

## Kingsbury News & Information Newsletter - December 10, 2023

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# **Kingsbury Texas**

**News & Information Newsletter** 



Dear Kingsbury,

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

## **Booze & Peruse**





## 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 10th - National Lager Day, Nobel Prize Day, Human Rights Day, National Dewey Decimal System Day

December 11th - National Stretching Day, UNICEF Birthday, National App Day

December 11th - National Noodle Ring Day, International Mountain Day

December 12th - International Day of Neutrality, National Ding-A-Ling Day, National Ambrosia Day, National Poinsettia Day, National Gingerbread House Day

December 13th - National Guard Birthday, National Violin Day, National Cocoa Day, National Day of the Horse, National Pick A Pathologist Day

December 14th - National Alabama Day, National Bouillabaisse Day, National Monkey Day

December 15th - International Tea Day, National Wear Your Pearls Day, National Ugly Christmas Sweater Day, National Cupcake Day, National Underdog Day, National Cat Herders Day, National Bill of Rights Day, Wreaths Across America Day

December 16th - National Chocolate Covered Anything Day, Barbie And Barney
Backlash Day

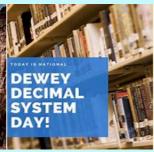




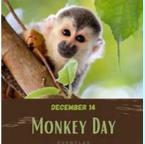
















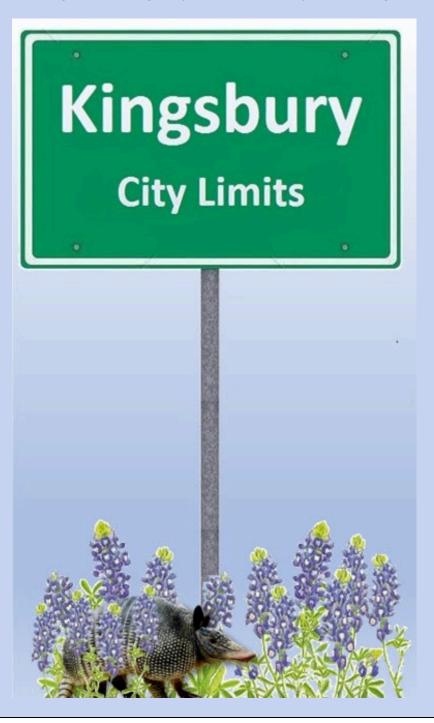




Do you have property in the Kingsbury area but not in the **official** Kingsbury city limits? Would you like it to be a part of the new city of Kingsbury? Let Kingsbury know! It's a simple "Voluntary Annexation" petition form to fill out and you can be on the list to be part of out Kingsbury.

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 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.



### **Meteors!**

The Geminid meteor shower peaks this week!

The Geminids occur every year from about December 4 to 16, peaking the night of December 13 into the morning of December 14. This is the shower's "maximum"—the time when the most meteors fall per hour. Given that the Geminid meteor shower is the most active shower of the year, expect to see an average of 120 meteors per hour during the Geminids' peak! The show typically starts as early as 9 P.M., peaks around 2 A.M., and lasts into the morning hours of the next day. In 2023, the new moon falls on December 12th so there will be a dark sky during the peak of the Geminid meteor shower.

The Geminid meteor shower is one of the most active and reliable meteor showers of the year!

They **streak** through the sky every 30 seconds to 1 minute all night.

It is unique because the meteors are visible all night long, since the constellation Gemini arises just an hour or two after nightfall. Most meteor showers require you to wait until midnight or pre-dawn for the best viewing.

The constellation Gemini is the radiant of the Geminid meteor shower, which means that it is the meteor shower's point of origin. The Geminid meteors will appear to fall away from the constellation Gemini.

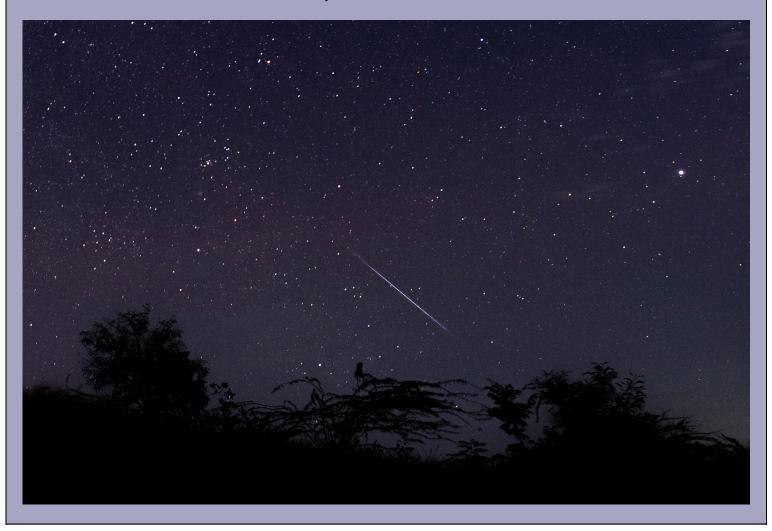
Geminid meteors can be seen all night long because Gemini rises so early, though Gemini is at its highest point (offering optimal viewing) around 2 A.M. However, because the sun sets so early in December, the meteor shower is usually in full swing by 9 P.M.

