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Kingsbury Texas

News & Information Newsletter



Dear Kingsbury,

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

Valentine's Day

This Thursday is Valentine's Day.

The traditions of Valentine's Day are broad and many. It is a time to exchange cards or small gifts. Chocolates, flowers, jewelry, and **romantic** dinners are the big hits of this holiday. It is a romantic event for lovers, and a fun event for kids and family. Many a couple become engaged or wed on this day. For others it is a day to fall in love.

But it didn't start that way!

On February 14, around the year 278 A.D., Valentine, a holy priest in Rome in the days of Emperor Claudius II, was executed.

Under the rule of Claudius the Cruel, Rome was involved in many unpopular and bloody campaigns. The emperor had to maintain a strong army, but was having a difficult time getting soldiers to join his military leagues. Claudius believed that Roman men were unwilling to join the army because of their strong attachment to their wives and families.

To get rid of the problem, Claudius banned all marriages and engagements in Rome. Valentine, realizing the injustice of the decree, defied Claudius and continued to perform marriages for young lovers in secret. When Valentine's actions were discovered, Claudius ordered that he be put to death. Valentine was arrested and dragged before the Prefect of Rome, who condemned him to be beaten to death with clubs and to have his head cut off. The sentence was carried out on February 14, on or about the year 270.

Legend also has it that while in jail, St. Valentine left a farewell note for the jailer's daughter, who had become his friend, and signed it "From Your Valentine."

For his great service, Valentine was named a saint after his death.

Did you know? While 75% of chocolate purchases are made by women all year long, during the days and minutes before Valentine's Day, 75% of the chocolate purchases are made by men.

Just sayin'!

