
Kingsbury News & Information Newsletter - April 17, 2022

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Kingsbury Texas

News & Information Newsletter



Dear Kingsbury,

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

Easter Sunday

Today, Sunday, April 17th, is Easter Sunday.

Easter is a festival and holiday celebrating the resurrection of Jesus from the dead, described in the New Testament as having occurred on the third day of his burial after his crucifixion by the Romans at Calvary.

It's also a day known for a certain long-eared, egg laying rodent!

There's no story in the Bible about a cotton-tailed creature known as the Easter Bunny. Neither is there a passage about young children painting eggs or hunting for baskets overflowing with **scrumptious** Easter goodies.

And real rabbits certainly don't lay eggs. So why are these traditions so ingrained in Easter Sunday? And what do they have to do with the resurrection of Jesus?

Well, nothing.

Bunnies, eggs, Easter gifts and fluffy, yellow chicks in gardening hats all stem from pagan roots. They were incorporated into the celebration of Easter separately from the Christian tradition of honoring the day Jesus Christ rose from the dead. According to University of Florida's Center for Children's Literature and Culture, the origin of

the celebration — and the Easter bunny — can be traced back to 13th century, pre-Christian Germany, when people worshiped several gods and goddesses. The Teutonic deity Eostra was the goddess of spring and fertility, and feasts were held in her honor on the Vernal Equinox. Her symbol was the rabbit because of the animal's high reproduction rate.

Spring also symbolized new life and rebirth; eggs were an ancient symbol of fertility. According to History.com, Easter eggs represent Jesus' resurrection. However, this association came much later when Roman Catholicism became the dominant religion in Germany in the 15th century and merged with already ingrained pagan beliefs. The first Easter bunny legends were documented in the 1500s. By 1680, the first story about a rabbit laying eggs and hiding them in a garden was published. These legends were brought to the United States in the 1700s when German immigrants settled in Pennsylvania Dutch country, according to the University of Florida's Center for Children.

The tradition of making nests for the rabbit to lay its eggs soon followed. Eventually, nests became decorated baskets and colorful eggs were swapped for candy, treats and other small gifts.



Tax Day

This Monday, April 18th, is Tax Day. Since April 15th, the typical Tax Day, fell on Good Friday **holiday**, the due date for filing your taxes is moved to the Monday this year.



Car Truck & Tractor Show

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

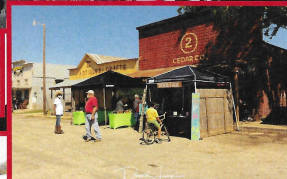
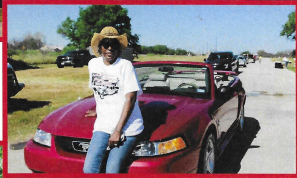
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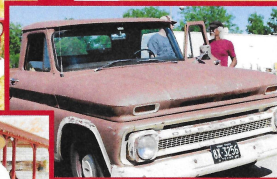
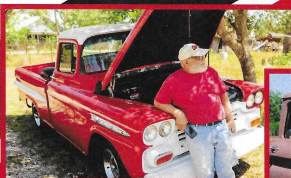


Donations goes to Kingsbury
Community Development Fund

SATURDAY
APRIL 23, 2022
9 - 3 PM



Fun for the whole family!



Town Yard Sale • Market Booth • Old Fashion Cake Walk

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 17th - International Bat Appreciation Day, National Cheeseball Day, National Crawfish Day, National Ellis Island Family History Day, National Haiku Poetry Day, Easter

April 18th - National Animal Crackers Day, National Columnists' Day, National Lineman Appreciation Day

April 19th - National Amaretto Day, National Garlic Day, National Hanging Out Day, National North Dakota Day, National Oklahoma City Bombing Commemoration Day

April 20th - National Cheddar Fries Day, National Lima Bean Respect Day, National Look Alike Day, National Pineapple Upside Down Cake Day, National Banana Day

April 21st - National Chocolate Covered Cashews Day, National Kindergarten Day, National Yellow Bat Day, Get to Know Your Customers Day, National High Five Day

April 22nd - National Earth Day, National Girl Scout Leader's Day, National Jelly Bean Day, National Donate Life Blue & Green Day, National Day of Silence

April 23rd - National Cherry Cheesecake Day, National Lost Dogs Awareness Day, National Picnic Day, National Take a Chance Day, National Talk Like Shakespeare Day, Celebrate Trails Day, National Record Store Day



Battle of San Jacinto

This week in Texas history saw the fall of the Mexican army at San Jacinto and the birth of the Republic of Texas.

