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News & Information Newsletter



Dear Kingsbury,

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

Father's Day

Today, Sunday, June 16th, is Father's Day - a celebration honoring fathers and celebrating fatherhood, paternal bonds, and the influence of fathers in society. Many countries celebrate it on the third Sunday of June, though it is also celebrated widely on other days by many other countries.

On July 5, 1908, a West Virginia church sponsored the nation’s first event explicitly in honor of fathers, a Sunday sermon in memory of the 362 men who had died in the previous December’s **explosions** at the Fairmont Coal Company mines in Monongah, but it was a one-time commemoration and not an annual holiday.

The next year, a Spokane, Washington woman named Sonora Smart Dodd, one of six children raised by a widower, tried to establish an official equivalent to Mother’s Day for male parents. She went to local churches, the YMCA, shopkeepers and government officials to drum up support for her idea, and she was successful: Washington State celebrated the nation’s first statewide Father’s Day on July 19, 1910. Slowly, the holiday spread. In 1916, President Wilson honored the day by using telegraph signals to unfurl a flag in Spokane when he pressed a button in Washington, D.C. In 1924, President Calvin Coolidge urged state governments to observe Father’s Day.

In 1966, President Lyndon B. Johnson issued the first presidential proclamation honoring fathers, designating the third Sunday in June as Father’s Day. Six years later, the day was made a permanent national holiday when President Richard Nixon signed it into law in 1972.

Happy Father's Day!



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Pot Luck and Night Market

This year's Strawberry Moon is full on the evening of the Summer Solstice. To **celebrate**, Habitable Spaces is hosting a Potluck Feast and Night Market in downtown Kingsbury at 7461 Kingsbury Road.

This fun event will be June 21st from 6 pm to 11 pm and you can RSVP at <https://www.habitablespaces.org/>.



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:

June 16th - National Turkey Lovers' Day, Father's Day, National Fudge Day, National Mascot Day

June 17th - National Cherry Tart Day, National Apple Strudel Day, National Eat Your Vegetables Day, National Root Beer Day

June 18th - National Wanna Get Away Day, National Splurge Day, National Go Fishing Day

June 19th - World Sauntering Day, Juneteenth, National Watch Day, National FreeBSD Day, National Garfield The Cat Day

June 20th - National Seashell Day, National Hike With A Geek Day, Summer Begins, National Kouign Amann Day, National Ice Cream Soda Day, Anne And Samantha Day, National Vanilla Milkshake Day, National American Eagle Day

June 21st - National Wagyu Day, National Smoothie Day, National Arizona Day, National Day Of The Gong, National Take Your Dog To Work Day, National Selfie Day, Go Skateboarding Day, National Daylight Appreciation Day, National Peaches 'N' Cream Day

June 22nd - International Being You Day, National Kissing Day, Summersgiving, National HVAC Tech Day, National Onion Rings Day, National Chocolate Eclair 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, June 17th

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

Items on the **agenda**:

- ★ Community Development Block Grant
- ★ Kingsbury Development Committee reportstation
- ★ Kingsbury waste transfer station
- ★ Interlocal agreement on subdivision regulation
- ★ Citizen's Bill Of Rights
- ★ Plans for CLFRF grant funds

