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## Kingsbury Texas

*News & Information Newsletter**Dear Kingsbury,**Here's the latest on what's going on in Kingsbury!*

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### Merry Christmas

*Wishing you a very Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays from the Kingsbury Newsletter!**We hope your holidays are festive and **bright**  
as we celebrate and head into the new 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:

**December 25th** - APhabet Day or No "L" Day, Christmas, National Pumpkin Pie Day

**December 26th** - Boxing Day, Day of Goodwill, National Candy Cane Day, National Homeowners Day, National Thank You Note Day, National Whiners Day

**December 27th** - Make Cut-Out Snowflakes Day, National Case Day, National Fruitcake Day, Visit the Zoo Day

**December 28th** - Card Playing Day, National Call a Friend Day, National Chocolate Candy Day, National Download Day, National Short Film Day, Pledge of Allegiance Day, Proclamation Day

**December 29th** - International Cello Day, National Ha Day, National Pepper Pot Day, Still Need To Do Day, Tick Tock Day

**December 30th** - Festival of Enormous Changes at the Last Minute, National Bacon Day, National Bicarbonate of Soda Day, National Resolution Planning Day

**December 31st** - Make Up Your Mind Day, National Champagne Day, New Year's Eve, No Interruptions Day, Unlucky Day, World Peace Meditation Day



## Washington Crosses The Delaware

This week in history in 1776, during the American Revolution, Patriot General George Washington crosses the Delaware River with 5,400 troops, hoping to surprise a Hessian force celebrating Christmas at their winter quarters in Trenton, New Jersey. The unconventional attack came after several months of substantial defeats for Washington's army that had resulted in the loss of New York City and other strategic points in the region.

At about 11 p.m. on Christmas Day, Washington's army commenced its crossing of the half-frozen river at three locations. The 2,400 soldiers led by Washington successfully **braved** the icy and freezing river and reached the New Jersey side of the Delaware just before dawn. The other two divisions, made up of some 3,000 men and crucial artillery, failed to reach the meeting point at the appointed time.

At approximately 8 a.m. on the morning of December 26, Washington's remaining force, separated into two columns, reached the outskirts of Trenton and descended on the unsuspecting Hessians. Trenton's 1,400 Hessian defenders were groggy from the previous evening's festivities and underestimated the Patriot threat after months of decisive British victories throughout New York. Washington's men quickly overwhelmed the Germans' defenses, and by 9:30 a.m. the town was surrounded. Although several hundred Hessians escaped, nearly 1,000 were captured at the cost of only four American lives. However, because most of Washington's army had failed to cross the Delaware, he was without adequate artillery or men and was forced to withdraw from the town.

The victory was not particularly significant from a strategic point of view, but news of Washington's initiative raised the spirits of the American colonists, who previously feared that the Continental Army was incapable of victory.





## New Year's Eve In Kingsbury Hall

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Kingsbury Items For Sale

Looking for a neat little Kingsbury gift or want to support your location Kingsbury VFD? The KVFD Auxiliary has tea towels, stemless wine glasses, and coasters available for sale in the Kingsbury Country Store on Railway Street.

Tea towels wine glasses are \$10 and coasters are \$5 and all **proceeds** go to the KVFD Auxiliary for support of our firefighters and first responders.

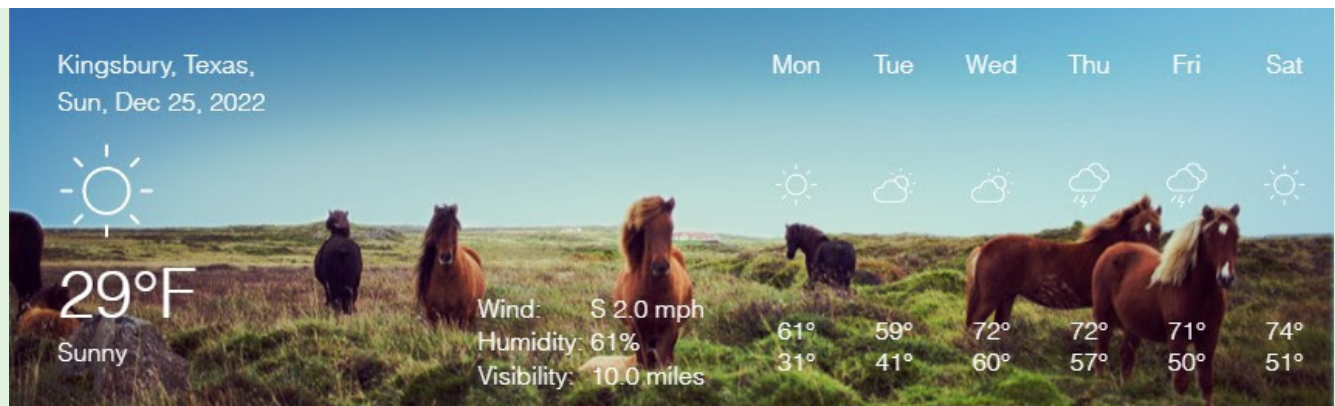
Come check it all out!



## 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 Kingsbury Mail Service

Kingsbury mail carrier, Albert Wolfshohl, delivering mail with horse and **buggy**. Mr. Wolfshohl was born August 16, 1878 and passed away June 3, 1958 and is buried in the Kingsbury Cemetery.

Mr. Wolfshohl started mail route "RFD Route No. 1" (as seen on the side of the mail wagon) in Kingsbury. The buggy is great - it is small but covered so that Mr. Wolfshohl could deliver the mail in relative dryness during inclement weather. "Neither snow nor rain nor heat nor gloom of night stays these couriers from the swift completion of their appointed rounds." That's all well and good, but a cart that is covered makes the "appointed rounds" a little less miserable in the rain.

A local mail carrier kept a journal and the July 14, 1904 entry says "Franklin Hickman sold horse to Wolfshohl for \$15 for mail cart." The next day, "July 15: Albert Wolfshohl started mail route R.F.D. #1".

Mr. Wolfshohl apparently took his children along on occasion, which they seemed very, very happy about! The horse, on the other hand, seems to pause just long enough to pose for the camera and now just wants to get on with the job of delivering Kingsbury mail.

I wonder if this is the \$15 horse?



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**Thanks!**

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