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News & Information Newsletter*Dear Kingsbury,**Here's the latest on what's going on in Kingsbury!***Correction to original Newsletter: The next Kingsbury City Commission meeting is Monday, June 15th.**

Sorry for any confusion!

First Day Of Summer!

This Saturday, June 20th, is the first day of Summer! In our Central time zone, Summer actually doesn't start until 4:44 p.m. on Saturday so enjoy the last of Spring on Saturday morning!

This is only the "summer" solstice in the Northern Hemisphere. It is the winter solstice in the Southern Hemisphere.


The timing of the solstice depends on when the Sun reaches its northernmost point from the equator. The word solstice is from the Latin *solstitium*, from *sol* (sun) and *stitium* (to stop), reflecting the fact that the Sun appears to stop at this time (and again at the winter solstice).


In temperate regions, we notice that the Sun is higher in the sky throughout the day, and its rays strike Earth at a more direct angle, causing the efficient warming we call summer.

This summer solstice is the day with the most hours of **sunlight** during the whole year. At the winter solstice, just the opposite occurs: The Sun is at its southernmost point and is low in the sky. Its rays hit the Northern Hemisphere at an oblique angle, creating the feeble winter sunlight.




Question: Why isn't the summer solstice—the longest day of the year—also the hottest day of the year?
Answer: Earth's atmosphere, land, and oceans absorb part of the incoming energy from the Sun and store it, releasing it back as heat at various rates. Water is slower to heat (or cool) than air or land. At the summer solstice, the Northern Hemisphere receives the most energy (highest intensity) from the Sun due to the angle of sunlight and day length. However, the land and oceans are still relatively cool, due to spring's temperatures, so the maximum heating effect on air temperature is not felt just yet. Eventually, the land and, especially, oceans will release stored heat from the summer solstice back into the atmosphere. This usually results in the year's hottest temperatures appearing in late July, August, or later, depending on latitude and other factors. This effect is called seasonal temperature lag.

Fun Facts

 In Sweden, people celebrate the Summer Solstice by eating the first strawberries of the season.

 In ancient Egypt, summer was the start of the new year. The rising of the star Sirius roughly coincided with the summer solstice and the annual flooding of the Nile River.

SUMMER SOLSTICE FOLKLORE

-  *Deep snow in winter, tall grain in summer. –Estonian proverb*
-  *When the summer birds take their flight, goes the summer with them.*
-  *If it rains on Midsummer's Eve, the filbert crops will be spoiled. –Unknown*

☀️ *One swallow never made a summer.*

☀️ *Easterly winds from May 19 to the 21 indicate a dry summer.*

☀️ *If there are many falling stars during a clear summer evening, expect thunder. If there are none, expect fine weather.*



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 our Kingsbury.

Check out the "Kingsbury City Limits" page on the Kingsbury [website](#) 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!



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 14 - Army Birthday, International Bath Day, National Strawberry Shortcake Day, National Pop Goes the Weasel Day, National Flag Day, National Bourbon Day, National New Mexico Day, National Children's Day

June 15 - National Smile Power Day, Nature Photography Day

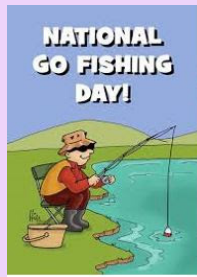
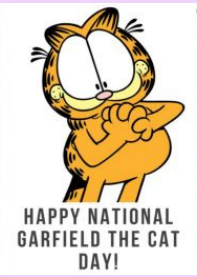
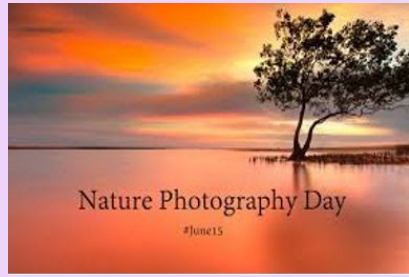
June 16 - National Fudge Day

June 17 - Global Garbage Man Day, National Eat Your Vegetables Day, National Stewart's Root Beer Day, National Apple Strudel Day, National Cherry Tart Day

