

Kingsbury News & Information Newsletter - November 26, 2023

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News & Information Newsletter



Dear Kingsbury,

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

Here Comes December

Now that Thanksgiving is past, this week sees the first days of December!

December is the twelfth and last month of the year in the Julian and Gregorian Calendars. It is the seventh and last month to have the length of 31 days.

December got its name from the Latin word *decem* (meaning ten) because it was originally the tenth month of the year in the Roman calendar, which began in March. The **winter** days following December were not included as part of any month. Later, the months of January and February were created out of the monthless period and added to the beginning of the calendar, but December retained its name.



The zodiac signs for the month of December are



Sagittarius (until December 21)



Capricorn (December 22 onward)



December's birth flower is the narcissus

which symbolizes good wishes, faithfulness and respect.



Holly and the paperwhite



- a relative of the daffodil with lovely white blooms - are also flowers for those born in December.

December's traditional birthstone is the turquoise



It is considered a symbol of good fortune and success.





Zircon and tanzanite are also considered to be December birthstones.



Month-long observances in December:

International Sharps Injury Prevention Awareness Month Learn a Foreign Language Month **National Car Donation Month** National Pear Month Bingo's Birthday Month National Drunk & Drugged Driving (3D) Prevention Month National Human Rights Month National Tie Month National Write A Business Plan Month Operation Santa Paws (1-24) Root Vegetables and Exotic Fruits Month Safe Toys and Gifts Month Spiritual Literacy Month Universal Human Rights Month Worldwide Food Service Safety Month



DECEMBER 2023 LONG RANGE WEATHER FORECAST FOR TEXAS & OKLAHOMA

Winter will be colder than normal north and warmer south, with the coldest periods in early and late December, early and late January and mid-February. Precipitation and snow will be above normal.

Dec 1-5 Sunny, very cold

Dec 6-10 Sunny north, showers south, chilly

Dec 11-18 Sunny, mild

Dec 19-22 Showers, warm

Dec 23-31 Rainy periods, some snow north, quite cold

December

Temperature: 48° (3° belowavg.)

Precipitation: 2.5" (1" below avg. north, 1" above south)



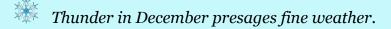
The Geminid meteor shower, typically the strongest meteor shower of the year, is officially active now in the night skies. The Geminids can deliver over a hundred meteors per hour during peak nights. It's also the rare shower that doesn't require you to wake up at atrocious hours before sunrise for the best viewing experience.

In 2023, the shower is active from Nov. 19 until Dec. 24, peaking on the evening of Dec. 13 into the following morning. A young waxing crescent moon will not interfere with the Geminids in 2023. Under a dark sky with no moon, you might catch 120 meteors per hour!

The Geminids are the rare meteor shower that don't seem to be traced to an active comet that makes intermittent visits to the inner solar system spaced out by several years or longer. Instead, the source seems to be the asteroid 3200 Phaethon, which astronomers think may be an extinct comet or new kind of object called a "rock comet," according to NASA. Whatever it is, the pieces of debris and detritus that have broken away from Phaethon over the years form dusty clouds that are more dense than what most comets leave behind. This explains why the Geminids are consistently one of the stronger annual showers. Each December we drift through the most dense part of this cloud and hundreds or thousands of bits roughly the size of a pebble burn up as they collide with our upper atmosphere.

While it's best to mark the peak night on your calendar, it's possible to catch a few meteors an hour right now, especially as other showers like the Leonids and Taurids are still active. The early evening hours are the best times to see a bright "earth-grazer," which is nickname for a brilliant fireball that appears to flame out spectacularly just above the horizon.







A green Christmas, a white Easter.



As the days lengthen, so the cold strengthens.



If it rains much during the twelve days after Christmas, it will be a wet year.



