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

Reopening Texas

The next step of reopening the Texas economy during the ongoing coronavirus pandemic will go into effect on

Monday, May 18th at 12:01 a.m.

Governor Abbott is expected to make an announcement on Monday that may address when bars and childcare facilities can reopen, but **certain** businesses are already slated to get up and running that day:



Gyms and other exercise facilities can open so long as they do not exceed 25% of the listed capacity for the facility, the showers and locker areas are kept closed, equipment is disinfected after each use, people use gloves that cover the entire hand and fingers while they work out, and social distancing practices are maintained.



Office spaces will be permitted to reopen and allow up to five individuals or 25% of the total listed occupancy, whichever is greater, so long as proper social distancing practices are maintained.



Non-essential manufacturing businesses will be able to reopen, so long as the number of people in the building does not exceed 25% of the total listed occupancy limit, and proper social distancing practices are followed.

As we traverse these strange times, follow the recommended guidelines and Stay Safe!



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 17th - National Pack Rat Day, National Cherry Cobbler Day, National Graduation Tassel Day, National Walnut Day, National Idaho Day, Take Your Parents To The Playground Day

May 18th - National HIV Vaccine Awareness Day, National Visit Your Relatives Day, National No Dirty Dishes Day, National Cheese Soufflé Day

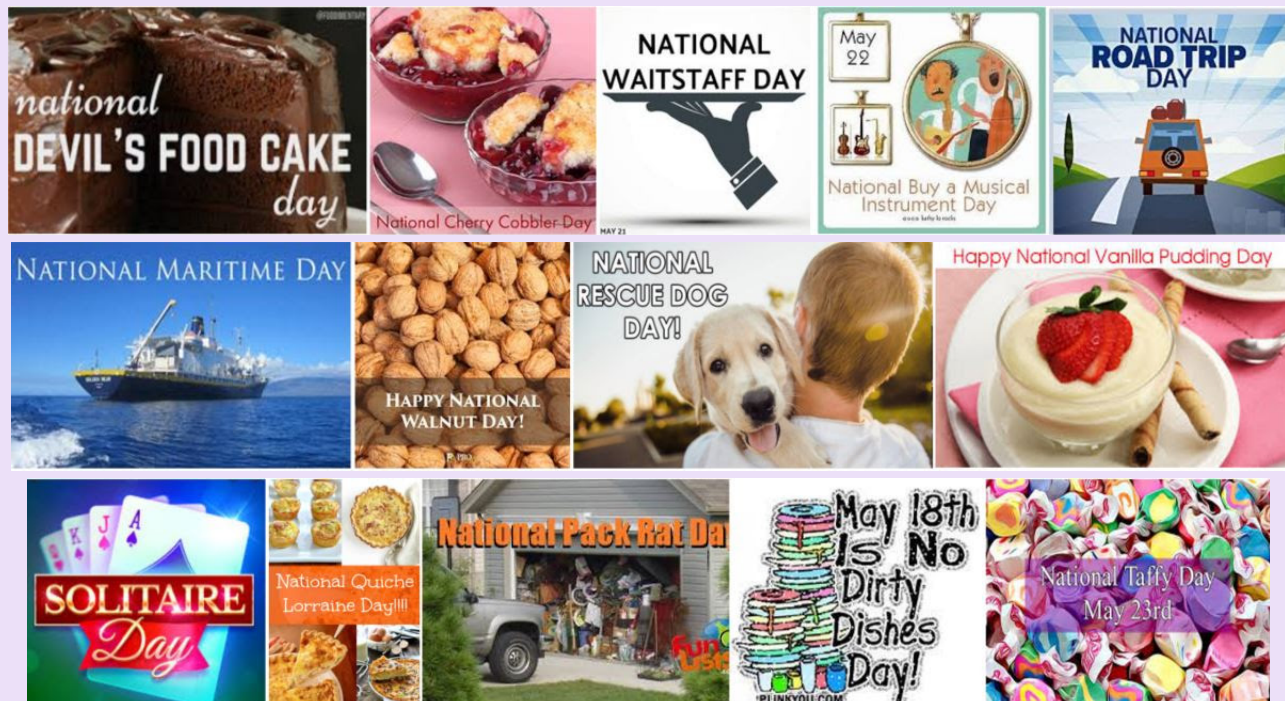
May 19th - National May Ray Day, National Devil's Food Cake Day

May 20th - National Be a Millionaire Day, National Pick Strawberries Day, National Rescue Dog Day, National Quiche Lorraine Day, Emergency Medical Services for Children Day, National Juice Slush Day

May 21st - National American Red Cross Founder's Day, National Waitstaff Day, National Strawberries and Cream Day, National Memo Day

May 22nd - National Craft Distillery Day, World Paloma Day, National Maritime Day, National Solitaire Day, National Buy a Musical Instrument Day, National Vanilla Pudding Day, National Don't Fry Day, National Road Trip Day, National Cooler Day

May 23rd - National Lucky Penny Day, National Taffy 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.