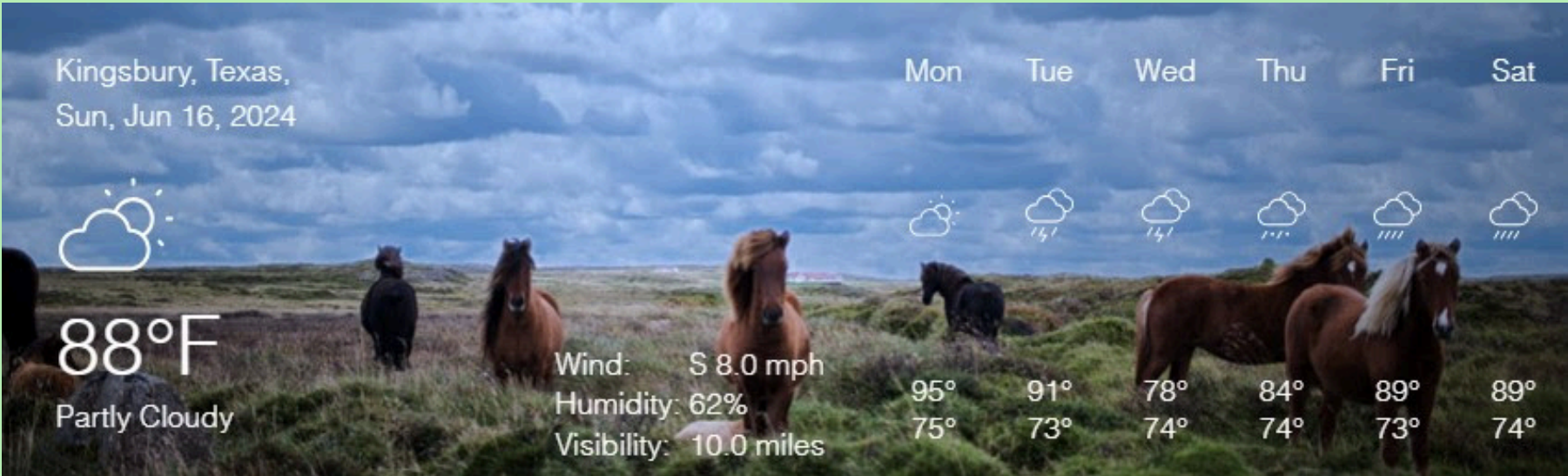
You can always find the meetings in the Kingsbury Calendar on the [website](#).

All city commission meetings are open to the public.



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](#)

First Day of Summer

This Thursday, June 20th, is the first day of Summer! In our Central time zone, Summer actually doesn't start until 3:50 p.m. Kingsbury time Thursday afternoon so enjoy the last of Spring until then!

This is only the “summer” solstice in the Northern Hemisphere. It is the winter solstice in the Southern Hemisphere. The timing of the solstice depends on when the Sun reaches its **northernmost** point from the equator. The word solstice is from the Latin *solstitium*, from *sol* (sun) and *stitium* (to stop), reflecting the fact that the Sun appears to stop at this time (and again at the winter solstice).

In temperate regions, we notice that the Sun is higher in the sky throughout the day, and its rays strike Earth at a more direct angle, causing the efficient warming we call summer.

This summer solstice is the day with the most hours of sunlight during the whole year. At the winter solstice, just the opposite occurs: The Sun is at its southernmost point and is low in the sky. Its rays hit the Northern Hemisphere at an oblique angle, creating the feeble winter sunlight.

Question: Why isn't the summer solstice—the longest day of the year—also the hottest day of the year?

Answer: Earth's atmosphere, land, and oceans absorb part of the incoming energy from the Sun and store it, releasing it back as heat at various rates. Water is slower to heat (or cool) than air or land. At the summer solstice, the Northern Hemisphere receives the most energy (highest intensity) from the Sun due to the angle of sunlight and day length. However, the land and oceans are still relatively cool, due to spring's temperatures, so the maximum heating effect on air temperature is not felt just yet. Eventually, the land and, especially, oceans will release stored heat from the summer solstice back into the atmosphere. This usually results in the year's hottest temperatures appearing in late July, August, or later, depending on latitude and other factors. This effect is called seasonal temperature lag.

Fun Facts

- ☀️ In Sweden, people celebrate the Summer Solstice by eating the first strawberries of the season.
- ☀️ In ancient Egypt, summer was the start of the new year. The rising of the star Sirius roughly coincided with the summer solstice and the annual flooding of the Nile River.



SUMMER SOLSTICE FOLKLORE

☀️ *Deep snow in winter, tall grain in summer. –Estonian proverb*

When the summer birds take their flight, goes the summer with them. ☀️

☀️ *If it rains on Midsummer's Eve, the filbert crops will be spoiled. –Unknown*

One swallow never made a summer. ☀️

☀️ *Easterly winds from May 19 to the 21 indicate a dry summer.*

If there are many falling stars during a clear summer evening, expect thunder. If there are none, expect fine weather. ☀️