June 18 - National Go Fishing Day, National Splurge Day, National Career Nurse Assistants Day

June 19 - National FreeBSD Day, National Garfield the Cat Day, Juneteenth, National Martini Day, National Watch Day, Wear BLUE Day, National Take Back the Lunch Break Day, National Flip Flop Day

June 20 - National Kouign Amann Day, American Eagle Day, International Nystagmus Day, National Hike with a Geek Day, National Vanilla Milkshake Day, National Ice Cream Soda Day, Ann and Samantha Day, National Seashell Day, Summer Begins



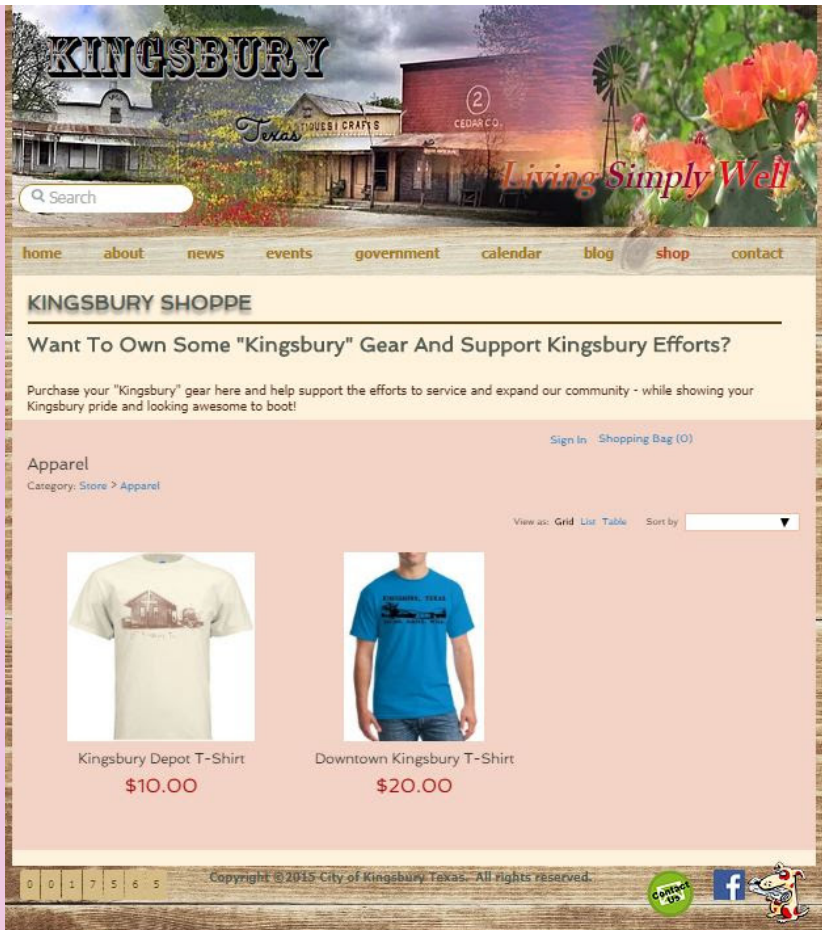
Kingsbury T-Shirts - Now Available Online!

You can now order your awesome Kingsbury T-Shirt online and have it arrive at your door! Just go to the Kingsbury website and click "SHOP" and select the items you want. Pay with a credit card or PayPal and then just wait for your new, fabulous Kingsbury wear to come to you!

The new Kingsbury T-Shirts have a graphic of downtown Kingsbury on Railway street and the Kingsbury logo: **LIVING. SIMPLY. WELL.** That says it all, doesn't it?! They're \$20 and are available in blue, pink, turquoise, red, and the classic black.

