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Kingsbury Texas

News & Information Newsletter



Dear Shirley & Laddy,

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

D-Day

The pivotal D-Day landing took place this week in history in 1944.

Although the term D-Day is used routinely as military lingo for the day an operation or event will take place, for many it is also synonymous with June 6, 1944, the day the Allied powers crossed the English Channel and landed on the beaches of Normandy, France, beginning the liberation of Western Europe from Nazi control during World War II. Within three months, the northern part of France would be freed and the invasion force would be preparing to enter Germany, where they would meet up with Soviet forces moving in from the east.

With Hitler's armies in control of most of mainland Europe, the Allies knew that a successful invasion of the continent was central to winning the war. Hitler knew this too, and was expecting an assault on northwestern Europe in the spring of 1944. He hoped to repel the Allies from the coast with a strong counterattack that would delay future invasion attempts, giving him time to throw the majority of his forces into defeating the Soviet Union in the east. Once that was accomplished, he believed an all-out victory would soon be his.

On the morning of June 5, 1944, U.S. General Dwight D. Eisenhower, the supreme commander of Allied forces in Europe gave the go-ahead for Operation Overlord, the largest amphibious military operation in history. On his orders, 6,000 landing craft, ships and other vessels carrying 176,000 troops began to leave England for the trip to France. That night, 822 aircraft filled with **parachutists** headed for drop zones in Normandy. An additional 13,000 aircraft were mobilized to provide air cover and support for the invasion.

By dawn on June 6, 18,000 parachutists were already on the ground; the land invasions began at 6:30 a.m. The British and Canadians overcame light opposition to capture Gold. Juno and Sword beaches: so did the Americans

Marshal Erwin Rommel, who was away on leave. At first, Hitler, believing that the invasion was a feint designed to distract the Germans from a coming attack north of the Seine River, refused to release nearby divisions to join the counterattack and reinforcements had to be called from further afield, causing delays. He also hesitated in calling for armored divisions to help in the defense. In addition, the Germans were hampered by effective Allied air support, which took out many key bridges and forced the Germans to take long detours, as well as efficient Allied naval support, which helped protect advancing Allied troops.

Though it did not go off exactly as planned, as later claimed by British Field Marshal Bernard Montgomery–for example, the Allies were able to land only fractions of the supplies and vehicles they had intended in France–D-Day was a decided success. By the end of June, the Allies had 850,000 men and 150,000 vehicles in Normandy and were poised to continue their march across Europe.

The heroism and bravery displayed by troops from the Allied countries on D-Day has served as inspiration for several films, most famously The Longest Day (1962) and Saving Private Ryan (1998). It was also depicted in the HBO mini-series Band of Brothers (2001).



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 4th - National Hug Your Cat Day, National Clean Beauty Day, National Safe Day, National Cognac Day, National Cheese Day, National Old Maids Day, National Cancer Survivor's Day

June 5th - National Start Over Day, World Environment Day, National Veggie Burger Day, National Moonshine Day, National Gingerbread Day

June 6th - Russian Language Day, World Pest Day, National Day Of Sweden, D-day, National Eyewear Day, National Higher Education Day, National Applesauce Cake Day, National Drive-in Movie Day, National Gardening Exercise Day, National Yo-yo Day

June 7th - World Caring Day, World Food Safety Day, National Oklahoma Day, National Chocolate Ice Cream Day, National VCR Day, National Boone Day, National Running Day

June 8th - World Pet Memorial Day, World Brain Tumor Day, World Oceans Day, National Upsy Daisy Day, National Name Your Poison Day, National Best Friends Day



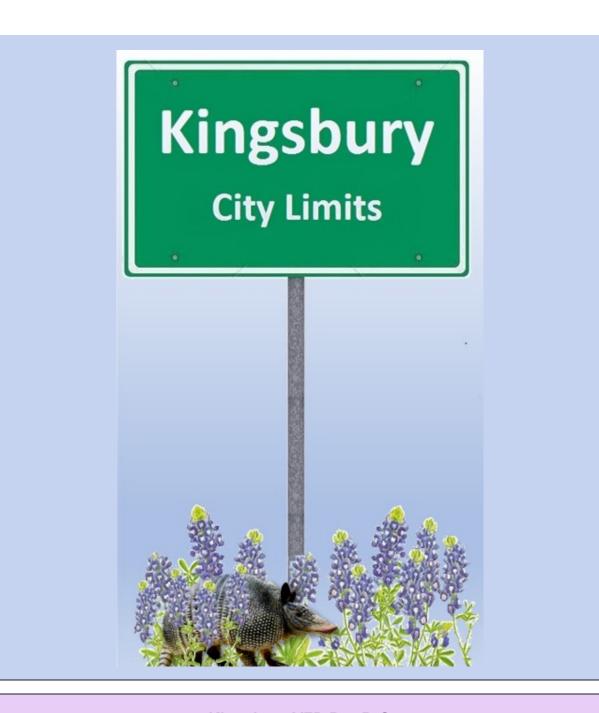
Kingsbury City Limits

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 VFD Bar-B-Q

We are gearing up for the KVFD Bar-B-Q Fundraiser on July 29th!

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.

