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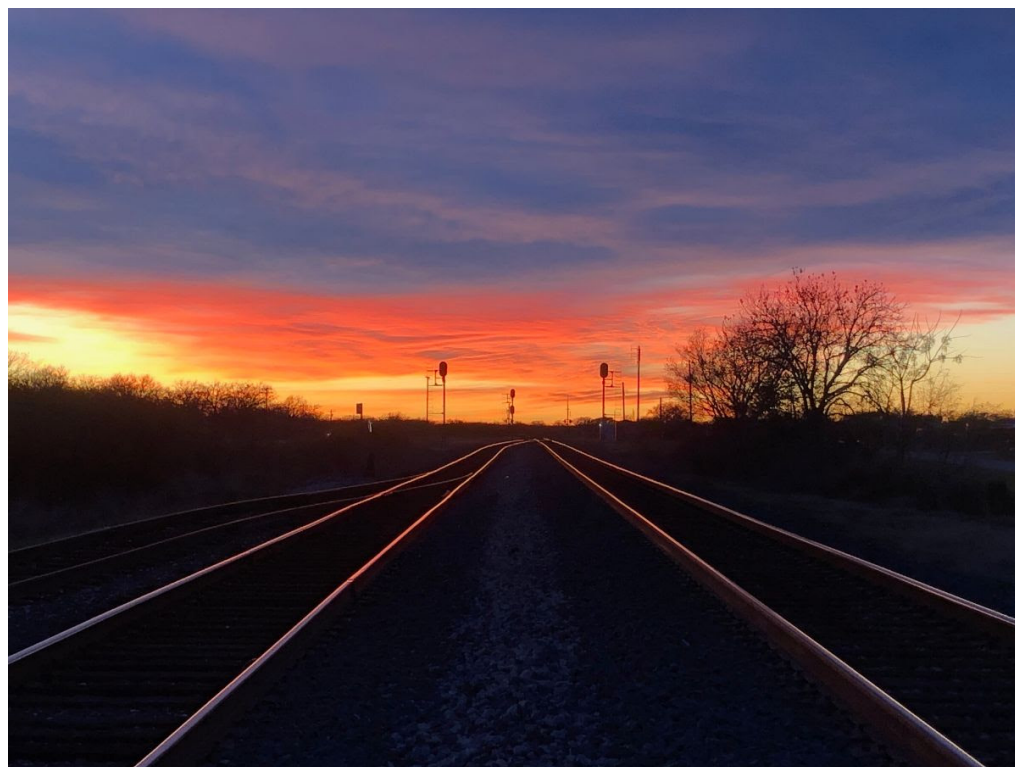
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Kingsbury Texas

News & Information Newsletter



Dear Shirley & Laddy,

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

First Day of Autumn

If you've sweated your way through a long hot summer, you might be ready for a change in season! The autumnal equinox—also called the September equinox and the fall equinox in the Northern Hemisphere—falls on September 22nd this year. Specifically, the Northern Hemisphere marks the autumnal equinox on Thursday, September 22, 2022, at exactly 8:03 p.m. Kingsbury time.



Autumn has caught us in our summer wear.

–Philip Larkin, *British poet (1922–86)*



The autumnal equinox is the astronomical start of fall in the Northern Hemisphere and spring in the Southern Hemisphere.



Autumn days come quickly, like the running of a hound on the moor.

–*Irish proverb*



Why is it called an equinox? The word comes from the Latin *aequus*, meaning “equal” and *nox*, meaning “night.”

During the equinox, the Sun crosses what we call the “celestial equator.” Imagine a line that marks the equator on Earth extending up into the sky above the equator from north to south. Earth’s two hemispheres receive the Sun’s rays about equally. The Sun is overhead at noon as seen from the equator, so at this point, the amount of nighttime and daytime (sunlight) are roughly equal to each other.



*It is the summer’s great last heat,
It is the fall’s first chill: They meet.*

–*Sarah Morgan Bryan Piatt*

Another definition of fall is cooler nights combined with days of lower temperatures. From here on out, the temperatures begin to drop.

Note that fall foliage isn’t due to current weather conditions. This is a common misconception. Leaves change color because of the amount of daylight and photosynthesis.



FALL EQUINOX FAQs



Q: Are day and night perfectly equal on the equinox?