It is April 19th, 1836, and from two prisoners captured by Erasmus "Deaf" Smith, the famous Texas spy, General Sam Houston first learned that the Mexican army had burned Harrisburg and had gone down the west side of Buffalo Bayou and of the San Jacinto River, and that Santa Anna in person was in command. In his march downstream Santa Anna had been forced to cross the bridge over Vince's Bayou, a tributary of Buffalo Bayou, then out of its banks. He would have to cross the same bridge to return. Viewing this strategic situation on the morning of the 19th, Houston told his troops it looked as if they would soon get action. And he admonished them to remember the massacres at San Antonio and at Goliad. "Remember the Alamo!" The soldiers took up the cry. "Remember Goliad!" (Thomas J. Rusk, Secretary of War, and other Texans who were in the battle said the

battle cry was 'Remember the Alamo' 'Remember La Bahia!')

It was discovered at about nine o'clock on April 20th that General Martin Perfecto de Cos (Santa Anna's brother-in-law) had crossed Vince's Bridge with some 540 troops, swelling the enemy forces to about 1265. General Houston ordered "Deaf" Smith and a detail to destroy the bridge and prevent further enemy reinforcements. This also would prevent the retreat of either the Texans or the Mexicans toward Harrisburg. In dry weather Vince's Bayou was about fifty feet wide and ten feet deep, but the excessive April rains had made it several times wider and deeper.

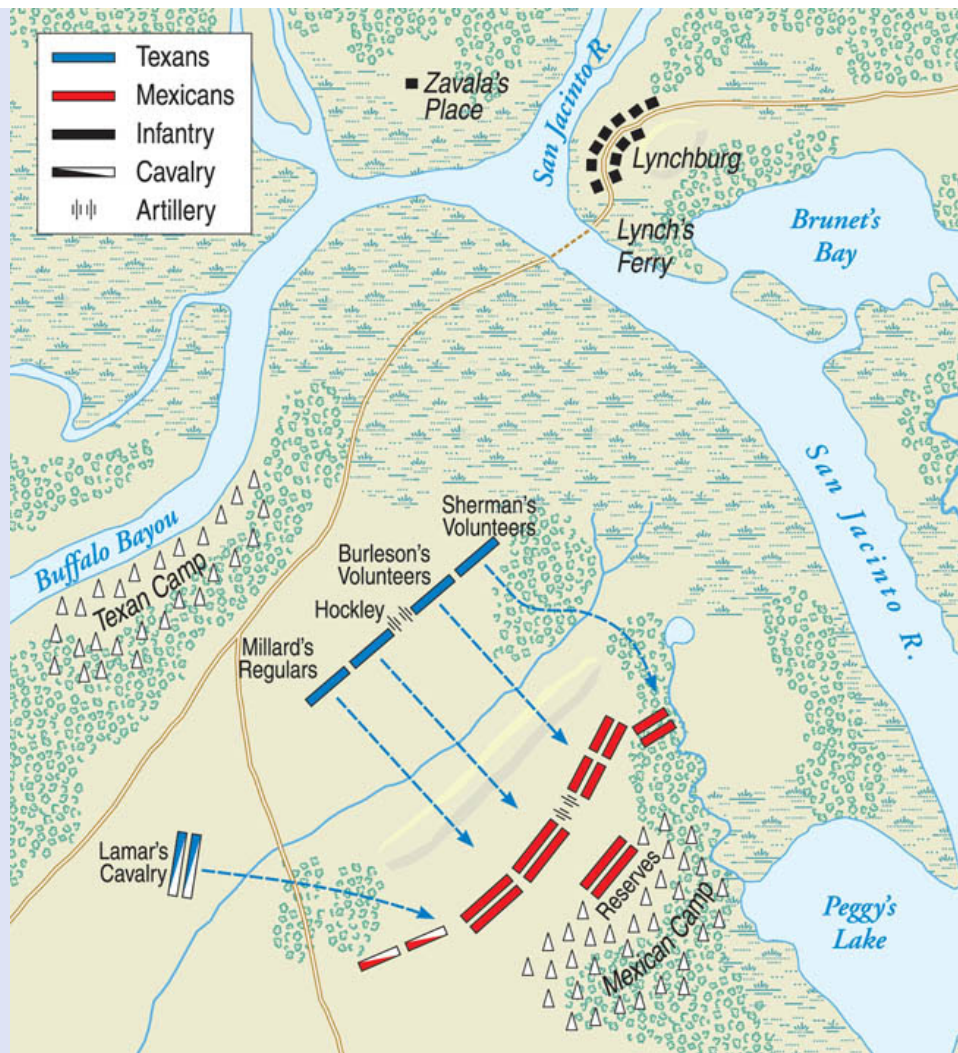
It is now about 3:30 in the afternoon of April 21st. Over on the Mexican side all was quiet; many of the foe were enjoying their customary siesta. The Texans' movements were screened by the trees and the rising ground, and evidently Santa Anna had no lookouts posted. Big, shaggy and commanding in his **mud-stained** un-military garb, Sam Houston rode his horse up and down the line. "Now hold your fire, men," he warned in his deep voice, "until you get the order!" At the command, "Advance," the patriots, 910 strong, moved quickly out of the woods and over the rise. Bearded and ragged from forty days in the field, they were a fierce-looking band. But their long rifles were clean and well oiled. Only one company, Captain William Wood's "Kentucky Rifles," wore uniforms. Silently and tensely the Texas battle line swept across the prairie and swale that was No Man's Land, the men bending low. A soldier's fife piped up with "Will You Come to the Bower," a popular tune of the day. That was the only music of the battle. As the troops advanced, "Deaf" Smith galloped up and told Houston, "Vince's Bridge has been cut down." The General announced it to the men. Now both armies were cut off from retreat.