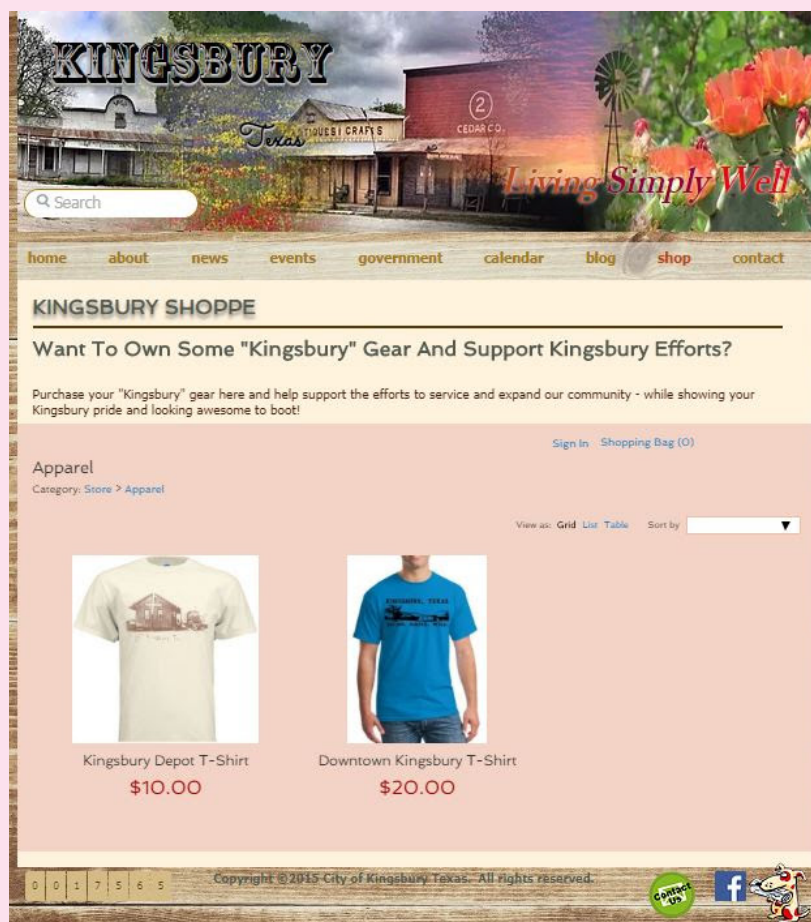
That says it all, doesn't it?!

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!



Produce Variety Boxes

You can now pre-order for produce Variety Boxes from Homestead Goodness Farms here in Kingsbury.

Boxes include combinations of various produce in **season** like

Beets
Carrots
Spinach
Young Salad Peas
Red Lettuce
Buttercrunch Lettuce
Onions
Kale
Squashes
Potatoes

Boxes are \$20 and can be pre-ordered by contacting Alison at alison@habitablespaces.com.



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, May 23rd

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!



Accordion Champion

Most people here in Kingsbury know that the Wolfshohl family has been a big part of Kingsbury's history. Now a member of the Wolfshohl family is a part of accordion history!

On May 1, 2020 Texas Folklife hosted the 14th annual Big Squeeze **statewide** accordion competition to crown the state's top youth accordion players in the traditional Texas accordion music genres including conjunto, polka, Cajun and zydeco. This year's competition was held virtually due to the Coronavirus pandemic.

Isaak Wolfshohl, won the event in the polka category with his performances of "Rosemunde" and "Bergvagabunden." This was Wolfshohl's second year to enter the competition. "This year was a little different." said Wolfshohl, "Normally the finals are held at the Bob Bullock Museum in Austin in front of an audience." This year's finals were streamed on Facebook Live to a virtual audience.

Wolfshohl is a fixture in the New Braunfels area. He can be found playing locally at many of the area restaurants including the Alpine Haus, in downtown New Braunfels. He also plays at many of the area festivals including the Fredericksburg Oktoberfest, Tomball German Heritage festival, and Wurstfest.

According to Wolfshohl, "Playing polka music is a way for me to make people happy, while keeping my cultural heritage alive. This music makes people smile."

Congratulations Isaak!



Kingsbury Weather

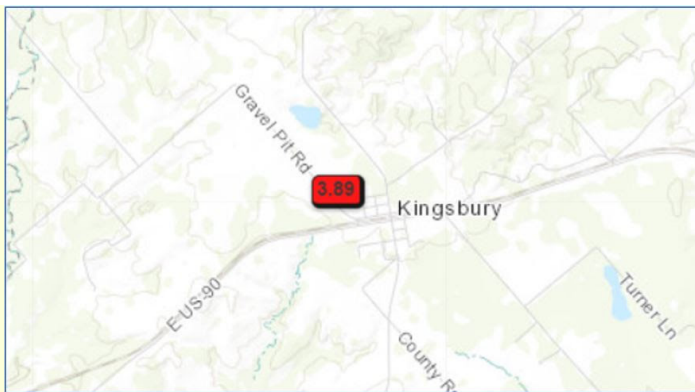
Kingsbury weather for this week. You can always get the latest **weather** in Kingsbury on the Kingsbury website under [Calendar](#).



