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Kingsbury Texas

News & Information Newsletter



Dear Kingsbury,

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

Disaster Assistance

FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency) representatives were in town this week to offer assistance to anyone affected by recent storms.

If your household suffered **damages** between April 26th and June 5th this year from "severe storms, straight-line winds, tornadoes, and flooding", you can go to [DisasterAssistance.gov](https://disasterassistance.gov) to see about assistance. You can also download the FEMA app on your phone, or call FEMA at 800-621-3362.

This time range includes the May 9th storms that did so much damage around here.



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 23rd - National Detroit-Style Pizza Day, National Hydration Day, National Pecan Sandies Day, National Pink Day

June 24th - National Patch Day, National Take Back The Lunch Break Day, National Pralines Day

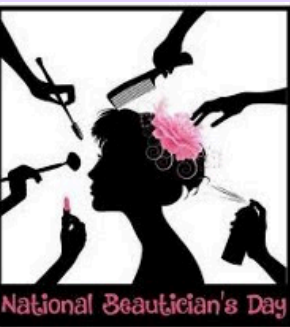
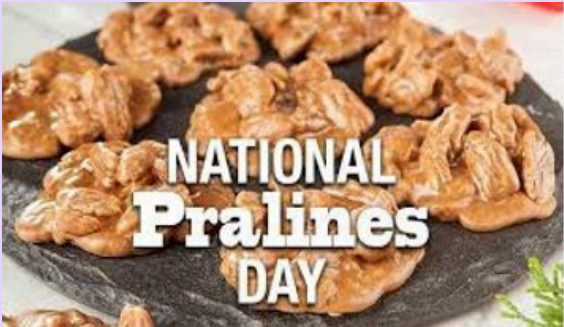
June 25th - National Strawberry Parfait Day, National Leon Day, National Catfish Day

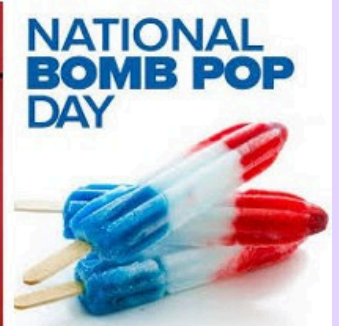
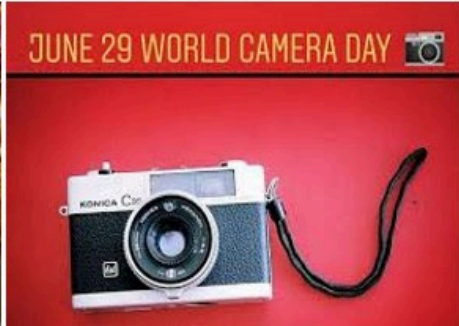
June 26th - National Barcode Day, National Coconut Day, National Parchment Day, National Chocolate Pudding Day, National Beautician's Day

June 27th - National Sunglasses Day, National Onion Day, National Ice Cream Cake Day, National PTSD Awareness Day, National Handshake Day, National Orange Blossom Day, National Bomb Pop Day, National HIV Testing Day

June 28th - National Logistics Day, National Alaska Day, National Insurance Awareness Day, National Paul Bunyan Day

June 29th - National Almond Buttercrunch Day, National Waffle Iron Day, National Camera Day





Texan Makes Aviation History

This week in aviation history, Texas native Wiley Post and Harold Gatty took off in an attempt to fly around the world. Post, born in Grand Saline in Van Zandt County, was one of the best-known fliers in the world.

A few years after Wiley was born in Grand Saline, his family moved to Oklahoma and Wiley eventually became a roughneck in the oil fields. His aviation career began at age 26 as a **parachutist** for a flying circus, "Burrell Tibbs and His Texas Topnotch Fliers", and he became well known on the barnstorming circuit. On October 1, 1926, Post was badly injured in an oil-rig accident when a piece of metal pierced his left eye. An infection permanently blinded him in that eye, and he typically wore an eyepatch thereafter. He used the settlement money to buy his first aircraft.

On June 23, 1931, Post and the Australian navigator Harold Gatty, left Roosevelt Field on Long Island, New York, in the *Winnie Mae* with a flight plan that would take them around the world, stopping at Harbour Grace (Newfoundland and Labrador), Flintshire in Wales, Hanover twice, Berlin, Moscow, Novosibirsk in Siberia, Irkutsk (eastern Siberia), Blagoveshchensk (Russia), Khabarovsk (southeastern Russia), Nome (Alaska), where his propeller had to be repaired, Fairbanks, Alaska where the propeller was replaced, Edmonton in Alberta, Canada, and Cleveland before returning to Roosevelt Field.

