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Kingsbury Texas

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

Memorial Day

Monday, May 30th, is Memorial Day where Americans remember those who died while serving in the country's armed forces.

The first time we honored those who made the **ultimate** sacrifice was May 30, 1868, when, by proclamation of General John A. Logan of the Grand Army of the Republic, the first major Memorial Day observance is held to honor those who died "in defense of their country during the late rebellion." Known to some as "Decoration Day," mourners honored the Civil War dead by decorating their graves with flowers. On the first Decoration Day, General James Garfield made a speech at Arlington National Cemetery, after which 5,000 participants helped to decorate the graves of the more than 20,000 Union and Confederate soldiers buried in the cemetery.

By the late 1800's, many communities across the country had begun to celebrate Memorial Day, and after World War I, observers began to honor the dead of all of America's wars. In 1971, Congress declared Memorial Day a national holiday to be celebrated the last Monday in May. Today, Memorial Day is celebrated at Arlington National Cemetery with a ceremony in which a small American flag is placed on each grave. It is customary for the president or vice president to give a speech honoring the contributions of the dead and to lay a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.



Here Comes June

Wednesday is the first day of the month of June!

The Latin name for June is *Junius*. June is named after the Roman goddess Juno, the goddess of marriage and the wife of the supreme deity Jupiter.

In **ancient** Rome, the period from mid-May through mid-June was considered inauspicious for marriage. Ovid says that he consulted the *Flaminica Dialis*, the high priestess of Jupiter, about setting a date for his daughter's wedding, and was advised to wait till after June 15. Plutarch, however, implies that the entire month of June was more favorable for weddings than May.

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*It is the month of June,  
The month of leaves and roses,  
When pleasant sights salute the eyes,  
And pleasant scents the noses.*  
—N. P. Willis (1807-67)

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June's Birth Flowers - Rose or Honeysuckle



A rose in general indicates love or desire. Specific roses may relate other messages. For example, a white rose may mean "silence" or "I am worthy of you," while a yellow rose signifies "jealousy."



The honeysuckle denotes the bonds of love, or generous and devoted affection.

June's Birthstone - The Pearl



The pearl is the only organic birthstone, formed by a living organism. Pearls are associated with purity, honesty, and calmness. If you dream of a pearl ring, expect romance.

WEATHER LORE



A good leak in June, sets all in tune.



When it is hottest in June, it will be coldest in the corresponding days of the next February.



Rain on St. John's Day, and we may expect a wet harvest.

The entire month of June is also:

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| National Give a Bunch of Balloons Month | National DJ Month |
| African-American Music Appreciation Month | National Zoo and Aquarium Month |
| LGBTQIA Pride Month | Men's Health Month |
| National Accordion Awareness Month | National Adopt a Cat Month |
| National Fresh Fruit and Vegetables Month | National Candy Month |
| National Camping Month | National Caribbean American Month |
| National Country Cooking Month | National Dairy Month |
| National Great Outdoors Month | National Headache and Migraine Awareness Month |
| National Homeownership Month | National Iced Tea Month |
| National Papaya Month | National Pollinators Month |
| National PTSD Awareness Month | National Safety Month |
| National Soul Food Month | Rose Month |
| Turkey Lovers Month | |



The Month of June

Meteors! (Maybe)

While April brought rain showers, May is bringing meteor showers!

A spectacular starry spectacle known as the tau Herculid meteor shower is expected to peak during the night of May 30 into May 31 early morning.

"This is going to be an all or nothing event," according to Bill Cooke, who leads NASA's Meteoroid Environment Office at NASA's Marshall Space Flight Center. Witnessing the phenomenon is dependent on the comet from which it derives. Most meteor showers stem from comets as a result of their debris. It's when Earth passes through the field of fragmented particles that stargazers get to experience the fantastic light show display that occurs in the night sky.

As for the tau Herculid meteor shower, it is described by NASA as a "possible newcomer" this year due to the unpredictability of its corresponding comet 73P/Schwassmann-Wachmann, or "SW3." SW3 was discovered by German observers Arnold Schwassmann and Arno Arthur Wachmann in 1930 but wasn't visible again until the late 1970s due to its extreme faintness. A **fascinating** observation was made in 1995 when it appeared 600 times brighter, becoming viewable to skywatchers with a naked eye.

Astronomers had noticed that its intense radiance was a result of its shatter, "littering its own orbital trail with debris," per NASA. By the time it passed Earth again in 2006, it was fragmented into approximately 70 pieces — and has further splintered since.