A: No. Even on the equinox, day and night aren’t perfectly equal! However, they are very close to equal (the lengths may be off by only a few minutes). Why does this happen?

It depends where you live. On the equinox, the center of the Sun is above the horizon for 12 hours. However, “sunrises” is said to begin when the upper edge of the Sun’s disk becomes visible above the horizon (which happens a bit before the center rises) and ends when the entire Sun has set. In

this case, daylight is longer than 12 hours.

Not only that, but the Sun is actually visible when it is below the horizon, as Earth's atmosphere refracts the Sun's rays and bends them in an arc over the horizon. Yes, you can actually see the Sun before the edge actually reaches the horizon! This causes daylight to be longer than 12 hours as well.



Q: Is the Autumnal Equinox really the first day of Fall?

A: Based on the astronomical definition of seasons, yes, the autumnal equinox does mark the first day of fall (in the Northern Hemisphere). However, according to the meteorological definition of seasons, which is based on temperature cycles and the Gregorian calendar, the first day of fall is September 1.



Q: Can you balance an egg on the Equinox?

A: There's an old-wife's tale that you can stand an egg on its end of the equinox. Well, yes, but it's not just on the equinox. Still it's a bit of fun. Try it!



ANCIENT AUTUMN TRADITIONS



The fall equinox has been a day of celebration for cultures since ancient days. People tracked the transitions of the Earth's journeys around the Sun.



In Machu Picchu in Peru, an ancient stone monument called *Intihuatana*—which means “Hitching Post of the Sun”—serves as a solar clock to mark the dates of the equinoxes and solstices.



In Mexico, the Mayans built a giant pyramid called Chichen Itza. On the equinoxes, it looks as if a snake made of light slithers down the pyramid's steps.



In England, Stonehedge was also built with the equinoxes and solstices in mind.



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:

September 18th - Air Force Birthday, National Cheeseburger Day, National HIV/AIDS and Aging Awareness Day, Wife Appreciation Day

September 19th - National Butterscotch Pudding Day, Talk Like a Pirate Day

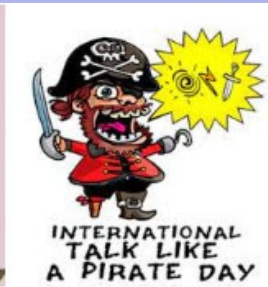
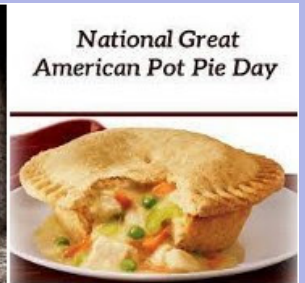
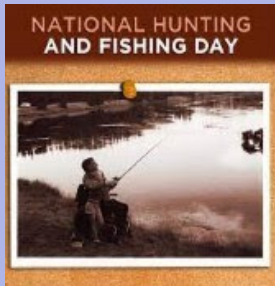
September 20th - National Care for Kids Day, National Fried Rice Day, National Pepperoni Pizza Day, National Punch Day, National String Cheese Day, National Voter Registration Day, National IT Professionals Day

September 21st - National Chai Day, National New York Day, National Pecan Cookie Day

September 22nd - National States and Capitals Day, American Business Women's Day, Car Free Day, Dear Diary Day, Elephant Appreciation Day, Hobbit Day, National Centenarian's Day, National Girls' Night, National Ice Cream Cone Day, National Legwear Day, National Online Recovery Day, National White Chocolate Day, Autumnal Equinox

September 23rd - Celebrate Bisexuality Day, National Checkers/Dogs in Politics Day, National Great American Pot Pie Day, National Snack Stick Day, National Teal Talk Day, Innergize Day, National BRAVE DAY, National Gay Men's HIV/AIDS Awareness Day, Restless Legs Awareness Day

September 24th - National Cherries Jubilee Day, National Punctuation Day, Schwenkfelder Thanksgiving, National Public Lands Day, Save Your Photos Day, National Hunting and Fishing Day, National Family Health and Fitness Day USA, National Ghost Hunting Day, National Seat Check Saturday, National Singles Day