The day starts with DJ Bo Peep doing his thing from 1 to 5. 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 \$11 for adults and children and include delicious smoked beef and the Auxiliary's world famous potato salad! Serving starts at 5:30 and goes until 9:00. Eat there and get a couple to go!

The KVFD and Auxilary 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



Fish Fry Time!

The Bohannons have long been in the catering business and are now serving up fried **catfish** at their place on the 2nd and 4th Friday of each month.

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.

The next fish fry of 2023 is June 9th!



Kingsbury Planning and Zoning Committee

The City of Kingsbury is forming a Planning and Zoning Committee. The P&Z Committee will be comprised of the Kingsbury City Commission and other members of our **community** both inside and outside the official Kingsbury city limits.

The working Mission Statement of the P&Z Committee is:

"The mission of our small city planning and zoning committee is to promote and facilitate responsible development, while preserving the character and charm of our community. We strive to create a balanced approach to growth that considers the needs of current and future residents, businesses, and visitors. We are committed to providing fair and efficient zoning regulations and land-use policies that promote sustainability, accessibility, and safety for all. Through collaboration with community members and local stakeholders, we aim to create a vibrant, livable, and resilient city that reflects the values and aspirations of our community."

The Kingsbury City Commission is forming this committee to protect our community and is looking for people that are interested in the same. If you would like to be considered for the P&Z Committee, please contact City Commissioner Frank Ignasiak. He can be reached at commissioner2@kingsburytexas.org.

You can also call the City number at 323-KINGSBURY (323-546-4728) or email us at kingsburytexas@gmail.com.



Franklin Flies A Kite

This week in history, on June 10, 1752, Benjamin Franklin flies a kite during a thunderstorm and collects a charge in a Leyden jar when the kite is struck by lightning, enabling him to demonstrate the electrical nature of **lightning**.

Franklin became interested in electricity in the mid-1740s, a time when much was still unknown on the topic, and spent almost a decade conducting electrical experiments. He coined a number of terms used today, including battery conductor and electrician. He also invented the lightning rod, used to protect buildings and ships

Franklin returned to Philadelphia and became a successful businessman, whose publishing ventures included the Pennsylvania Gazette and Poor Richard's Almanack, a collection of homespun proverbs advocating hard work and honesty in order to get ahead. The almanac, which Franklin first published in 1733 under the pen name Richard Saunders, included such wisdom as: "Early to bed, early to rise, makes a man healthy, wealthy and wise." Whether or not Franklin followed this advice in his own life, he came to represent the classic American overachiever. In addition to his accomplishments in business and science, he is noted for his numerous civic contributions. Among other things, he developed a library, insurance company, city hospital and academy in Philadelphia that would later become the University of Pennsylvania.
Most significantly, Franklin was one of the founding fathers of the United States and had a career as a statesman that spanned four decades. He served as a legislator in Pennsylvania as well as a diplomat in England and France. He is the only politician to have signed all four documents fundamental to the creation of the U.S.: the Declaration of Independence (1776), the Treaty of Alliance with France (1778), the Treaty of Paris (1783), which established peace with Great Britain, and the U.S. Constitution (1787). Franklin died at age 84 on April 17, 1790, in Philadelphia. He remains one of the leading figures in U.S. history.



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

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.

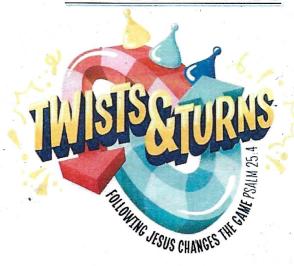
It's a great way to find out what's going on around town and to let others know what meetings or events you have planned that your friends and neighbors might like to attend.

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Vacation Bible School

KINGSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

6901 FM 2438



Vacation Bible School 2023 Kindergarten-6th Grade (completed)

June 12-15, 2023

5:30 PM - 8:00 PM

Transportation Available





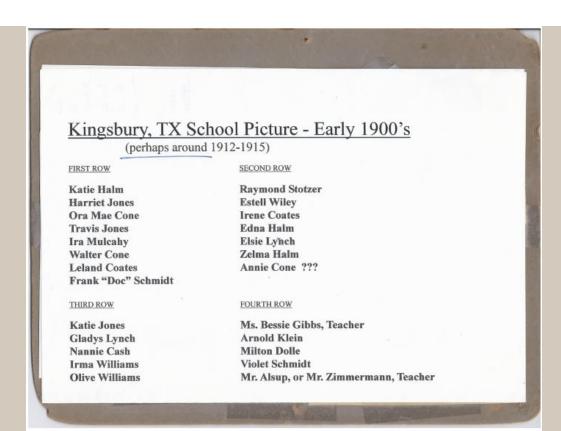
For Early Enrollment call Church Office: (830) 639-4671

Red Brick Kingsbury School

A school picture in front of the old red brick schoolhouse in Kingsbury sometime between 1912 and 1915. The back of the picture lists the names of the children and their teachers with many of these family names still found around Kingsbury today.

The bottom picture is the **schoolhouse** the children are in front of and is dated May 15, 1914. There is handwriting on the picture that reads "Where I taught my 1st & 2nd year". Could it have been written by Ms. Gibbs or Mr. Alsup or Mr. Zimmermann in the class picture?







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