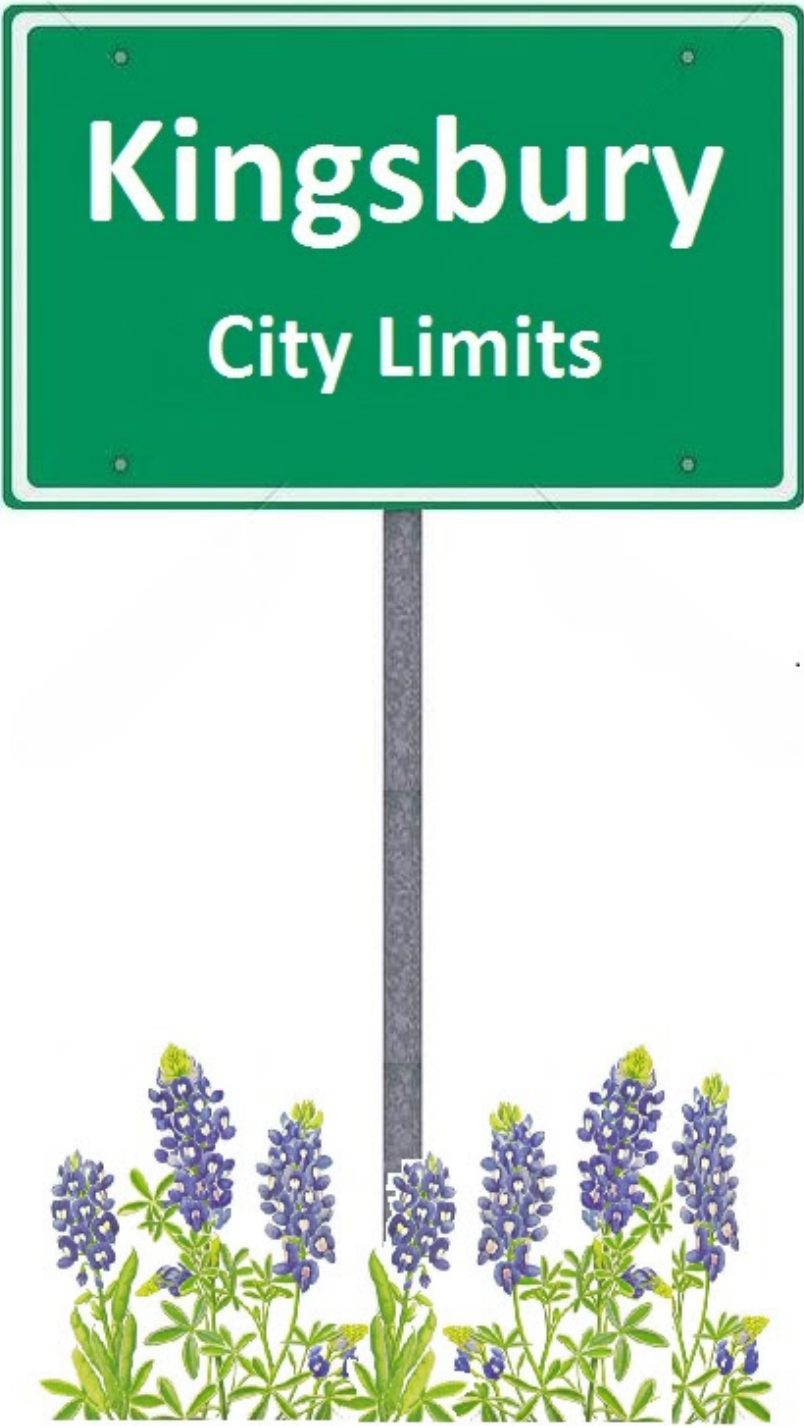
Happy
Valentine's Day



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 [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:

February 10 - National Home Warranty Day, National Umbrella Day, National Cream Cheese Brownie Day
February 11 - National Make a Friend Day, National Don't Cry Over Spilled Milk Day, National White Shirt Day,

National Shut-In Visitation Day, National Peppermint Patty Day, National Inventors' Day, National Clean Out Your Computer Day
February 12 - National Plum Pudding Day
February 13 - Break Up With Your Carrier Day, National Cheddar Day, National Tortellini Day
February 14 - National Organ Donor Day, National Ferris Wheel Day, National Cream-Filled Chocolates Day, Valentines Day
February 15 - National Gumdrop Day, Singles Awareness Day, National Wisconsin Day, National Caregivers Day, No One Eats Alone Day
February 16 - National Almond Day, National Do A Grouch a Favor Day



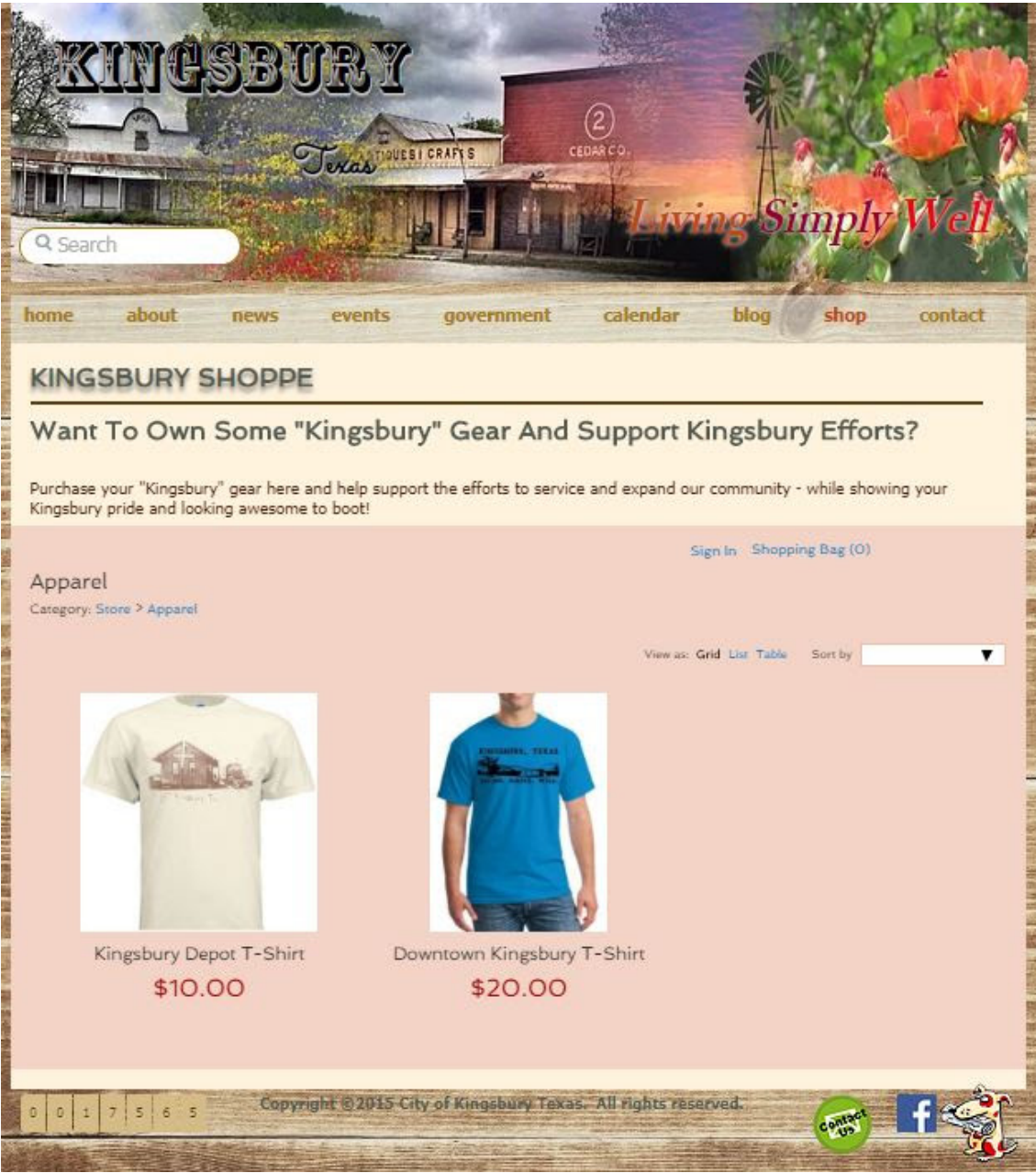
Kingsbury T-Shirts - Now Available Online!