Here's everything to know about the starry spectacle, should the SW3 comet's debris clash with Earth's atmosphere this year.

Though it's still uncertain whether or not the tau Herculids will take place this year, but if the comet goes as planned, the meteor shower is expected to peak late at night on May 30 into May 31 early morning.

Fortunately for stargazers in North America, the moon will be in its new moon phase during the time the showers are predicted to take place. This means a 0% illumination will be in effect, resulting in a very dark sky, making it easier to spot the starry display.

According to the Old Farmer's Almanac, maximum activity is set to occur at 1:00 a.m. ET on May 31, Tuesday

morning.



90 On 90

The 90 Miles On 90 Event is more than 90 miles of yard sales and farmers markets set up for browsing and **shopping** along US 90 from Sealy to McQueeney and all towns in between—Columbus, Glidden, Weimar, Schulenburg, Flatonia, Waelder, Harwood, Luling, McQueeney, ... and Kingsbury!

It's coming up Friday and Saturday June 3-4. There will be booths set up in the downtown Kingsbury area and all up and down Hwy 90.

So get ready for some shopping and bargain hunting with over 90 miles of "stores" to check out!



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:

May 29th - National 529 Day, National Coq Au Vin Day, National Paperclip Day

May 30th - Loomis Day, National Creativity Day, National Hole In My Bucket Day, National Mint Julep Day, National Water a Flower Day, World Multiple Sclerosis Day, National Memorial Day

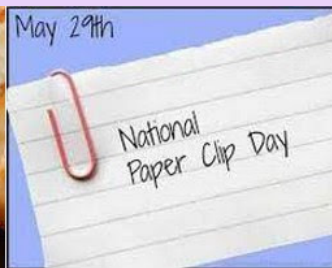
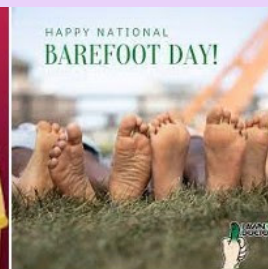
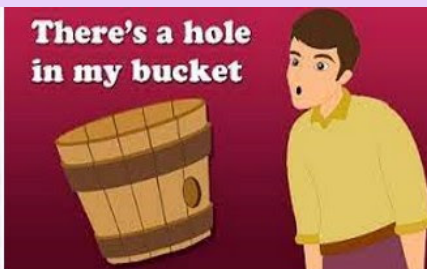
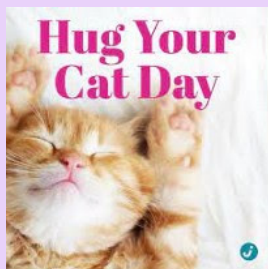
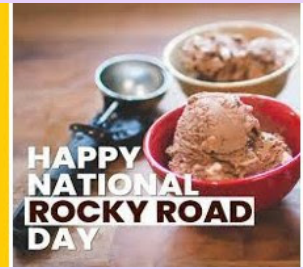
May 31st - Autonomous Vehicle Day, National Macaroon Day, National Save Your Hearing Day, National Smile Day, National Speak in Sentences Day, National Utah Day, Necrotizing Fasciitis Awareness Day

June 1st - National Go Barefoot Day, National Hazelnut Cake Day, National Heimlich Maneuver Day, National Nail Polish Day, National Olive Day, National Penpal Day, National Say Something Nice Day, World Reef Awareness Day, National Running Day

June 2nd - National Bubba Day, National Rocky Road Day, National Rotisserie Chicken Day, National Leave The Office Early Day

June 3rd - National Chocolate Macaroons Day, National Egg Day, National Repeat Day, National Doughnut Day

June 4th - National Cheese Day, National Clean Beauty Day, National Cognac Day, National Hug Your Cat Day, National Old Maid's Day, National SAFE Day, National Black Bear Day, National Bubbly Day, National Prairie Day, National Trails Day



Summerfest 2022

Mark your calendars for the Kingsbury Summerfest!

This year's theme is "Tales From Texas".

Got any **stories** passed down in your family that you'd like to tell? We'd love to hear 'em! Register to be a storyteller at info@habitablespaces.org.