They arrived back on July 1, after traveling 15,474 miles (24,903 km) in the record time of 8 days and 15 hours and 51 minutes, in the first successful aerial circumnavigation by a single-engined monoplane. The reception they received rivaled Charles Lindbergh's everywhere they went. They had lunch at the White House on July 6, rode in a ticker-tape parade the next day in New York City, and were honored at a banquet given by the Aeronautical Chamber of Commerce of America at the Hotel Astor. After the flight, Post acquired the *Winnie Mae* from F.C. Hall, and he and Gatty published an account of their journey titled, *Around the World in Eight Days*, with an introduction by Will Rogers.

Two years later, Post beat his earlier time by more than twenty-one hours. He may be most famous, however, for piloting the plane in which he and humorist Will Rogers died at Point Barrow, Alaska, on August 15, 1935.

STREAMERS FILL THE AIR: THE ROUND-THE-WORLD-IN-9-DAYS FLIERS' RETURN.

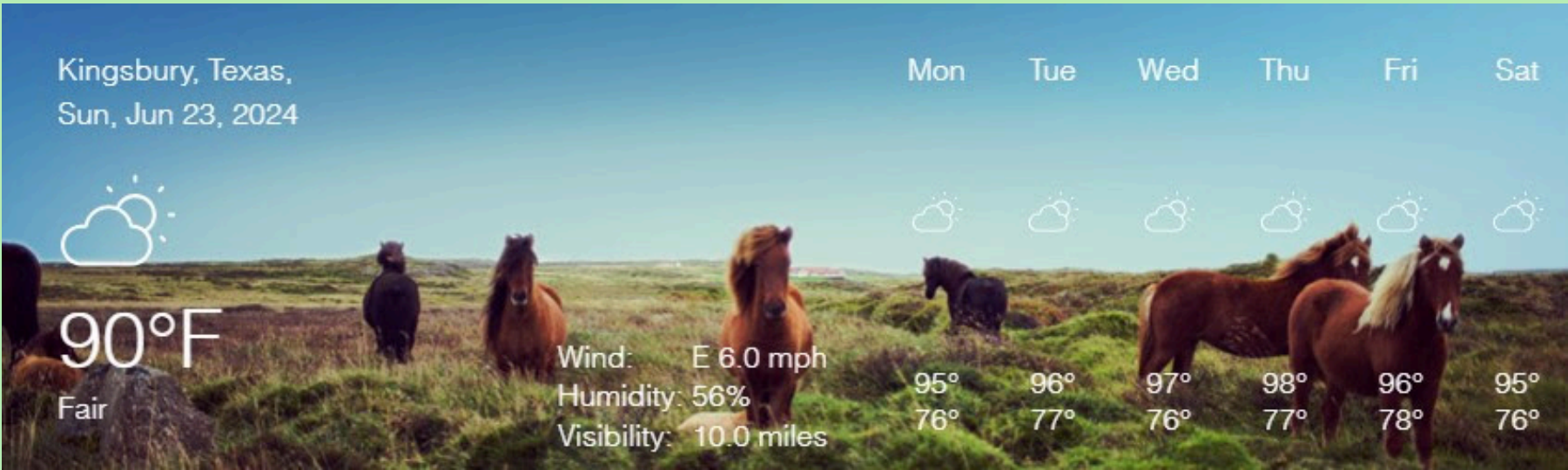


THE VICTORS' PARADE ALONG BROADWAY: MESSRS. POST AND GATTY DRIVING TO THE NEW YORK CITY HALL.

Mr. Wiley Post, the Oklahoma Indian, is here seen with the Australian, Mr. Harold Gatty, being welcomed by many thousands of New York citizens on the return of the aviators to that capital after they had flown round the world, 23,350 miles, in under nine days. The official time was 8 days, 15 hours, 51 minutes, the actual time in flight being 4 days, 16 hours, 8 minutes. The average speed was 138.8 miles an hour and the airmen, who only had fifteen hours' sleep, won the \$4,000 prize offered by Mr. F. C. Hall, a U.S. oil magnate. Of course, "round the world" is a vague term. These daring men flew round a part of the world between the pole and the equator.

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.