Two little cannon known to history as the "Twin Sisters," a gift from citizens of Cincinnati, Ohio, were drawn by rawhide thongs, wheeled into position, and suddenly belched their charges of iron slugs into the unsuspecting enemy barricade. Then the whole line sprang forward on the run, yelling, "Remember the Alamo!" "Remember Goliad!" All together they opened fire, blazing away practically point-blank at the surprised and panic-stricken Mexicans.

The casualties, according to Houston's official report, numbered 630 Mexicans killed, 208 wounded, and 730 taken prisoner. Against this heavy score, only nine Texans were killed or mortally wounded, and thirty wounded less seriously. Most of their injuries came from the first scattered Mexican volley when the attackers stormed their barricade. General Houston rode slowly from the field of victory, his ankle shattered by a rifle ball. At the foot of the oak where he had slept the previous night he fainted and slid from his horse into the arms of Major Hockley, his chief of staff.

Santa Anna had disappeared during the battle, and next day General Houston ordered a thorough search of the surrounding territory for him. In the afternoon Sergeant J. A. Sylvester spotted a Mexican slipping through the woods toward Vince's Bayou. Sylvester and his comrades caught the fugitive, wearing a common soldier's uniform, trying to hide in the high grass. They took the captive to camp, and on the way, Mexican prisoners recognized him and cried, "El Presidente!" Thus his identity was betrayed; it was indeed the dictator from below the Rio Grande. He was brought to General Houston, who lay under the headquarters oak, nursing his wounded foot. The Mexican President pompously announced, "I am General Antonio Lopez de Santa Anna, and a prisoner of war at your disposition." General Houston, suffering with pain, received him coldly. Santa Anna cringed with fright as the excited Texas soldiers pressed around him. Fearing mob violence, he pleaded for the treatment due a prisoner of war. "You can afford to be generous," he whined; "you have captured the Napoleon of the West." "What claim have you to mercy?" Houston retorted, "when you showed none at the Alamo or at Goliad?" They talked for nearly two hours, and in the end Santa Anna agreed to write an order commanding all Mexican troops to evacuate Texas.

Thus ended the revolution of 1836, with an eighteen-minute battle which established Texas as a free republic and opened the way for the United States to extend its boundaries to the Rio Grande on the southwest and to the Pacific on the west. Few military engagements in history have been more decisive or of more far-reaching ultimate influence than the battle of San Jacinto.





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 In Effect

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.



Of the 254 counties in Texas, there are currently 150 that have a burn ban - that is down slightly from 154 last week.



Vacation Bible School

"SPARK STUDIOS"

June 13-17, 2022

CREATED IN CHRIST, DESIGNED FOR GOD'S PURPOSE

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Vacation Bible School

5:30 PM – 8:00 PM

Kingsbury Baptist Church

6901 FM 2438

Kingsbury, Tx 78638

(830) 639-4671



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 a 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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## 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](#)

## Farm Fresh Veggies

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## Spring Fly-In

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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!***





# WINGS & WHEELS FLY-IN MAY 7, 2022



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&  
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## Kingsbury Graduates

Now that we are heading into the graduation season, here's a great picture of some **graduates** of the Kingsbury High School, Class of 1937.

Left to right are: Viola Kluth, Irma Donsbach, Cora Glenewinkel, and Jane Imhoff.



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**Thanks!**

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