SUMMERFEST 2022

JUNE 4TH, 2022 2PM - 11PM

Tales from Texas



AN EVENING OF STORYTELLING, LIVE MUSIC, FOOD AND FILMS
THIS EVENT IS AT 3050 FM 1104, KINGSBURY, TEXAS, 78638

This event takes place at HABITABLE SPACES

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*Do you have a tale to tell?
If you have a story about the
history of the area from your family's
perspective, we want to
hear it! We will have an open
mic for all tales, big and small.
To register,
email: info@habitablespaces.org*



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Culinary & Farming Art Classes

Habitable Spaces will be holding more **classes** in downtown Kingsbury at the old Fat Chance Saloon. The Sourdough Bread Making class was a blast!

Mark your calendars for these Sundays from Noon to 3.

CULINARY & FARMING ARTS CLASSES

BY HABITABLE SPACES
EVERY THIRD SUNDAY NOON-3PM
AT KINGSBURY FARMER'S MARKET

SOAP | JUNE 19

Join us for a soap making class taught by Sheila McKnight of Cactus Butt Creations. Sheila will teach us how to make soap using lye, goat's milk and other ingredients found on your farm or in nature. Materials Fee: \$20

CHEESE | JULY 17

Alison Heinemeier will teach a class on artisan cheese production with a hands on demonstration. We will discuss the process by which cheese is made, different methods, cultures and ideology around cheese, and of course, we will taste a bunch of cheese! Materials Fee: \$20

HERBAL WINE | AUG 21

Herbal wines are made from native botanicals, and their tastes can be surprising as well as healthy tonics for the mind, body and spirit. We will make wine, and taste herbal wines for this class. Must be 21 and over to participate!

Kingsbury Market

There will be a **Market** in downtown Kingsbury today and every Sunday, weather permitting. The event will be in



*Downtown Kingsbury
From noon to 3
Every Sunday*

You'll be able to pick up farm fresh eggs and produce. Handcrafted items, homemade pies, cakes, and other baked goods are usually also available.





Vacation Bible School

"SPARK STUDIOS"

June 13-17, 2022

CREATED IN CHRIST, DESIGNED FOR GOD'S PURPOSE

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Vacation Bible School

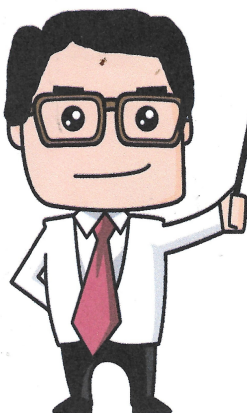
5:30 PM – 8:00 PM

Kingsbury Baptist Church

6901 FM 2438

Kingsbury, Tx 78638

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Hurricane Season Starts

Wednesday, June 1st, is the start of the 2022 hurricane season!

Yet another above-normal Atlantic hurricane season is expected this year. Forecasters at NOAA's Climate Prediction Center, a division of the National Weather Service, are predicting above-average hurricane activity this year — which would make it the seventh consecutive above-average hurricane season. NOAA's outlook for the 2022 Atlantic hurricane season, which extends from June 1 to November 30, predicts a 65% chance of an above-normal season, a 25% chance of a near-normal season and a 10% chance of a below-normal season.

For the 2022 hurricane season, NOAA is forecasting a likely range of 14 to 21 named storms (winds of 39 mph or higher), of which 6 to 10 could become hurricanes (winds of 74 mph or higher), including 3 to 6 major hurricanes (category 3, 4 or 5; with winds of 111 mph or higher). NOAA provides these ranges with a 70% confidence.

Full-blown hurricanes have winds capable of removing shingles and taking down power lines. So-called "major" hurricanes have winds strong enough to snap trees and tear off roofs.

The increased activity anticipated this hurricane season is attributed to several climate factors, including the ongoing La Niña that is likely to persist throughout the hurricane season, warmer-than-average sea surface temperatures in the Atlantic Ocean and Caribbean Sea, weaker tropical Atlantic trade winds and an enhanced west African monsoon. An enhanced west African monsoon supports stronger African Easterly Waves, which seed many of the strongest and longest lived hurricanes during most seasons. The way in which climate change impacts the strength and frequency of tropical cyclones is a continuous area of study for NOAA scientists.

That suggests increasing hurricane risk, as big, wet storms become more likely.

While Kingsbury is well inland of any direct hit from a hurricane, we all know that the massive storms can create weather havoc across the state.