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:

November 26th - National Secondhand Day, National Cake Day

November 27th - National Craft Jerky Day, National Bavarian Cream Pie Day, Cyber Monday

November 28th - National Alan Day, National Red Planet Day, National Day of Giving, National French Toast Day

November 29th - National Package Protection Day, National Electronics Greetings Day

November 30th - National Personal Space Day, National Mississippi Day, National Mason Jar Day, National Mousse Day, National Stay Home Because You're Well Day, National Methamphetamine Awareness Day, National Computer Security Day

December 1st - National Pie Day, Antarctica Day, National Bartender Day, National Eat a Red Apple Day, Faux Fur Friday, World AIDS Day, Rosa Parks Day, Day Without Art, Bifocals at the Monitor Liberation Day

December 2nd - National Play Outside Day, National Fritters Day, SKYWARN Recognition Day, National Mutt Day, National Special Education Day, International Day for the Abolition of Slavery

























Full Beaver Moon

This week will be the full moon known as the Full Beaver Moon.

The full Moon crests on Monday, November 27th at 3:16 a.m. Kingsbury time. Of course, it will be very close to full the night before, so plan to look for it starting on Sunday, November 26th, just after sunset!

November's full Moon was called the Beaver Moon by both the colonists and the Algonquin tribes because this was the time to set beaver traps before the **swamps** froze, to ensure a supply of warm winter furs. It's also when beavers become particularly active - building their winter dams in preparation for the cold season.

The November full Moon has also been called the Frost Moon and the Freezing Moon. Judging by the chilly weather that becomes more and more common at this time of year, it's not hard to understand how these names came about! Another name, the Digging (or Scratching) Moon, evokes an image of animals **scratching** at the fallen leaves, foraging for fallen nuts or remaining shoots of green foliage—with the implication that winter is on its way.

Some of the other names for the November full moon are:

Colonial American - Beaver Moon Chinese - White Moon Celtic - Dark Moon Medieval English - Snow Moon

Arapaho - Moon When the Rivers Start To Freeze Cheyenne - Deer Rutting Moon Algonquin - Much White Frost On Grass Moon Mohawk - Time Of Much Poverty Moon Choctaw - Moon of the Panther Winnebago - Little Bear's Moon Comanche - Heading to Winter Moon
Hopi - Moon of Fledgling Hawk
Pueblo - Moon When All Is Gathered In
Kalapuya (Pacific NW) - Moving Inside For Winter Moon
Abenaki - Freezing River Maker Moon
Shawnee - Long Moon
Tlingit (Pacific NW coast) - Scraping Moon
Lakota - Moon When Winter Begins
Wishram - Snowy Mountains In The Morning Moon
Potawatomi (Great Lakes) - Moon Of The Turkey
Sioux - Falling Leaves Moon
Cherokee - Trading Moon
Shoshone - Cold Moon
Choctaw - Sassafras Moon
Dakotah Sioux - Moon When Horns Are Broken Off

MOON FACTS

Did you know: The spin-time of the Moon on its own axis is identical to the time it takes the Moon to revolve around Earth, which is why the Moon always keeps almost exactly the same face toward us.

How much would you weigh on the Moon? Just multiply your weight (it doesn't matter if it's in pounds or kilograms) by 0.165. You'd weigh about 80 percent less!

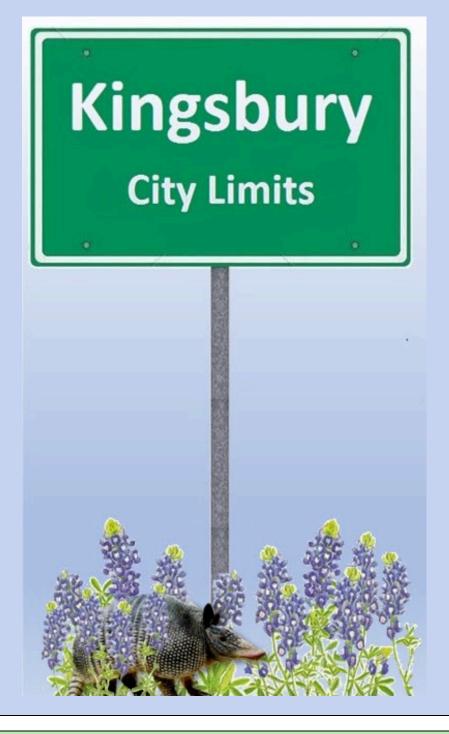


Kingsbury City Limits

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 <u>website</u> 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!