Meteors occur when the Earth rushes through a stream of dust and debris left behind by a passing comet. When the bits strike the Earth's upper atmosphere, friction with the air causes each particle to heat and burn up. We see the result as a meteor.

Interestingly, Geminid meteors didn't seem to be associated with a comet until recently. The Geminid meteor shower was thought to be caused by an asteroid called 3200 Phaethon, which was first detected by NASA in 1983. The odd part of this is that asteroids don't disintegrate in the same way that comets do to produce meteor showers. Phaethon has therefore been reclassified as an extinct comet that has lost its outer covering. This helps explain why the Geminids are so bright. They're little pieces of mostly rocky material which take longer to burn up as they fall into the atmosphere, whereas most meteor showers are caused by the softer, icier debris from

comets.

The Geminid meteors also move more slowly than other meteors, such as the Perseids. The decrease in speed makes viewing much easier. The Geminid meteor shower is also relatively new. All other major meteor showers have been observed for centuries, but the Geminids were first observed in 1862 in Manchester, England. The Geminid meteor shower was at first very modest, but it now delivers one to two meteors a minute!

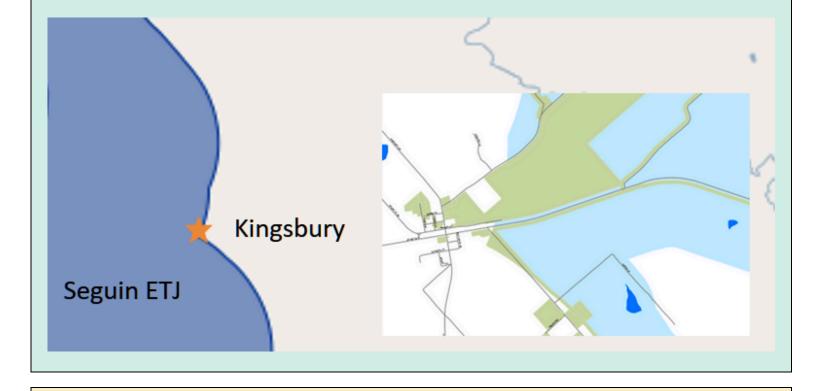


## **Release From Seguin ETJ**

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: (GMT-06:00) ∨ Today December 2023 Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat 27 29 30 1 2 26 28 12:00pm M... Full Beaver ... 4 5 6 8 7:30pm KFV... 12:00pm Ma... 10:00am Fa... 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 12:00pm M... 6:30pm Dev... Booze & Per... Volunteer W... 23 17 18 19 20 21 22 12:00pm M... 6:30pm Kin... 25 27 24 26 28 29 30 Christmas Day Full Cold Moon Christmas Eve 12:00pm M... 3 31 1 2 4 5 6

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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



## **Christmas Boxes**

Every year the Kingsbury VFD Auxiliary puts together and delivers some awesome gift boxes/baskets/bags for the people in their fire district that are shut-in or at least 85 years young. The Auxiliary delivered to over 50 people this past Saturday with Christmas bags that included fruit, candy, snacks, fun Christmas items, and homemade cookies. Each bag also included a beautiful Christmas card.

It's a wonderful Christmas tradition that means so much to both the givers and receivers!

It's just one of the many things that the KVFD Auxiliary does for our community. Thank you for all you do Auxiliary!



**New Years Eve In Kingsbury Hall** 



This is an absolutely wonderful picture of six little girls hanging out **together** near the Kingsbury train depot in the 1940s

Left to right is Sandra Jones, Minnie Lehmann, Joyce Hurt, Margaret Schmidt, and Lila Hurt.

Little Patsy Hurt is in front and is being very shy!



## Know someone that should be on the Kingsbury Newsletter eMail List?

Send them this email! All they need to do is go to the <u>Kingsbury website</u>, 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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