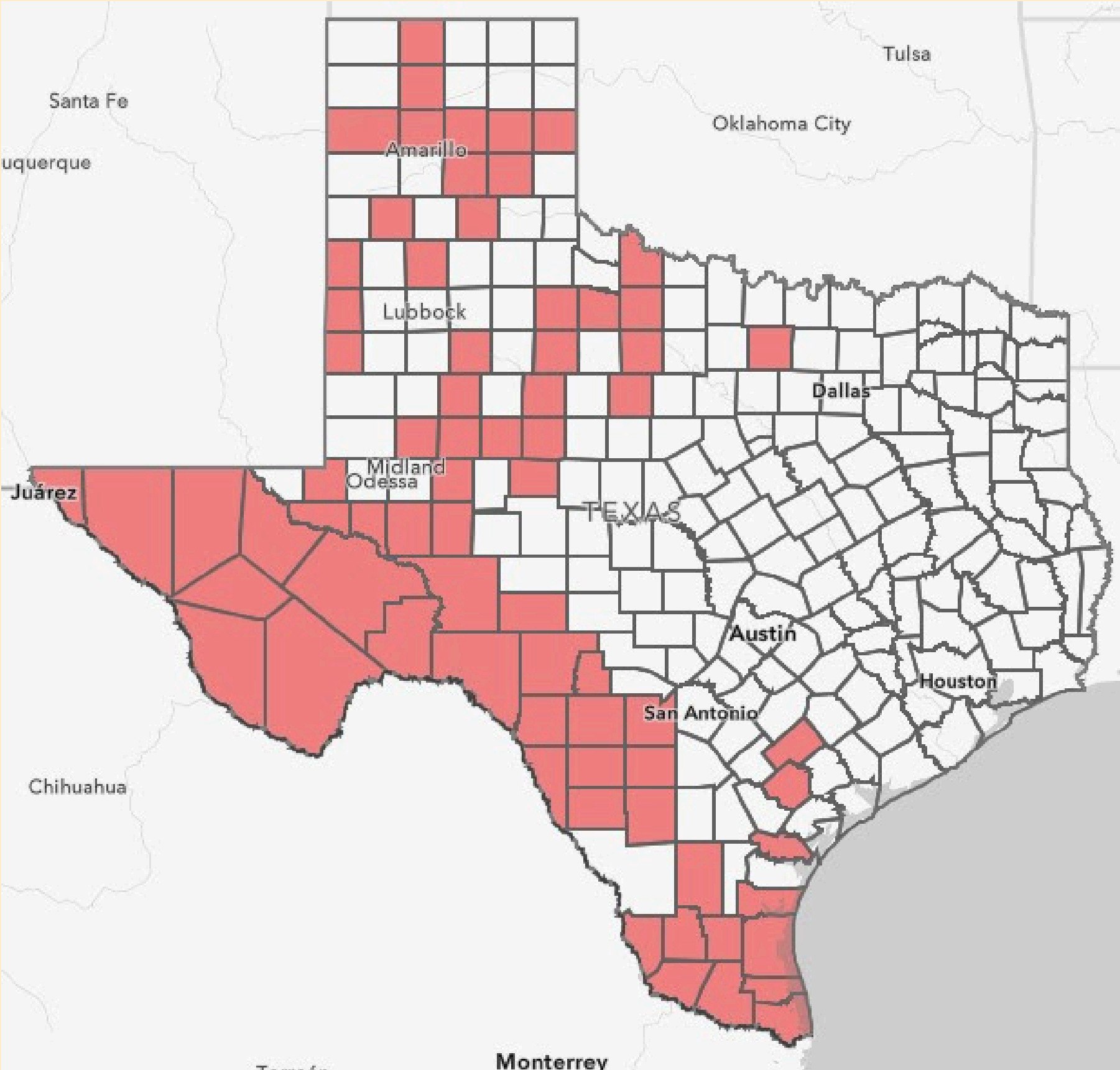
 [Click here to check out the Texas Water Development Board "Baker Ranch" weather](#)

No Burn Ban

Yes, we have no burn ban (or bananas!). We have **continued** to have good rain around here even as we come into July. If you're like me, you can't remember a year where there was no burn ban in the first six months. I'll take it!



Currently in Texas, there are 72 counties out of 254 that have a burn ban in place.