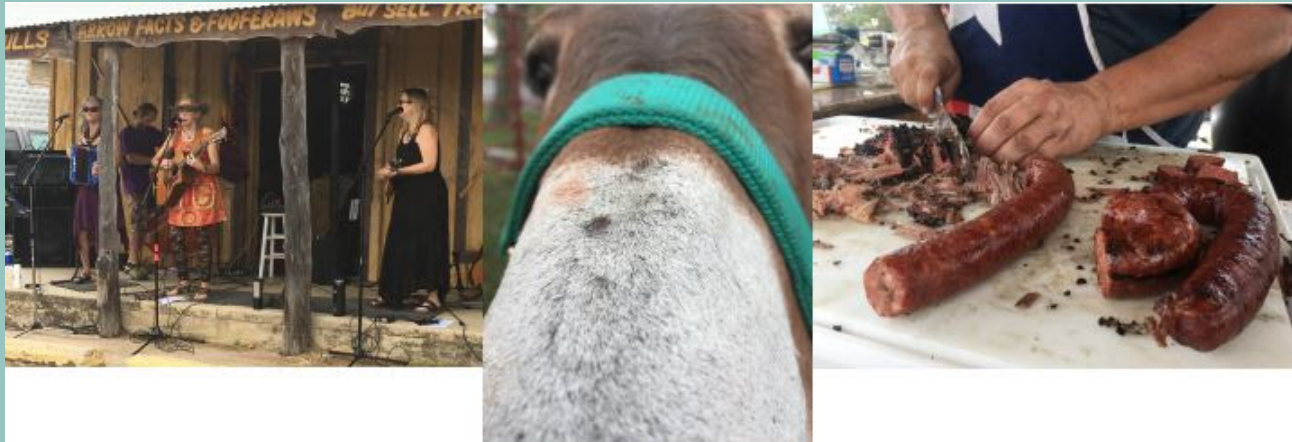
Kingsbury Fall Harvest Festival

Planning is underway for the 2022 Fall Harvest Festival in Downtown Kingsbury!

The big event will be Saturday, November 12th with lots of activities, food, and **fun** so mark your calendars!

More information to come!





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 and coasters available for sale in the Kingsbury Country Store on Railway Street.

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

Stemless wine glasses are now also available with the caption *"We Don't Complain in Kingsbury - We Wine"*

Come check it all out!



Kingsbury News Past

All the **news** that's fit to print about what *was* happening in Kingsbury . .



The June 9, 1876 edition of *The San Antonio Express* had a rather lengthy article about the "Pierce Railroad" which is the tracks that came west as far as Kingsbury in 1876. These are a couple of portions out of the article which went on and on about how San Antonio and Bexar County needed to step up and start contributing to the extension of the railway. It mentions that the railroad currently goes "from Columbus to Kingsbury" and they are about to "lay track from Kingsbury to the Guadalupe".

THE FACTS ABOUT THE PIERCE RAILROAD.

In what we have say on the above subject, we have no reference whatever to men or their personal opinions, whether in the Construction Company or out. We strive to represent the interests of San Antonio, and also of Mr. Pierce, being fully satisfied that their interests are really identical, however apparently divergent some may try to make them appear. We know the personal opinions of very few men in relation to the railroad; we believe we do not know the opinions of a single member of the Construction Company. But we do know the facts in the case, and we also understand their bearing upon this important enterprise. We strive to interpret and represent these facts in justice both to the city and to Mr. Peirce. The city is heard all the time. We all represent the city, and all speak for her interest daily. Mr. Peirce is absent, and is not heard from in his behalf. It is as important to understand him correctly as to understand ourselves. Any quarrel between the two will be very damaging. Therefore, in what we now say we mean to point out the mistakes of the past, that we may avoid them in the future.

The spirit of the engagement has always been that San Antonio and Bexar county were to furnish Mr. Pierce with a part of the means to build the road, and that, with this help, he was to go forward and build it. Well, he complied with his part of the engagement so long as he was able to do so. He pushed his road forward from Columbus to Kingsbury, and is now about to lay the track from Kingsbury to the Guadalupe this side of Seguin. Thus, Mr. Peirce will soon have completed considerably over 100 miles of road, bringing it within thirty miles of San Antonio, to her infinite benefit. He has done this, partly, because it is as great an interest for him to finish the road to San Antonio as it is to San Antonio to have it finished; but everybody knows that he also undertook this great work, in his financial weakness, and in the midst of general financial depression, in the faith that he would receive help from San Antonio and Bexar county.