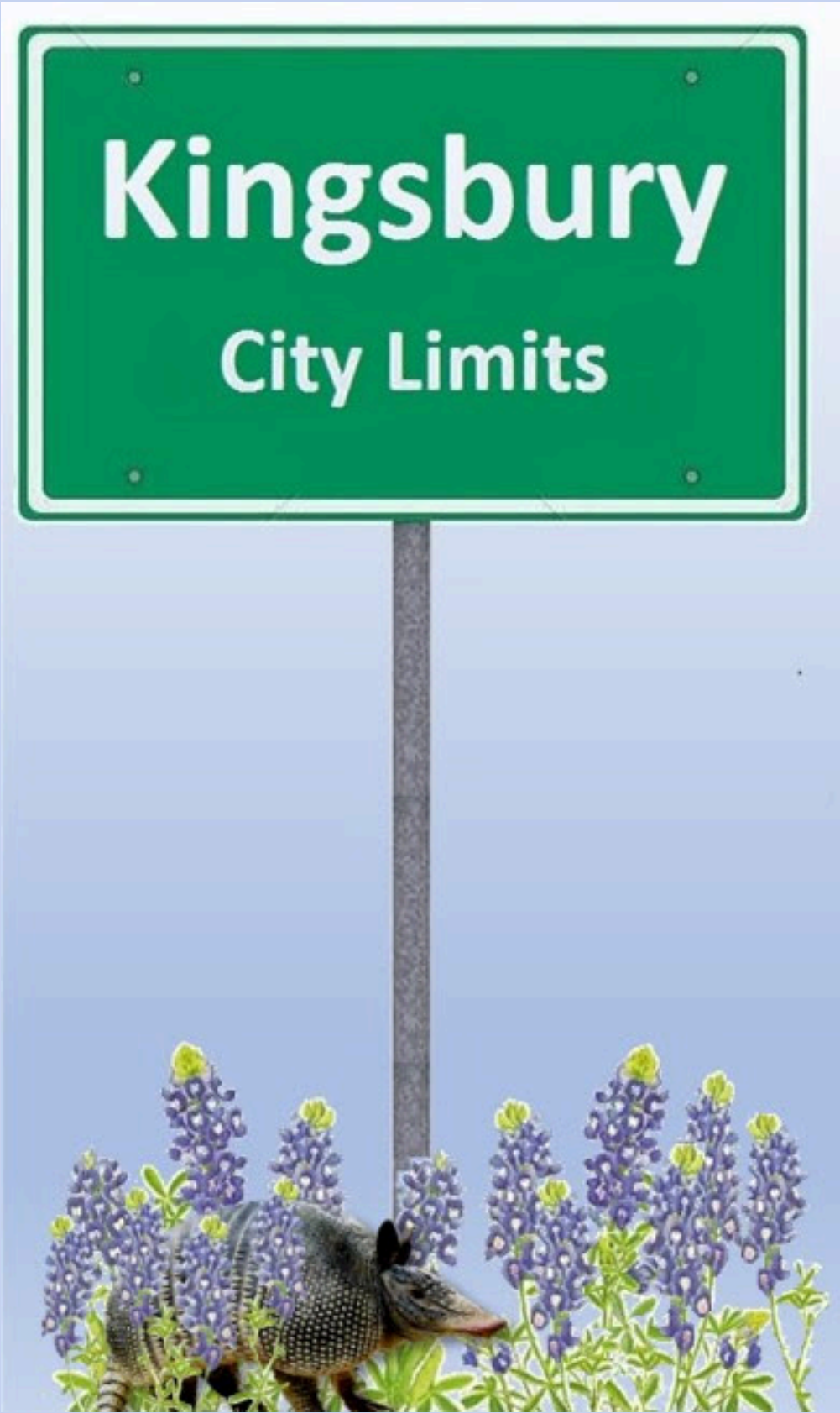
Kingsbury City Limits

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 out 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!



The Whites Of Their Eyes

British General William Howe lands his troops on the Charlestown Peninsula overlooking Boston, Massachusetts, and leads them against Breed’s Hill, a fortified American position just below Bunker Hill, this week in American history on June 17, 1775.

As the British advanced in columns against the Americans, American General William Prescott reportedly told his men, “Don’t one of you fire until you see the whites of their eyes!” When the **Redcoats** were within 40 yards, the Americans let loose with a lethal barrage of musket fire, throwing the British into retreat. After reforming his lines, Howe attacked again, with much the same result. Prescott’s men were now low on ammunition, though, and when Howe led his men up the hill for a third time, they reached the redoubts and engaged the Americans in hand-to-hand combat. The outnumbered Americans were forced to retreat. However, by the end of the engagement, the Patriots’ gunfire had cut down nearly 1,000 enemy troops, including 92 officers. Of the 370 Patriots who fell, most were struck while in retreat.