And Texas has had some of the biggest storms ever to make landfall:

1900 Galveston Hurricane - The deadliest natural disaster in United States history to this day. More than 8,000 people lost their lives when surprise hurricane storm tides of 8 to 15 feet inundated the entire island city of Galveston. The damage from that storm can still be seen today.

Hurricane Audrey - June 27, 1957 - Made landfall near the Texas-Louisiana border with a storm surge in excess of 12 feet.

Hurricane Carla - September 10, 1961 - Carla was the largest and most intense Gulf Coast hurricane in decades and caused the largest mass evacuation to that date as one-half million residents were evacuated to higher ground.

Hurricane Beulah - September 20, 1967 - Along with an 18 foot storm surge that created 31 new channels through Padre Island, Beulah spawned an unsurpassed number of tornadoes.

Hurricane Celia - August 3, 1970 - Celia was one of the most destructive storms to ever hit Texas. As it moved over land after hitting Corpus Christi, spectacular damage occurred from a cluster of powerful downbursts or microbursts with winds as high as 160 mph.

Hurricane Allen - August 9-10, 1980 - The first male-named storm to hit Texas, Allen was one of the most intense hurricanes ever, reaching Category 5 status three times before it made landfall north of Brownsville.

Hurricane Alicia - August 18, 1983 - Alicia was the first hurricane to strike the Continental U.S. since Allen in 1980. It was the longest period that the U.S. mainland had gone without a hurricane landfall.

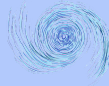
Tropical Storm Allison - June 5, 2001 - Although not a hurricane, Allison made landfall near Freeport and stalled over eastern Texas for several days, dropping extreme amounts of rain which lead to catastrophic flooding. Allison caused 23 deaths in the state, and is the only non-hurricane strength storm to have its name retired.

Hurricane Rita - September 24, 2005 - Rita made landfall as a Category 3 hurricane on the border between

Louisiana and Texas. In preparation of its landfall, the largest evacuation in U.S. history takes place, with over 3 million people evacuating inland.

Hurricane Ike - September 13, 2008 - Ike made landfall at Galveston as a large Category 2 hurricane with a storm surge as high as 20 feet which inundated many of the barrier islands. On the Bolivar peninsula, in the town of Gilchrist, all but one house is destroyed by the surge. It is one of the deadliest storms to ever hit Texas, causing 84 deaths.

Hurricane Harvey - August 25–28, 2017 – Hurricane Harvey makes landfall near the coast of Rockport as a Category 4 hurricane and later stalls just inland, producing extreme and unprecedented amounts of rainfall in the vast majority of southern Texas. The resulting catastrophic flooding in most of Houston and Harris County as well as in dozens of other surrounding counties causes an estimated \$125 billion in damage, making Harvey the costliest tropical cyclone worldwide, as well as the costliest tropical cyclone in Texas history.



2022 Hurricane Names

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| Alex | Bonnie | Colin |
| Danielle | Earl | Fiona |
| Gaston | Hermine | Ian |
| Julia | Karl | Lisa |
| Martin | Nicole | Owen |
| Paula | Richard | Shary |
| Tobias | Virginie | Walter |

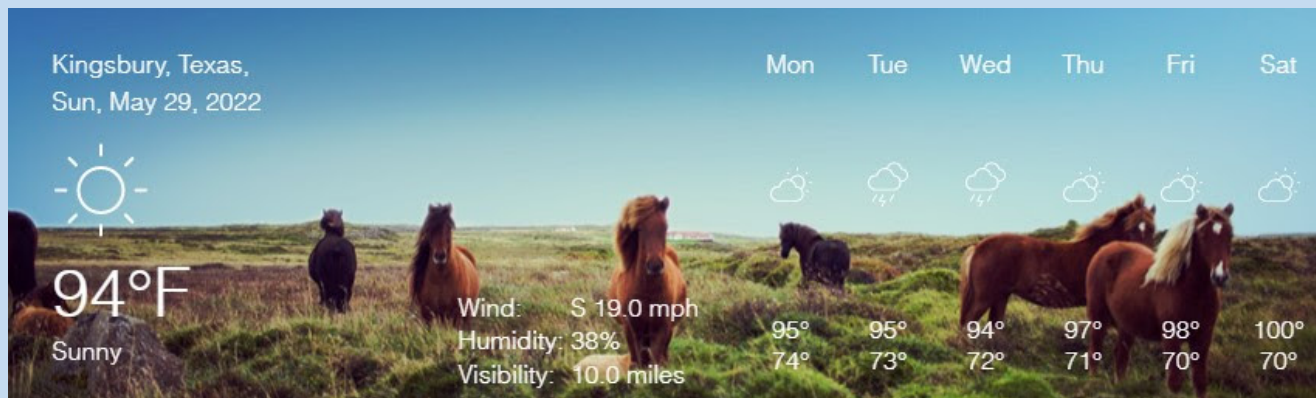
If more than 21 storms are named this year, the next storms will take names from an alternate list of names instead of going through the Greek alphabet as has historically been done.