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!



Stopping Forced Annexation

During the last legislative session, counties in Texas were designated as Tier 1 (less than 500,000 in population) and Tier 2 (greater than 500,000 in population) and the cities in a Tier 2 county can no longer force annex people's property into their city limits - the people get a chance to vote on being annexed or not. If a county is a Tier 1 (like Guadalupe), the cities in it can still forcibly annex properties, giving the annexed property owners no choice but to pay that city's property **taxes** and abide by their laws, and restrictions.

But there is a way to have a Tier 1 county designated as a Tier 2 and stop forced annexations. When 10% of the registered voters in the county sign a petition, the county must add a proposition to the next election that gives the citizens the chance to vote on changing the county to a Tier 2. Several counties in Texas have already had a petition drive to get the Tier 2 designation on the ballot and have voted with a resounding "Yes" - Parker, Wise, Johnson, Freestone, Palo Pinto, Ellis, and Atascosa. Many others, like Guadalupe, are now working to get that proposition on their next ballot.

The City of Kingsbury, by law and by conscience, only annexes when requested by the landowner. The city leaders do not believe in forced annexation and were some of the first to sign the petition to change Guadalupe county to a Tier 2. If you would also like to join the effort and sign a petition, you can contact Kingsbury City Commissioner Frank Ignasiak at (830) 433-1668 or Mayor Shirley Nolen at (830) 491-8863 or at 323-KINGSBURY. They can drop off and pick up petition sheets anywhere in the Kingsbury area. Curbside service!

You can also check out the effort on the web at www.stopforcedannexation-gc.com and on FaceBook at www.facebook.com/StopForcedAnnexationinGuadalupeCounty/

The deadline for delivery of the petitions has been extended to the end of February in order to get the proposition on the May ballot. That's just

19

days from today
so get involved and call now!



DONT TREAD ON ME

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, February 16th

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!



Kingsbury News Past

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

The December 3, 1902 edition of the *Shiner Gazette* has a wonderful little article on the wedding of Miss Maggie Fahrenthold of Bertram and Mr. H.E. Bertram, "a prosperous young farmer of Kingsbury." The wedding took place in Dreyer which is now just a stop sign at the intersection of FM 443 and FM 370 about 7 miles southwest of Shiner. In 1902, though, Dreyer had a population of about 100 and it sounds like the food, drink, and cigars were flowing all evening and a high time was had by all!

A Wedding At Dreyer.

BERTRAM-FAHRENTHOLD.

Dreyer, Texas, Nov. 27.

Ring! Ring! Ring! Listen to the ringing of the wedding bells! Married at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Fahrenthold, their daughter Miss Maggie O. Fahrenthold to Mr. H. E. Bertram, of Kingsbury. The bride is one of our most accomplished young ladies and the groom is a prosperous young farmer of Kingsbury. We offer congratulations. The wedding took place Wednesday evening at 2 o'clock and all were invited to partake of bounteous feast, where the table seemed fairly groaning with its load of eatables. Refreshments were not forgotten in the shape of wine, beer and cigars and so feasting, drinking music, were the continued program till 11 p. m., when the guests departed with congratulations for the young couple and praise for the hospitality of their host and hostess.

