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# **Kingsbury Texas**

**News & Information Newsletter** 



### Dear Kingsbury,

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

#### **Here Comes March!**

This week sees the first days of March. For some of us it's an unsettling month: no longer winter, not quite spring, even though the official First Day of Spring usually falls around March 20th with the vernal equinox. As we march into March, entertain your brain with some fun facts about our third month.

First of all, March was not always the third month. For the **ancient** Romans, it was the first month of the year and was named after Mars, the god of war. This could go a long way toward explaining some of the fierce weather that can occur in this month and the familiar saying that "March comes in like a lion and goes out like a lamb."



It might also explain why one of the traditional birthstones for March is the bloodstone, marked by red flecks against its green surface and sometimes referred to as the martyr's stone. It symbolizes courage and endurance.



But the alternate birthstone is the more tranquil aquamarine with its distinctive seawater blue coloration. It is said to confer safety during sea voyages.



The official March flower is the daffodil or jonquil. It's one of the first flowers to bloom as spring draws near, making it the flower of rebirth, along with other meanings such as friendship and respect. Its traditional sunny yellow color makes it the perfect cheerful flower for celebrating the end of winter.

## March Weather Lore:

When March has April weather, April will have March weather.

Thunder in March betokens a fruitful year.

Dust in March brings grass and foliage.

A March Sun sticks like a lock of wool.



#### **Full Snow Moon**

The Full Snow Moon was officially yesterday at 3:17 am but it will still be a very full moon tonight at 98% full.

I would have been more appropriate if the Full Snow Moon actually rose last week with the **freak** snowfall we had!!

According to the Farmers' Almanac, northeastern Native American tribes referred to the second full moon of winter as the Snow Moon because of February's heavy snow.



And hand in hand, on the edge of the sand, they danced by the light of the Moon.
—Edward Lear, English poet (1812-88)

#### MOON FACTS AND FOLKLORE

- n February 6, 1971, Alan Shepard became the first man to hit a golf ball on the Moon.
- Did you know that the Moon's diameter is 2,160 miles? This is less than the width of the United States (approximately 3,000 miles), and 0.27 of Earth's diameter (7,926 miles).
  - Wolves have howled at the Moon for centuries, yet it is still there.

Each full moon is known by many, many names. Here are a few that the February Moon goes by:

Zuni - No Snow In Trails Moon
Sioux - Dark Red Calves Moon
Shawnee - Crow Moon
Omaha - Moon When Geese Come Home
Lakota - Moon When the Trees Crack Because of the Cold
Creek - Wind Moon
Comanche - Sleet Moon
Dakotah Sioux - Moon of the Raccoon
Cherokee - Bony Moon
Chippewa - Sucker Moon
Arapaho - Frost Sparkling in the Sun Moon
Chocktaw - Moon of Winds
Cree - Old Moon
Hopi - Moon of Purification and Renewal

Moon of Purification and Renewa Mohawk - Lateness Moon Pueblo - Moon of the Cedar Dust Wind Shoshone - Coyote Moon

Colonial American - Trapper's Moon Celtic - Moon of Ice Medieval English - Storm Moon Neo Pagan - Snow Moon



## 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 28 - National Chocolate Souffle Day, National Floral Design Day, National Public Sleeping Day, National Tooth Fairy Day, Rare Disease Day USA

March 1 - National Dadgum That's Good Day, National Fruit Compote Day, National Horse Protection Day, National Minnesota Day, National Peanut Butter Lover's Day, National Pig Day, Self-Injury Awareness Day

March 2 - World Teen Mental Wellness Day, National Banana Cream Pie Day, National Old Stuff
Day, National Read Across America Day (Dr. Seuss Day)

March 3 - National Anthem Day, National Cold Cuts Day, National I Want You to Be Happy Day, National Mulled Wine Day, Soup It Forward Day

March 4 - National Grammar Day, National Hug a G.I. Day, Marching Music Day, National Pound Cake Day, National Sons Day, National Hospitalist Day

March 5 - National Absinthe Day, National Cheese Doodle Day, National Multiple Personality Day, National Day of Unplugging, National Dress in Blue Day, National Speech and Debate Education Day, National Employee Appreciation Day

March 6 - National Dentist's Day, National Dress Day, National Frozen Food Day, National Oreo Cookie Day, National White Chocolate Cheesecake Day



## **Kingsbury Volunteer Fire Department**

Regular meetings of the Kingsbury Volunteer Fire Department are scheduled for the first Thursday of each month at 7:30 at KVFD Fire Station #1. The next is

# Thursday, March 4th

Stop by to learn what you can do to help your community as a firefighter, a **supporter**, or as a first-responder.

The KVFD Auxiliary has their meetings on the first Thursday of most months starting in March. The next meeting of 2021 will be Thursday, March 4th and all meetings start at 6:00 p.m. in the Kingsbury VFD fire station. Come by and be a part of the awesome KVFD Auxiliary!

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# **Bottled Water Available**

There is still **free** bottled water available at the Kingsbury Country Store.

The county provided the water to be given to those still in need of clean drinking water after last week's polar weather event and subsequent damage.



# **Kingsbury Weather**

Kingsbury weather for this week. You can always get the latest **weather** in Kingsbury on the Kingsbury website under <u>Calendar</u>.



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 Market Day**

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



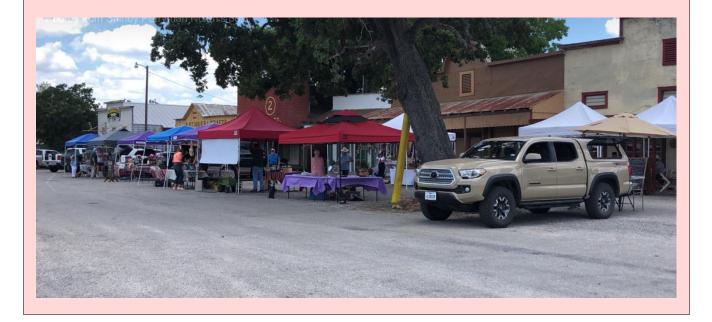
# Downtown Kingsbury From noon to 3 Every Sunday



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, cakes, and other baked goods are also usually available.







### **Kingsbury Extension Homemakers Club**

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The Kingsbury Extension Homemakers Club was organized in the early 1950s. Charter members were Olga Lorenz, Emily Hagemann, and Lucille Glenewinkel.

The members met once a month in a member's home or a local church. They held a business meeting with the Guadalupe County Extension Agent or a member presenting a program followed by refreshments.

The programs were on home decorating, home safety, food preparation, gardening, water quality, sewing, refinishing furniture, **glass etching** and so much more.

Members included, Elsie Stautzenberger, Louise Pomrenke, Julia McAllister, Mildred Pegg, Vera Baker, Jennie Mae Munk, Lucille Tullos, Mary Rose Glenewinkel, Fieda Heinemeier, Betty Hoke, Bobbie Anderson, Lola Deharde, Viola Williams, Mrs. Lewis, Mercedes Appling, Verlin Schubert, Joy Brashears, Doris Jefferies, and Leona Schoelzel.



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