Although we can get hit by the storm bands here in Kingsbury, and hurricane-spawned tornadoes have occurred in central Texas, we escape the brunt of any Gulf storm.

Here's hoping for an uneventful tropical season this year!



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 VFD Annual Bar-B-Q

We are gearing up for the KVFD Bar-B-Q Fundraiser on July 30th!

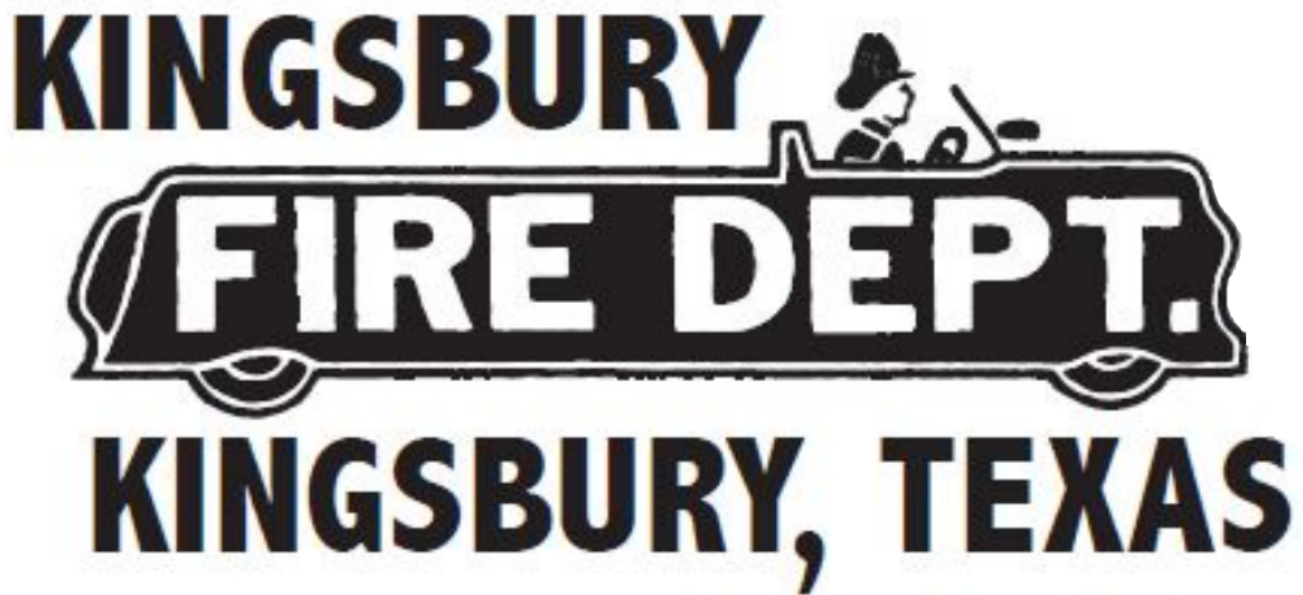
This is the annual benefit Bar-B-Q which is the primary fundraiser for the Fire Department, and held each year on the last Saturday in July.

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 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!

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



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Know Your Supply Chain

A Step In Time!

A picture taken in Kingsbury with writing describing it as "Old Hotel" and "Coates Gin."

The gin is in the background and is the cotton gin owned by A. T. Coates. Albert Thadeus Coates was born September 25, 1866 in Missouri and lived in Kingsbury until he passed on November 22, 1955. The tall **smokestack** in the background may have been part of the cotton gin also.

The "old hotel" is the building on the right and is actually the old Wolfshohl Hotel. There are stacks and stacks of wood on the left side of the picture - for the wood burning stoves and fireplaces? For steam engines? Fence posts? For the lumber yard?



Old Hotel

A Step in Time! *codfossin*

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Send them this email! All they need to do is go to the [Kingsbury website](http://www.kingsburytexas.org), 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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