In other 1876 news, two unfortunate brothers/painters "drowed" while bathing in the ocean, the "tax grabber" is having a field day in Texarkana between Texas and Arkansas citizens, something crazy is going on with the newspaper editors in Dallas (they're all getting shot or shooting each other!), and another quip about the railroad and that building it without funds is "child's play, nonsense, humbuggery." Well said!

Elsewhere in 1876, don't "pocket" the 4,000 pound "lump of silver" at the Centennial, Sitting-Bull and Crazy-Horse are on "the War-Path In The Great West" and have "met Custer's troops" (the Battle of Little Bighorn is only a few days away on June 25-26), the Brazillian Emperor is visiting the Capitol and was presented with "a handsome boquet", sweet Queen Victoria bought toys for the "patients at the Hospital of Sick Children", and Holman's "Ague and Liver Pad" is "A Curious Good Thing" (oh puh-lease!)

In other goings on, "King Fisher and Seven Of His Gang Captured" (King Fisher was a gunslinger that claimed to have 37 notches on his gun "not counting Mexicans" and the mother of one of his victims would yearly travel to his grave in Uvalde and dance around a fire that she would build on it), the U.S. calvary is getting horses from the "government corral" where they are being inspected, poor Mr. Henschkel "the ice-deliverer" slipped getting into his wagon, "Mons. Jules Rigal" is going to wrestle a masked "unknown party" (I'd pay to see that!), and there were 25 shots fired in Dallas and it's being called a "lively skirmish". What the heck is going in Dallas that a running gun battle is called a "lively skirmish"?!

DROWNED

Cape May, N J, June 8—Two brothers named Clarke, drowned while bathing at Sea Grove at 10 o'clock this morning. They were painters from Providence, R I, and were employed at the Sea Grove hotel.

ARKANSAS has 1250 Texans and 1250 Arkansians, but when the Texas tax collector comes along the town is principally in Arkansas, and then the Arkansas tax grabber naturalizes them in Texas.

DALLAS seems to be an unfortunate place for editors. The editors of the Herald and Commercial of that place recently had a bloody street fight, and now the editor of the new paper, the Evening Mail, has been shot by a man who did not like what the paper said. Editors should not venture too far out on the frontier.

LET work and help go together in the matter of the Pierce railroad, and it will soon be completed to San Antonio. We have \$300,000 in bonds to invest in it. Let us invest it in the way of helping to build the road, and not in the way of reward after the road is built. Help will build the road, mile by mile, when there is nothing else to build it with. Reward for building the road when there is nothing to build it with, is child's play, nonsense, humbuggery.

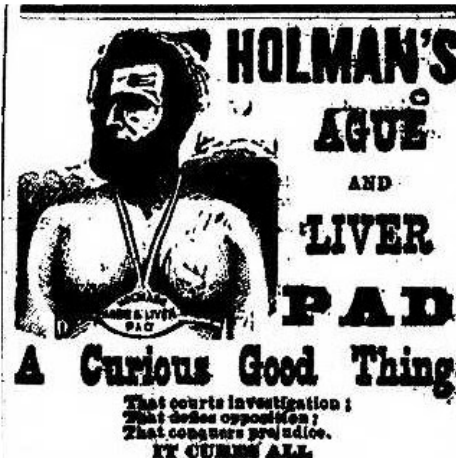
Go to Mexico, in the main building, when you visit the Centennial, and see the 4,000 pound lump of silver. It is worth \$72,000. You are requested not to pocket it.

INDIANS ON THE WAR-PATH IN THE "GREAT WEST."

Omaha, June 8—A dispatch to department headquarters this morning, dated Fort Laramie, June 7th, says an Indian courier from the Red Cloud Agency brings the report that just before he left an Indian arrived from the mouth of Tongue river, stating that he found there 173 lodges under Sitting-Bull, Crazy-Horse, and others. They were on their way to Powder river to fight Crook on his return. He saw the same band on the evening of May 17th. They told him that they had met Custer's troops, and had fought them all day, many being killed on both sides.

Dom Pedro, the Brazilian Emperor, spent some time at the Capitol recently, and was introduced to a large number of Senators and Representatives. Mr. Ferry, President pro tempore of the Senate, presented him with a handsome boquet, and his Majesty seemed much pleased with his visit.