Elsewhere, the owners of the Bank Saloon picked a great name ("Of course I'm not going drinking - I'm just going to the Bank"), Lion Coffee is giving out free Christmas Games, and in Local News you can get your hair singed at Koepke's (a method of removing unwanted hair by using fire), and while you're there, you can get a hot or cold bath (who in the world wants a cold bath?!). There were quite a number of little one-liners in the paper, "owing to hard times and a scarcity of money" A.V. Schvab has their Holiday Goods on sale, and tint your butter with June Tint Butter Color (I know that's the only butter color *I* use).

Bank SALOON. WM. JAEGER, Proprietor.

I wish to notify my Friends and the General Public that I have opened a **New Saloon**, in the WOLTERS Building, and will keep in stock FINE WHISKIES, WINE, BEER AND CIGARS, as Good as the Best. Call and see me.

Shiner, - - - Texas.

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In each pound package of **Lion Coffee**

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Get Lion Coffee and a Free Game at Your Grocers.

LOCAL NEWS.

Hair singeing a specialty at A. C. Koepke's.

The rainy season seems to have set in, in dead earnest.

Mrs. Frank Vrazel of Gonzales was here one day last week, visiting relatives.

—For a nice shave go to A. C. Koepke's.

Mr. Alex. Goeth, of Rosenberg, was in the city last Sunday, visiting old friends.

—Hot and cold baths, at A. C. Koepke's.

The man with the bighead usually is the man with the small mind.

Liquor will not drown sorrow—it merely floats it to the top.

A. V. SCHVAB.
SANTA CLAUS' HEADQUARTERS.

Owing to Hard Times And A scarcity of Money, I offer my large and complete stock of Holiday Goods At Greatly Reduced PRICES.

I have hundreds of nice articles on hand suitable for Christmas presents, therefore You will Have No Trouble in Selecting.

Everybody Come and Inspect My Stock.

A. V. SCHVAB, Shiner, Texas.

All creameries use butter color. Why not do as they do—use **JUNE TINT BUTTER COLOR.**

Also in Shiner, get your Pearl Beer from Agent F.P. Luck (the Spoetzl Brewery wouldn't start up until 1909 so there was no Shiner Beer yet in Shiner), there was a "serious accident" on the Texas (the first *USS Texas* was undergoing a refit in Virginia at the time), and poor Mr. McRady was in the caboose of a train when it was rear-ended by another - now he's just a "mere handful" of bones. If you have skunk or possum skins A.E. Burkhardt in Cincinnati want one million of 'em, get Mustang Liniment for "burns or scalds" on you or your "beast", and here's a "burglar alarm" you can set up with open flame - does *not* sound safe to me!



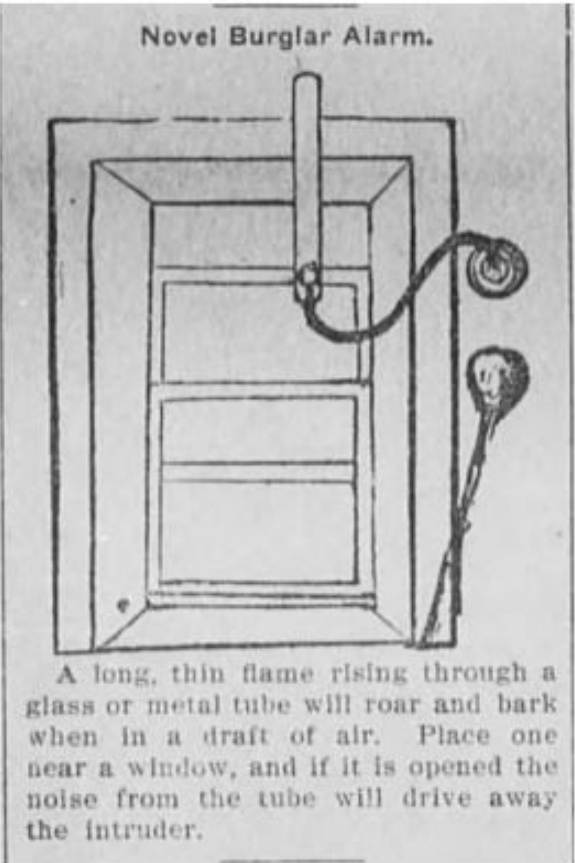
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ACCIDENT ON TEXAS.
Washington—Captain Swineburne reports a serious accident on the Texas. One of the twelve-inch guns is out of commission.