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](#)

It was rather wet this past week with 3.89 inches recorded at the Baker Ranch station for a one week total.



Kingsbury 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 are also usually available.



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, May 18th

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

Items on the **agenda**:

- ★ Check and Accounts Report
- ★ Discussion on grant opportunities

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

All city commission meetings are open to the public.

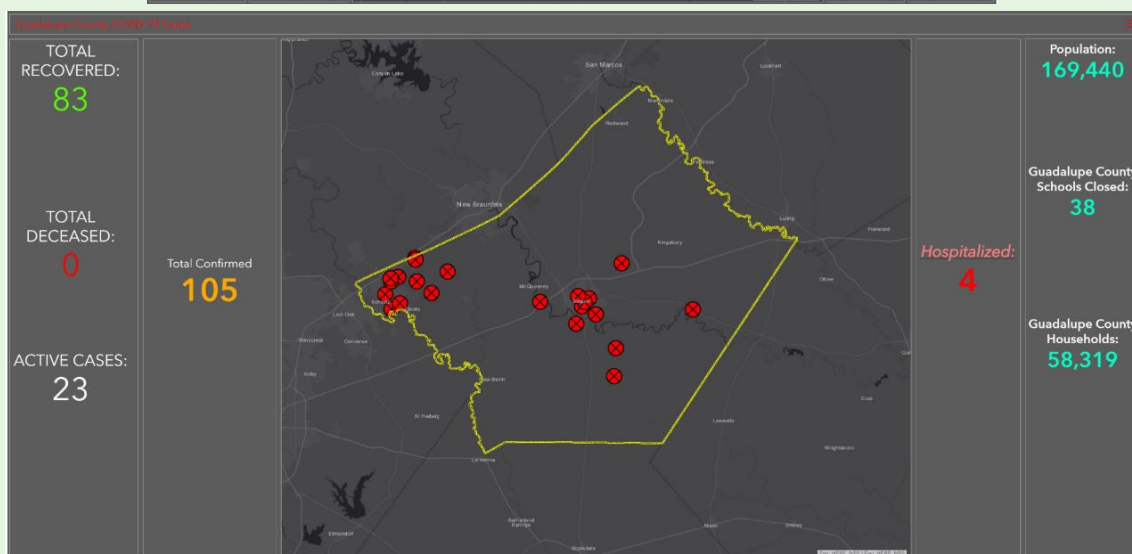
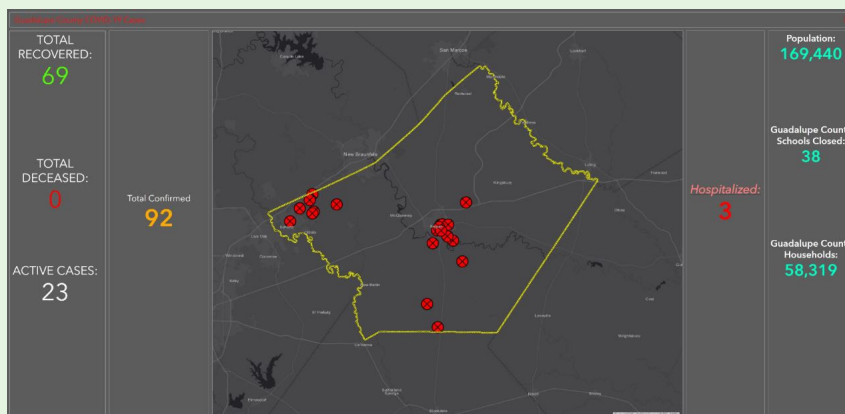


COVID-19 In Guadalupe County

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

The numbers of confirmed cases grow but as people recover, the number of active cases continues to hold fairly steady. Last week there were 23 active cases and this week there are again 23. Below are the dashboards from last week and this week.



Kingsbury Postal Workers

This is a great picture of the people that worked for the Kingsbury Post Office circa 1950.

The back of the picture states:

From left to right: George Smith - rural carrier, Oscar Halm - retired Postmaster, James Talley - mail messenger, Lucille Coates - postal clerk, Edna Beaty, Jaquelin Schmidt - acting Postmaster, Marshall (Lightening) Beaty - mail carrier, Irma Donsbach Oliver - substitute carrier, Carl Anderson - rural carrier.

The picture appears to be taken in front of the clerk windows inside the old Post Office on the corner of Kingsbury Road and Railway Street. The post office prior to this building was the little building just three doors down on Railway St. I'm not sure at what time it was moved to the corner building, but in this picture, the space looks too big for that little building so it must have already moved.

There is a "Notice To Federal Income Taxpayers" posted on the wall (wonder what they were being notified of?) and the floor is hardwood planks.

The pictures below are of the older post office in 2011, the old post office on the corner in 2019, and the restored Post Office sign today that was found on the front of the porch awning of the older post office. It's looks like a blank board with old peeling white paint in the picture.



Older post office down the street in 2011.



Old Post office probably in the picture.



Restored sign board that was mounted on the older post office on the awning in the picture.

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Send them this email! All they need to do is go to the [Kingsbury website](#), 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.



Thanks!

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