The Kingsbury depot T-shirts are also available on the website in the Kingsbury Shoppe that have an image of the old Kingsbury Depot that stood next to the tracks across from the old Post Office. One of the steam locomotives that used to stop here in Kingsbury is shown idling next to the depot, waiting for the next car load of cattle or travelers to New Orleans or San Francisco. The image includes the original writing at the bottom of the picture: "Depot KiNGsbury TEX." The back of the shirt has the Kingsbury logo "LIVING. SIMPLY. WELL." and the Kingsbury website. They're a bargain at just \$10!

Visit the Kingsbury website at www.kingsburytexas.org to get your new T-shirt sent to you today!



Volunteer Work Days at Pioneer Flight Museum

The Old Kingsbury Aerodrome and the Pioneer Flight Museum are on Pershing Lane just off of FM 1104 in Kingsbury.

They usually have one or two days a month where they invite **volunteers** to come and help with the buildings, grounds, planes, vehicles, and other equipment.

The next Volunteer Work Day will be **Saturday, June 20th**

There's always projects that should pique a variety of interests: the WWI Dodd Field Hangar and Car Barn, are still "works in progress", plus there are always aircraft and Model T's that need TLC. Please consider joining and helping out!



Farmers Market

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



*Downtown Kingsbury
From noon to 3
Every Sunday*



The event will be outside so you will be able to have the 6 foot safe distancing that is recommended and still be able to pick up **farm fresh** eggs and produce. Homemade pies and baked goods are also usually available.



Plant starts, fruit trees, herbs, Kingsbury T-shirts, planter boxes, and homemade soaps are usually on hand also.



Flag Day

This week in history, on June 14, 1777, during the American Revolution, the Second Continental Congress adopts a resolution stating that “the flag of the United States be thirteen alternate stripes red and white” and that “the Union be thirteen stars, white in a blue field, representing a new Constellation.” The national flag, which became known as the “Stars and Stripes,” was based on the “Grand Union” flag, a banner carried by the Continental Army in 1776 that also consisted of 13 red and white stripes.

According to **legend**, Philadelphia seamstress Betsy Ross designed the new canton for the Stars and Stripes, which consisted of a circle of 13 stars and a blue background, at the request of General George Washington. Historians have been unable to conclusively prove or disprove this legend.

With the entrance of new states into the United States after independence, new stripes and stars were added to represent new additions to the Union. In 1818, however, Congress enacted a law stipulating that the 13 original stripes be restored and that only stars be added to represent new states.

On June 14, 1877, the first Flag Day observance was held on the 100th anniversary of the adoption of the Stars and Stripes. As instructed by Congress, the U.S. flag was flown from all public buildings across the country. In the years after the first Flag Day, several states continued to observe the anniversary, and in 1949 Congress officially designated June 14 as Flag Day, a national day of observance.