Queen Victoria, during her recent visit to Germany, selected and bought an immense quantity of toys for the patients at the Hospital of Sick Children, in Great Ormond-street.



HOLMAN'S
AGUE
AND
LIVER
PAD
A Curious Good Thing
That courts investigation;
That defies opposition;
That conquers prejudice.
IT CURES ALL.

KING FISHER AND SEVEN OF HIS GANG CAPTURED.

Captain McNally Did It.

His Men Scourning the Country for More of Them.

EAGLE PASS, JUNE 4, '76.

To the San Antonio Express:

Captain McNally charged upon Ponderosa yesterday at 6 o'clock, capturing King Fisher and seven others. No resistance was offered as it would have been useless. Captain McNally left the prisoners with the authorities of Eagle Pass and will scout the country between here and Cakville. The gallant Captain and his men are well. J.

—The Board of officers to purchase horses for the U. S. cavalry are still busy. They make their inspections near the government corral.

—While getting into his wagon last evening, Henschkel, the ice-deliverer, made a mis-step, and cut a deep gash in one of his legs just below the knee.

—We learn that Mons. Jules Rigal has been challenged for a wrestle at Karber's Garden next Sunday evening, by an unknown party, who will appear masked.

A lively skirmish occurred in Dallas on the 5th inst. Twenty shots fired.

Fall Wings & Wheels Fly-In

The Fall Wings and Wheels Fall Fly-In and Car Show at the Old Kingsbury Aerodrome and Pioneer Flight Museum (on Pershing Lane just off of FM 1104) is coming up Saturday, November 12th.

The event will have **re-enactors**, lots of planes, antique cars and cycles, yummy eats and treats, live music, and tons of fun!

Gates open at 9 am and the entry is free (but donations are gladly accepted!)



WINGS & WHEELS FLY-IN NOVEMBER 12, 2022



FOOD TRUCKS
&
OTHER VENDORS

VINTAGE
AIRCRAFT
&
VEHICLES!

REENACTOR
DISPLAYS

DONATIONS AT THE GATE GREATLY APPRECIATED!

Kingsbury City Commission

The Kingsbury City Commission has a Regular Commission Meeting on the third Monday of each month. The next meeting will be

Monday, September 19th

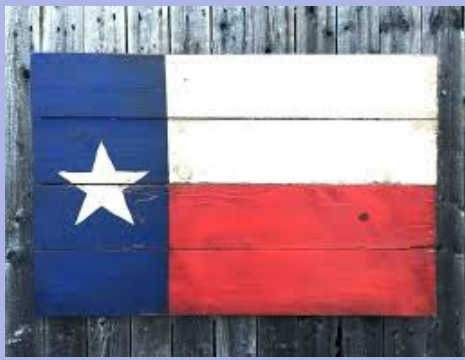
at 6:30 in the Kingsbury Volunteer Fire Department fire station at [1060 FM 1104](#).

Items on the **agenda**:

- ★ Public Hearing for 2022-23 city budget
- ★ Update on National Night Out in October
- ★ Fall Harvest Festival

You can always find the meetings in the Kingsbury Calendar on the [website](#).

All city commission meetings are open to the public.



Elections Information

With the November **elections** coming up, here is some important information regarding the election:

Important dates:

Tuesday, October 11 -- Last Day to Register to Vote

Monday, October 24 -- First Day to Early Vote

Friday, October 28 -- Last Day to Apply for Mail Ballot (Received, Not Postmarked)

Friday, November 4 -- Last Day to Early Vote

Tuesday, November 8 -- Election Day

EARLY VOTING LOCATIONS NEAREST TO THE KINGSBURY AREA

Main Elections Office - 215 S. Milam St., Seguin
Seguin ISD Administration Building - [1221 E. Kingsbury St., Seguin](#)

EARLY VOTING DATES AND HOURS

Monday, October 24th through Friday, October 28th -- 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Saturday, October 29th -- 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, October 30th -- 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Monday, October 31st through Friday, November 4th -- 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Election Day

The polling place in Kingsbury on Election Day, November 8th, will be The Kingsbury Methodist Church ([7035 FM 2438](#)).

The polls will be open from 7:00 am to 7:00 pm.