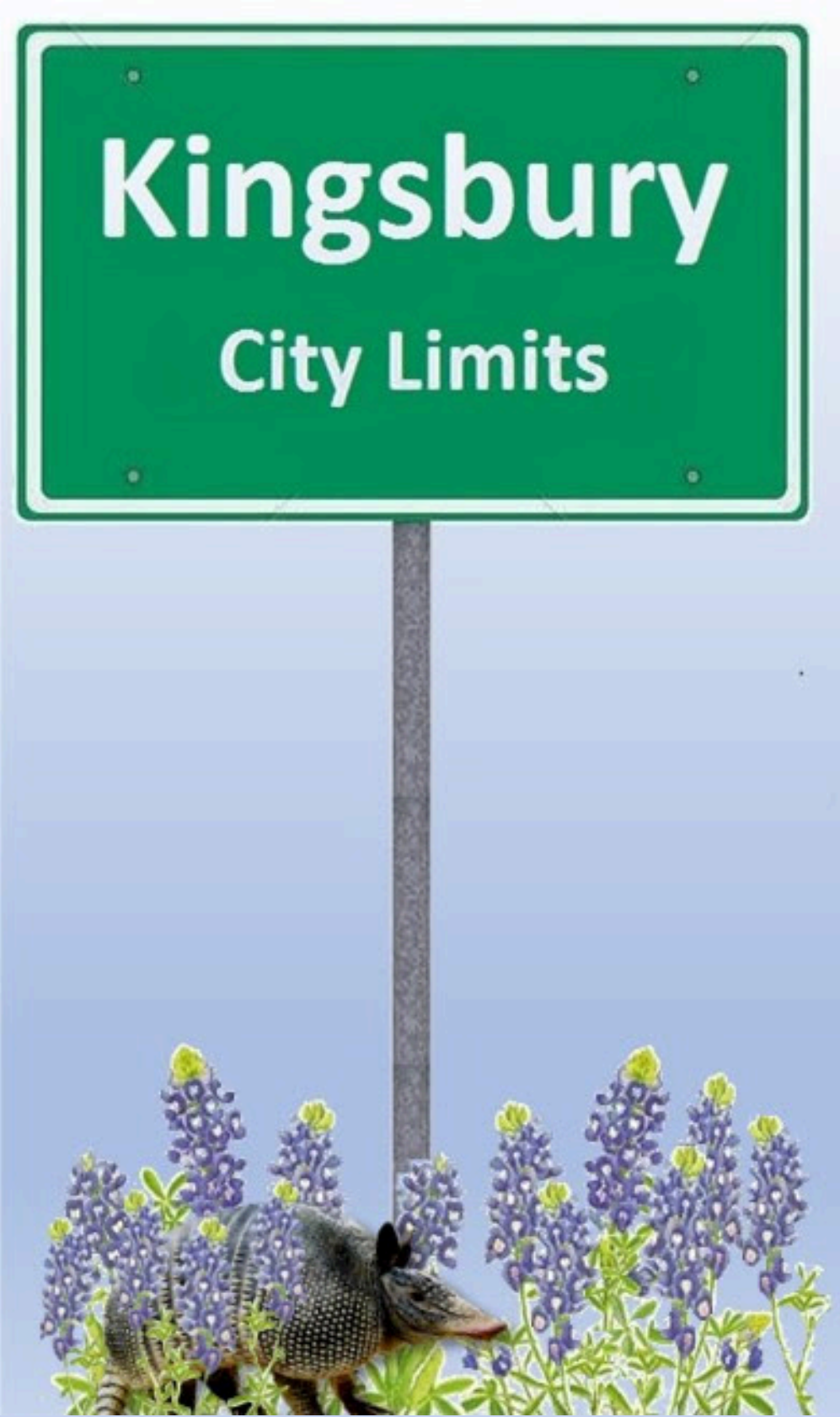


Kingsbury City Limits

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!



Fish Fry Time

The Bohannons with J&S Custom Catering have long been in the catering business and are now serving up fried catfish at their place for the 2024 season.

Each plate comes with all the **fixin's** - fries, coleslaw, hushpuppies, and homemade tartar sauce.

You can order up:

- Fish & Shrimp plate - \$15
- Fish & Shrimp & Oysters plate - \$20

Just call or text John Bohannon at (210) 269-1108 and tell him what you're hungry for! Make sure you put in your order a day or two in advance.

The fryer gets lit around 5:30 pm so you can start picking up your orders of delicious food at 6:00 at 935 Mill Creek Road.

There will be fish a-fryin' on the 2nd and 4th Friday of each month.

The next fish fry of 2024 is June 28th!




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

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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.

There 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!

Raffle tickets can be purchased now at the Kingsbury Country Store.