The British had won the so-called Battle of Bunker Hill, and Breed’s Hill and the Charlestown Peninsula fell firmly under British control. Despite losing their strategic positions, the battle was a morale-builder for the Americans, convincing them that patriotic dedication could overcome superior British military might.

The British entered the Battle of Bunker Hill overconfident. Had they merely guarded Charlestown Neck, they could have isolated the Patriots with little loss of life. Instead, Howe had chosen to try to wipe out the Yankees by marching 2,400 men into a frontal assault on the Patriots’ well-defended position on top of the hill. The British would never make the same mistake again.



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)

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Today

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
26	27 Memorial Day	28	29	30	31	1 Hurricane Se... First Day of L...
2	3 Community ...	4	5	6 KVFD Auxilia... KFVD Fire Fi...	7 90 on 90	8 90 on 90 Volunteer Wo...
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KVFD Bar-B-Q And Raffle

We are gearing up for the KVFD Bar-B-Q Fundraiser on July 27th!

This is the annual benefit Bar-B-Q which is the primary fundraiser for the Fire Department, and held each year on the last Saturday in July.

CallThere will be great food and homemade desserts, Raffle for great prizes, games for the kids, Country Store, Live Auction, amusements, Silent Auction, and then a fee Dance Under The Stars

Bar-B-Q plates are \$15 for adults and children and include delicious smoked beef and the Auxiliary's world famous potato salad! Eat there and get a couple to go!

The KVFD and Auxiliary will be getting together a great group of volunteers to help pull off this event. They will need people to work the serving lines, and to donate items to the Live Auction, the Silent Auction, and the Country Store. Bring a dessert, slice up meat, cook potatoes, there's so much that you can do! Volunteer and be part of a great organization and a great group of people!

Contact kingsburyvfd.aux@gmail.com for more information.



Full Strawberry Moon

This Friday, June 21st, is the Full Strawberry Moon.

June's Full Strawberry Moon got its name because the Algonquin tribes knew it as a signal to gather ripening fruit. In Europe, strawberries aren't **native** and it was known as the Full Rose Moon. Europeans also often called it the Honey Moon because its position is low in the sky (in our hemisphere at least) and the earth's atmosphere can give it a warm tint.

JUNE MOON FOLKLORE



A growing Moon and a flowing tide are lucky times to marry.



Days following both the New and Full Moons are most likely to be rainy or stormy.



Crabbing, shrimping, and clamming are best when the Moon is full.

Other names for the June full moon:

Algonquin tribes - Strawberry Moon or Moon When They Hill Indian Corn

Arapaho - Moon When the Buffalo Bellows

Cherokee - Green Corn Moon

Choctaw - Moon of Peach

Comanche - Leaf Moon

Wishram - Fish Spoils Easily Moon

Creek - Blackberry Moon

Hopi - Moon of Planting

Lakota - Moon When the Berries Are Good

Mohawk - Ripening Time Moon

Omaha - Moon When The Buffalo Bulls Hunt the Cows

Algonquin - Moon When They Hill Indian Corn

Ponca - Hot Weather Begins Moon

Pueblo - Moon When the Leaves Are Dark Green

Cree - Moon When Leaves Come Out

Tlingit - Birth Moon

Shawnee - Raspberry Moon

Zuni - Turning Moon

Shoshone - Summer Starting Moon

Sioux - Strawberry Moon

Dakotah Sioux - Moon When June Berries Are Ripe

Haida - Berries Ripen Moon

Potawatomi (Great Lakes) - Moon Of The Turtle

Celtic - Moon of Horses

Chinese - Lotus Moon

Colonial American - Rose Moon

Neo-Pagan - Planting Moon

English Medieval - Dyan Moon

Europeans - the Rose Moon



Formal Event

This picture has no names or information attached. It looks like either a wedding or a prom at the old Kingsbury School. I think it may be a prom since the girl in the center is holding a **scepter** like a queen - a Prom Queen. But that is a long white dress with a train that looks an awful lot like a wedding dress.

I go back and forth on this one!

In either event, it appears to be in the gymnasium of the old school and they've made a nice curtain backdrop for pictures. Everyone is dressed beautifully and the gentlemen all have flowers in their lapels. It looks like it was a wonderful event!



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](http://www.kingsburytexas.org), 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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