Burn Ban Lifted

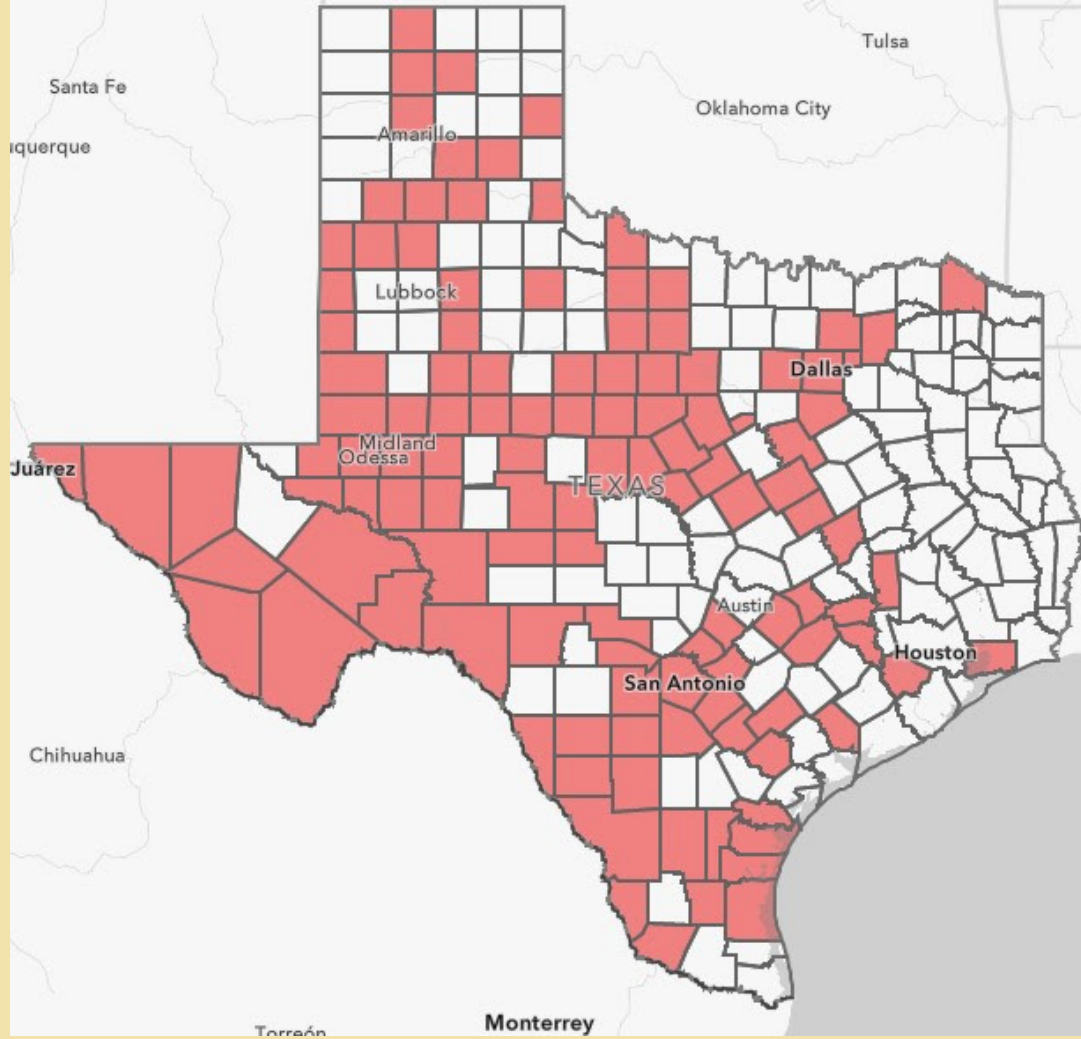
The Guadalupe County Commissions Court has **lifted** the outdoor burn ban in place for Guadalupe County.