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



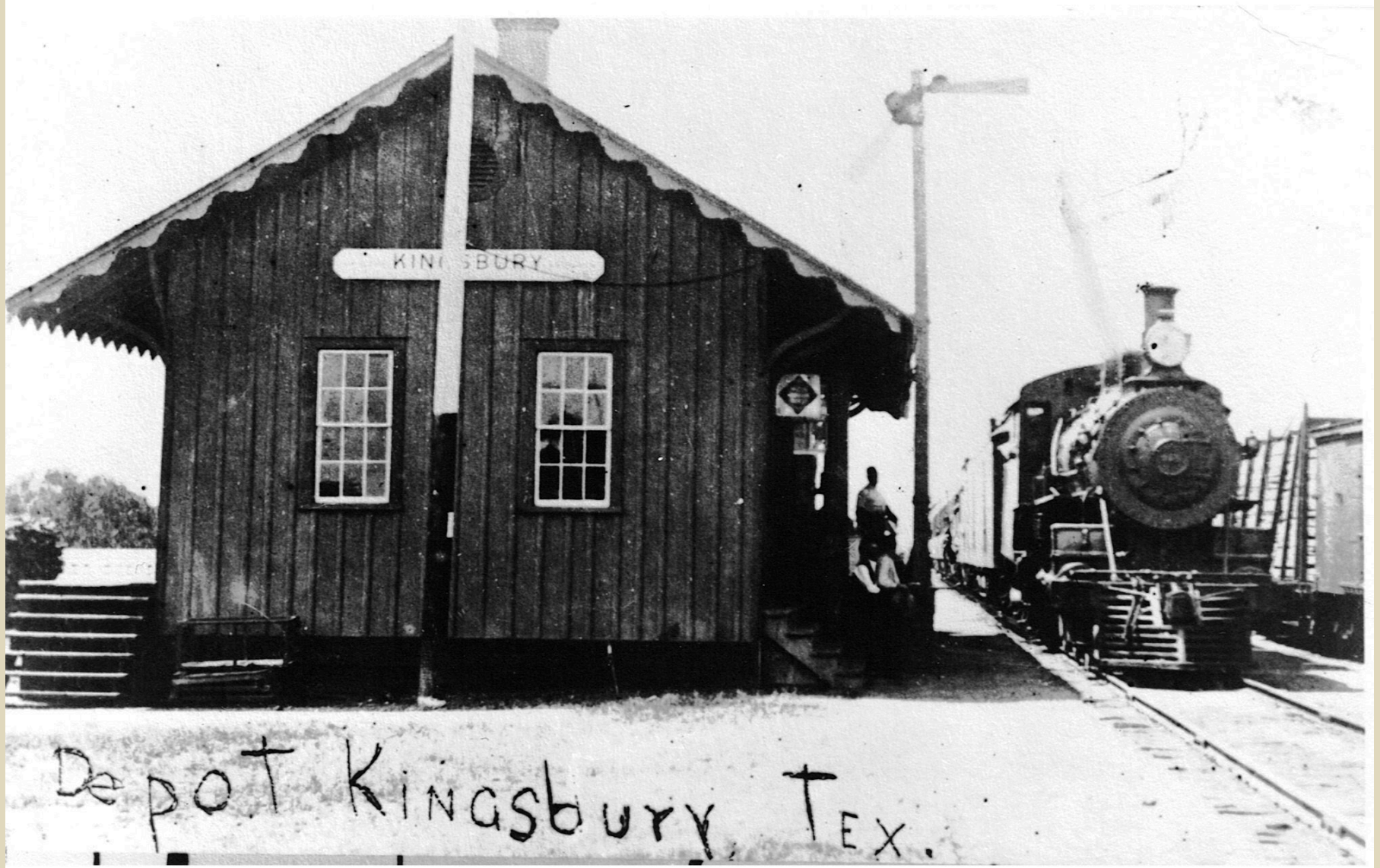
The Kingsbury Depot

Pictures of the Kingsbury Depot and the **steam**-powered locomotives that made the stops.

The railway through Kingsbury was originally part of the Galveston, Harrisburg & San Antonio Railway. Construction on the railroad west of Columbus began in April of 1873. The railroad reached Schulenburg in December, Waelder in the summer of 1874, Kingsbury in the summer of 1875, and Marion in the spring of 1876. The rails did not reach San Antonio, 125 miles from Columbus, until February 5, 1877.

The railroad then was commonly called the Peirce Line, after Thomas W. Peirce - a name that appears on many an original Kingsbury deed. The railroad itself used the nickname "Sunset Route," a name that was in general use by 1874 and was later adopted by the Southern Pacific for the entire line between New Orleans and Los Angeles.

Going by the writing on the sign in the more recent picture, the rail service appears to go "TO SAN FRANCISCO 1853 MILES" and "TO NEW ORLEANS 527 MILES." The man to the right with the crossed arms appears to be wearing a railway uniform and the little boy next to him just appears to be having a good ol' time!



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!

For more information any time

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