Optimism is a bridge that carries men across the gulf of despair.

Fatal Rearend Collision.
Witchia Falls, Texas, November 26. —In a tailend freight collision on the Fort Worth and Denver, twelve miles from this place, near Jolly, at 3 o'clock this morning, J. E. McRady, an emigrant from Tennessee en route to Hereford, Texas, was killed and totally cremated, the caboose in which he was riding taking fire after the wreck. McRady's bones, a mere handful, were brought to this city and his family notified.

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Farm To Table 50/50 Dinner

The Habitable Spaces sustainable farm and artist residency will be having yet another fun event!

On Saturday, February 23rd from 4 pm to 8 pm, the folks at Habitable Spaces will be having a farm to table dinner at the Railway Lounge (in downtown Kingsbury) created by Mise Co. from Seguin. Mise Co is Veronica Fox and Lionel Guerra. This husband and wife dream team push each other and the boundaries of American cuisine to produce incredible dishes. Their mission is to bring **delicious**, local and sustainable food options to their town with a pop-up restaurant and catering services.

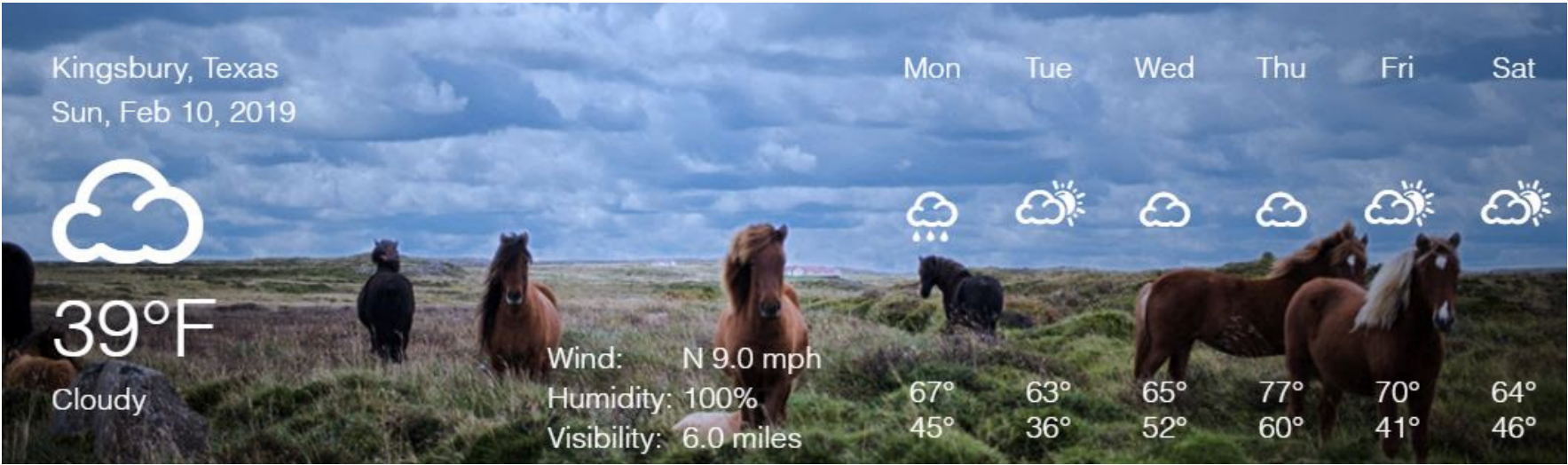
The feast includes appetizers, salad, soup, main courses, and desserts. A vegetarian feast is also available.

This dinner is \$50 and you can view the menu and buy tickets through the Habitable Spaces Website at www.habitablespaces.org.



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](#)

"Transit" Art Show

On Friday, February 22nd from 6pm to 9pm, the Habitable Spaces sustainable farm and artist residency will be hosting a group art show curated by artist Ronny Lischinski from Berlin.

The show will be at the Railway Lounge in downtown Kingsbury and feature artists from Berlin and the South Central Texas area. The theme is Transit - the migrational **patterns** of humans over the ages, specifically the migration of many Germans to the Kingsbury area with the promise of a "land of milk and honey."

The art opening is free and open to the public!



Busy Highway

A picture of a very busy **Highway 90** in the early 1940s where some Kingsbury girls have taken over the road! The girls are (L to R): Gloria Halm, Joyce Hurt, Dorothy Chessher, and Glenda Ferrell.



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