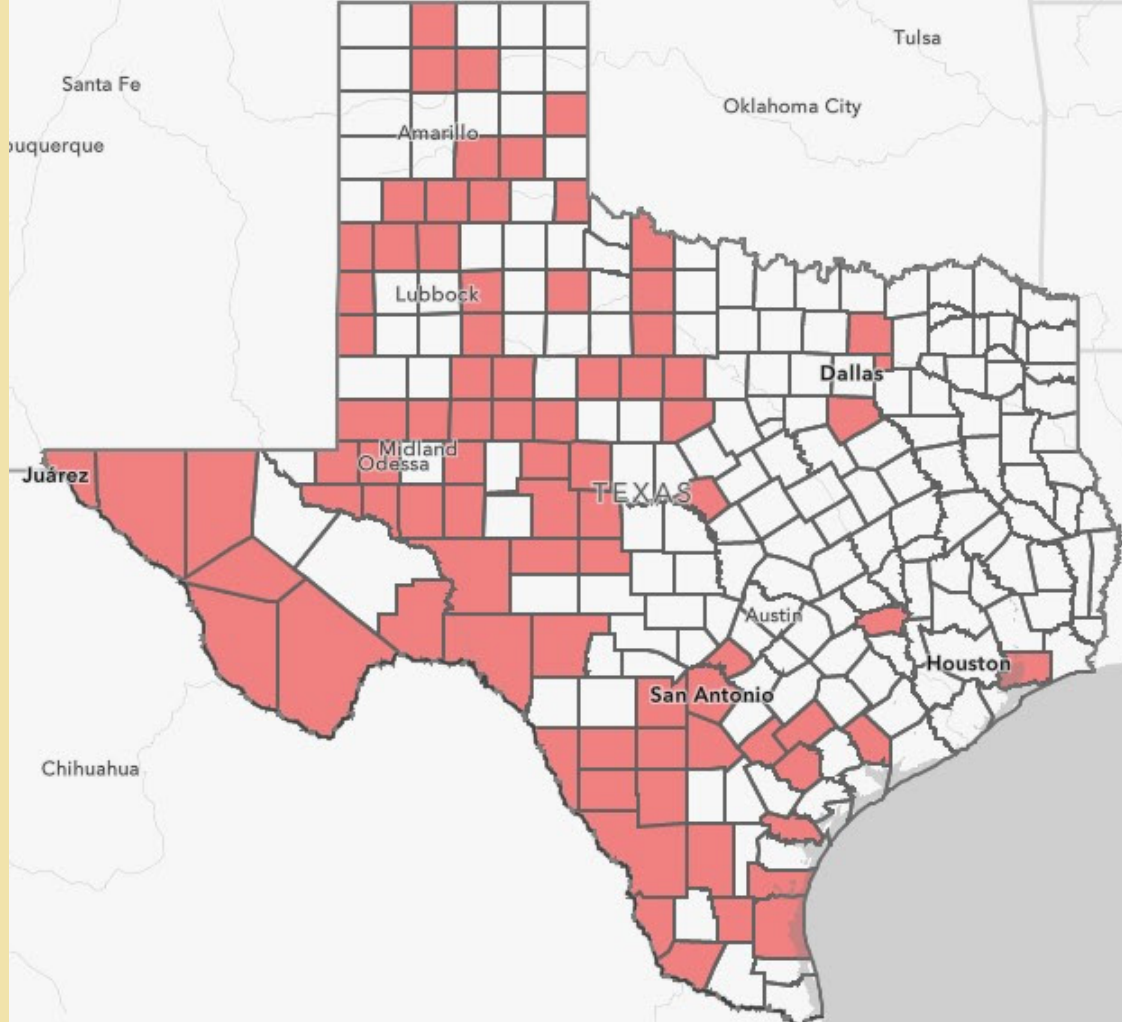
As always, please take precautions and report any fire hazards immediately to the Kingsbury Volunteer Fire Department at 639-4499 or to the Guadalupe Fire Dispatch at 379-1224. To report a fire, please dial 911.



Of the 254 counties in Texas, there are currently 82 that have a burn ban, down from 118 two weeks ago. That's way down and moving in the right direction! Hopefully we'll get some rain soon and keep it going.

Current burn bans by county in Texas two weeks ago and this week:





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.



Kingsbury Lutheran Church

The Kingsbury Evangelists' Lutheran Church and the parsonage (to the left of the church) in 1892 in it's original location. The church was originally on Center Street (known as Kingsbury Road today) which is the **dirt** road in the picture, but was further south in the first block north of the railroad tracks.

The entire church building was moved to it's present location many years ago but the original parsonage is still there today, but just a portion is left (pictured below in 2008).





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