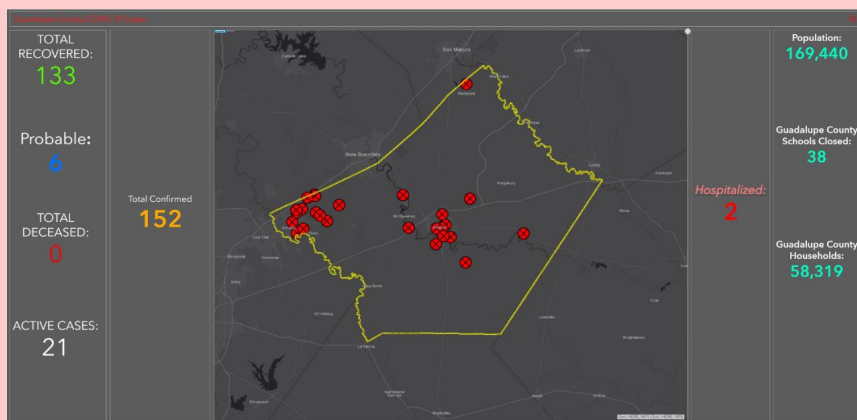
COVID-19 In Guadalupe County

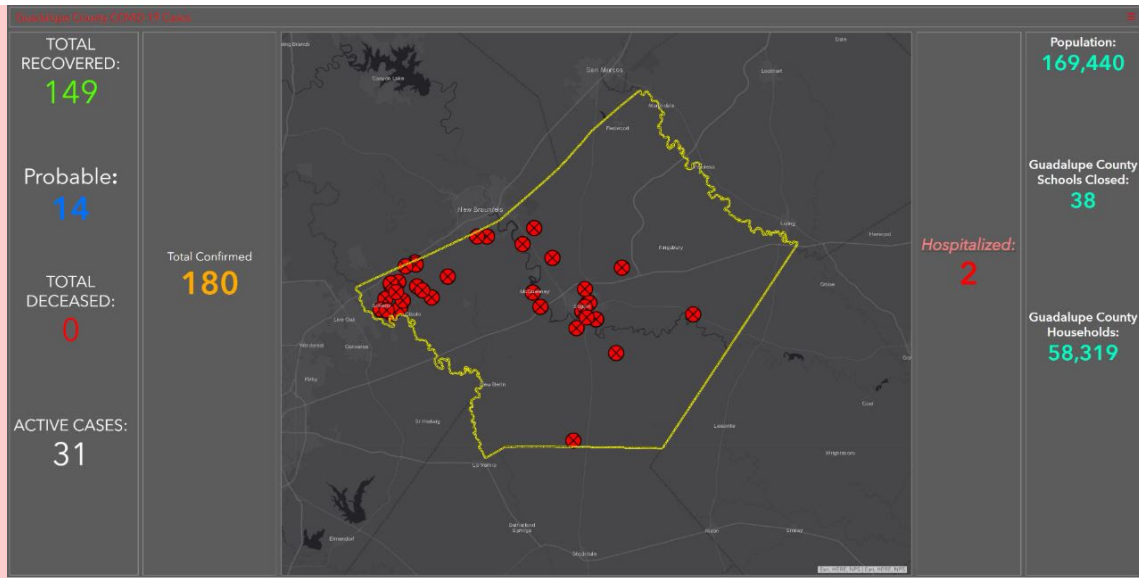
As the world goes through the Coronavirus COVID-19 pandemic, we are all looking for information on the impact in our area. A good place for **info** is on the Guadalupe County website. The county has a "dashboard" showing cases of the virus on a county map, the numbers of recoveries, number of people hospitalized, etc.

It's good to know what is going on around the globe, but it's probably even more important to know what's happening in our immediate area. The dashboard can be found here: https://www.co.guadalupe.tx.us/commcourt/covid-19_dashboard.php

As expected, the number of cases has taken a jump as businesses continue to open. Last week there were 21 active cases and this week there are 31. The good news is that there are still no deaths due to the virus in Guadalupe County.

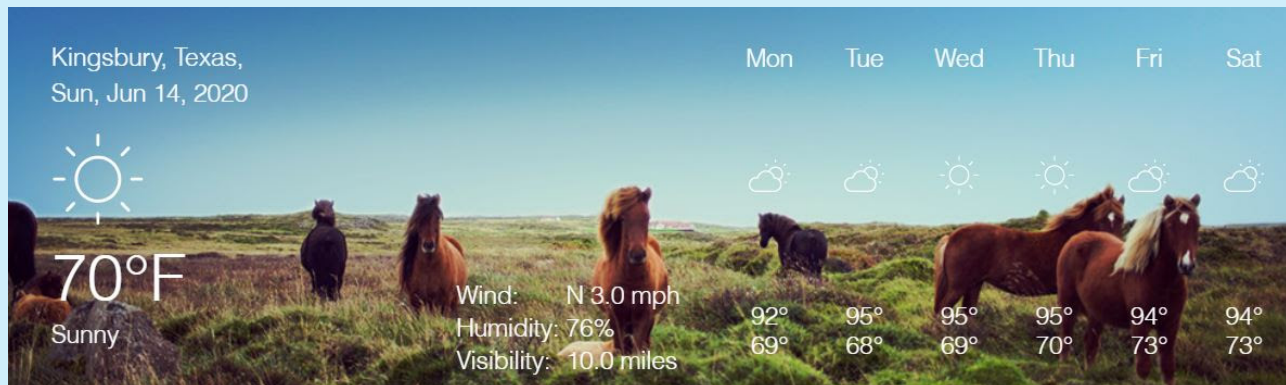
Below are the dashboards from last week and this week.





