Full Pink Moon

This Saturday, April 16th, is the full moon in April known as the Full Pink Moon.



The Full Pink Moon heralds in the appearance of the "moss pink," or wild ground phlox—one of the first Spring flowers. It has also been known as the Grass Moon, the Egg Moon, and the Fish Moon.

These names were used by early Colonial Americans—who learned the names from the local Native Americans; time was not recorded by using the months of the Julian or Gregorian calendar. Many tribes kept track of time by observing the seasons and lunar months, although there was much variability. The name itself usually described some activity that occurred during that time in their location.

OTHER NAMES FOR THE APRIL FULL MOON

Sioux - Red Grass Appearing Moon
Shawnee - Half Moon

Dakotah Sioux - Moon When Geese Return in Scattered Formation
Cree - Gray Goose Moon
Choctaw - Moon of Blackberry and also Wildcat Moon
Cherokee - Flower Moon
Apache - Moon of the Big Leaves
Arapaho - Ice Breaking in the River Moon
Cheyenne - Moon When the Geese Lay Eggs
Comanche - New Spring Moon
Hopi - Moon of Wind Break
Mohawk - Budding Time Moon
Shoshone - Melting Moon
Zuni - Great Sand Storm Moon
Lakota - Moon When the Wife Has To Crack Bones For Marrow Fat

Colonial American - Egg Moon and also Planter's Moon Chinese - Peony Moon Celtic - Growing Moon Medieval English - Seed Moon Neo Pagan - Awakening Moon



Spring Kingsbury Independent Coming Soon!

The **Spring** edition of the *Kingsbury Independent* is coming soon! You will be able to find them at local businesses.

Remember - they're just the right price - free!

Do you have an news item or information you would like in the paper? Would you would like to advertise in the Kingsbury Independent? A business card size ad is only \$40! Need more information?

Just call (323) 546-4728 or 323-KINGSBURY.

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Titanic Hits Iceburg

This week in history, on April 14, 1912, just before midnight in the North Atlantic, the RMS Titanic fails to divert its course from an iceberg, ruptures its hull, and begins to sink.

Four days earlier, the Titanic, one of the largest and most **luxurious** ocean liners ever built, departed Southampton, England, on its maiden voyage across the Atlantic Ocean. While leaving port, the massive ship came within a couple of feet of the steamer New York but passed safely by, causing a general sigh of relief from the passengers massed on the ship's decks.

The Titanic was designed by the Irish shipbuilder William Pirrie and spanned 883 feet from stern to bow. Its hull was divided into 16 compartments that were presumed to be watertight. Because four of these compartments could be flooded without causing a critical loss of buoyancy, the Titanic was considered unsinkable. On its first journey across the highly competitive Atlantic ferry route, the ship carried some 2,200 passengers and crew. After stopping at Cherbourg, France, and Queenstown, Ireland, to pick up some final passengers, the massive vessel set out at full speed for New York City. However, just before midnight on April 14, the ship hit an iceberg, and five of the Titanic's compartments were ruptured along its starboard side. At about 2:20 a.m. on the morning of April 15, the massive vessel sank into the North Atlantic.

Because of a shortage of lifeboats and the lack of satisfactory emergency procedures, more than 1,500 people went down in the sinking ship or froze to death in the icy North Atlantic waters. Most of the approximately 700 survivors were children and women, including the unsinkable Margaret "Molly" Brown. A number of notable American and British citizens died in the tragedy, including the noted British journalist William Thomas Stead and heirs to the Straus, Astor, and Guggenheim fortunes. The announcement of details of the disaster led to outrage on both sides of the Atlantic. The sinking of the Titanic did have some positive effects, however, as more stringent safety regulations were adopted on public ships, and regular patrols were initiated to trace the locations of deadly Atlantic icebergs.

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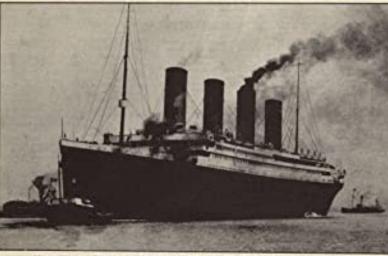
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Kingsbury Weather

Kingsbury weather for this week. You can always get the latest **weather** in Kingsbury on the Kingsbury website under <u>Calendar</u>.



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.



Farm Fresh Veggies

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Spring Fly-In

Mark your calendars! The Spring Wings & Wheels Fly-In is scheduled for Saturday, May 7th, at the Old Kingsbury Aerodrome.

There's always great music, **delicious** food, tons of sets and displays, re-enactors, and awesome antique and vintage vehicles, motorcycles, planes, and more!

Don't Miss It!



Let's Go Downtown!

It was a busy day in downtown Kingsbury in 1987!

Cars are lined up with people going to the Post Office, Ray's Cafe, and maybe the Fat Chance?

Do you recognize your car?



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.



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