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.



Thrift Store Grand Opening

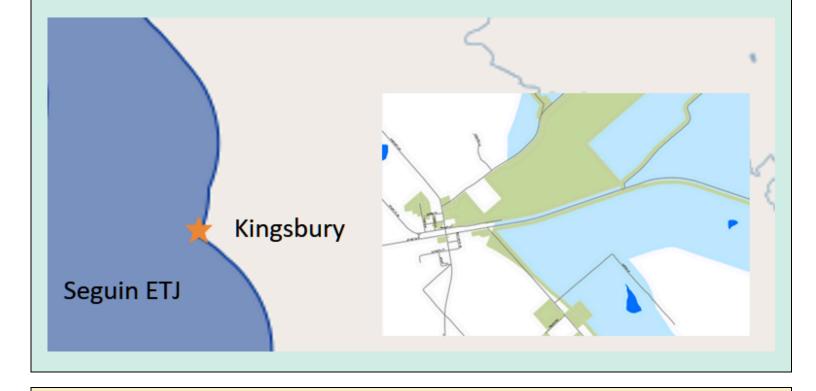


Release From Seguin ETJ

If you live in the Kingsbury area west of FM1104, there is a good chance that you are in the extraterritorial jurisdiction (ETJ) of Seguin. An ETJ is a designated buffer area located outside of city limits used as a method of defining potential growth and the land in an ETJ is **controlled** by certain city laws. Seguin has even defined their future "outer loop" as coming up FM2438 into Kingsbury.

The City of Kingsbury continues to fight against the Seguin ETJ and, as of September 1st this year, landowners were handed a way to help do this. Senate Bill SB2038 became law and now any landowner can just petition a city to be removed from their ETJ. The form is simple and a city has no choice by law but to grant the release.

Forms, information, and assistance are available at the Kingsbury Country Store on Railway Street. The forms will also be available on the <u>Kingsbury website</u> soon.



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 <u>Calendar</u> page of <u>kingsburytexas.org!</u>

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.

Time zone: (GM	T-06:00) ∨	<	November 2023	>		Today
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29 12:00pm M + 2	30	31 Halloween 5:30pm Tru	1 First Day of	2 6:00pm KVF 7:30pm KFV	3	4 Volunteer W
5 Daylight Savi 12:00pm Ma	6	7 Election Day	8	9	10 Veterans Day	11 Fall Festival + 4
12 12:00pm M	13	14 6:30pm P&Z	15	16	17	18
19 12:00pm M	20 6:30pm Kin	21	22	23 Thanksgiving	24 Native Ameri	25
26 12:00pm M	27 Full Beaver	28	29	30	1	2

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Holiday Dinners







HAMS, TURKEYS, & BRISKET SMOKED FOR THE HOLIDAYS

John Bohannon Cell 210-269-1108

Turkeys Mesquite Smoked 15# average \$75

Hams Mesquite Smoked & Honey Basted 6-10# average \$70 - \$85

Brisket
Full Briskets \$15.00 per cooked pound



Days Till Christmas Countdown



Allen Store & Saloon

A picture taken in front of the Allen Store & Saloon in Kingsbury. Left to right is C. H. Harris, Jep Dibrell, Britt Harris, Rob Conley, and little girl (unknown) in front.

The sign on the building just to the right of the stairs seems to say "Fresh Butter". I guess you could stop by and get a shot of **whiskey** and a pound of fresh butter - one stop shopping!



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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.



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