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.

 [Click here to check out the Texas Water Development Board "Baker Ranch" weather](#)

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, June 15th

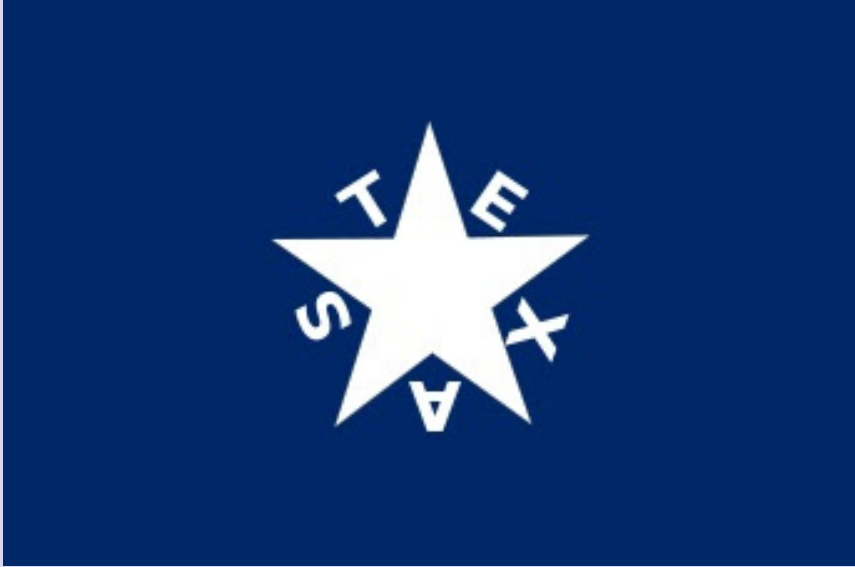
at 6:30 in the Kingsbury Volunteer Fire Department fire station at [1060 FM 1104](#).

Items on the **agenda**:

- ★ Railroad work and temporary crossing closure
- ★ YOLO Texas and media kit
- ★ City limits sign
- ★ Update on grant opportunities
- ★ Voluntary annexations

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

All city commission meetings are open to the public.



Class Picture

A class picture of the Kingsbury School around 1900. At that time, the Kingsbury School was in the building that is now the Kingsbury Methodist Church on FM 2438. The building was used as the Kingsbury school house from 1876 to 1917.

In the picture, many of the girls are wearing **corsages** and many of the boys are wearing boutonnières. Several of the girls have large flower arrangements with greenery on their laps. It was obviously a special day! It was so special that two little girls seated in the center of the front row have their Teddy bears on their laps and the little girl at the far left has her Teddy bear sitting on the floor in front of her.

The desks have a few books and pencils on them and one on the right has a table bell on it. All the desks also have holes for ink wells in the front.

The back wall has several pictures on it. The picture to the left of the door appears to be a large building, and the picture second from the left to the right of the door is a big, white rooster.

The chalk board on the back wall shows the subjects being studied: A. Arithmetic, C. Arithmetic, D. Arithmetic, B. Arithmetic, E. Arithmetic, Physical Geography, Geography, Composition, B. Grammar, B. Algebra, Texas History, A. Algebra, Physiology, U. S. History, A. Grammar, and Civil Government.

Quite the education!

The back of the picture shows it was a post card addressed to Katie Jones, Kingsbury, Tex. There was a Katie Jones born in Kingsbury in 1896 and married John Carroll. Katie was a descendant of Stephen Austin's first settlers, "The Old 300", and the original Texas Rangers. She graduated from Southwest Texas State Teachers College and was known for her artistic talents. She was an annual participant in the State Fair of Texas, winning prizes for her pickles and jellies and baking entries. She also displayed her fine needlecraft and quilting projects. Is this Katie Jones possibly a little girl in the picture?





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Thanks!

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