

Kingsbury News & Information Newsletter - June 28, 2026

1 message

Kingsbury Newsletter <kingsburytexas@93941925.mailchimpapp.com>

Reply-To: kingsburytexas@gmail.com

To: Kingsbury <kingsburytexas@gmail.com>

Sun, Jun 28, 2026 at 1:23 PM

Kingsbury Texas

News & Information Newsletter

Dear Kingsbury,

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

Independence Day

This Saturday is, of course, The Fourth of July. It's a day when we celebrate America's bid for independence with cookouts and fireworks. But there were many events that occurred this week in history surrounding that independence.

On July 3rd in 1775, George Washington rides out in front of the American troops gathered at Cambridge common in Massachusetts and draws his **sword**, formally taking command of the Continental Army.

After the American Revolution erupted in 1775, Washington was nominated to be commander in chief of the newly established Continental Army. Some in the Continental Congress opposed his appointment, thinking other candidates were better equipped for the post, but he was ultimately chosen because, as a Virginian, his leadership helped bind the southern colonies more closely to the rebellion in New England.

In agreeing to serve the American colonies in their war for independence, he declined to accept payment for his services beyond reimbursement of future expenses. Despite his inexperienced and poorly equipped army of civilian soldiers, General Washington led an effective war of harassment against British forces in America, while encouraging the intervention of the French into the conflict on behalf of the colonists.

On July 4th in 1776, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, the Continental Congress adopts the Declaration

of Independence, which proclaims the independence of a new United States of America from Great Britain and its king. The declaration came 442 days after the first shots of the American Revolution were fired at Lexington and Concord in Massachusetts and marked an ideological expansion of the conflict that would eventually involve France's intervention on behalf of the Americans.

On July 8th in 1776, a 2,000-pound copper-and-tin bell now known as the "Liberty Bell" rings out from the tower of the Pennsylvania State House (now Independence Hall) in Philadelphia, summoning citizens to the first public reading of the Declaration of Independence. Four days earlier, the historic document had been adopted by delegates to the Continental Congress, but the bell did not ring to announce the issuing of the document until the Declaration of Independence returned from the printer on July 8.



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 28th - National Foodie Day, National Logistics Day, National Paul Bunyan Day, National Insurance Awareness Day, National Tapioca Pudding Day, National Alaska Day, National Rainier Cherry Day

June 29th - National Camera Day, National Waffle Iron Day, National Darts Day, National Almond Buttercrunch Day

June 30th - National OOTD Day, National Social Media Day, National Meteor Watch Day

July 1st - National Creative Ice Cream Flavors Day, National Postal Worker Day, National Gingersnap Day, National U.S. Postage Stamp Day

July 2nd - National Anisette Day, National Wildland Firefighter Day, National I Forgot Day

July 3rd - National Compliment Your Mirror Day, National Chocolate Wafer Day, National Eat Your Beans Day, National Fried Clam Day

July 4th - National Play Outside Day, Independence Day, National Alice In Wonderland Day, National Caesar Salad Day, National Barbecued Spareribs Day, National Hop-A-Park Day



July

Ready or not, Wednesday is the very first day of July.

July is the seventh month of the year (between June and August) in the Julian and Gregorian Calendars and the fourth month to have the length of 31 days. It was named by the Roman Senate in honor of the Roman general, Julius Cæsar, it being the month of his birth. Prior to that, it was called Quintilis.

It is on average the **warmest** month in most of the Northern hemisphere.

"Dog days" are considered to begin in early July, when the hot sultry weather of summer usually starts.

JULY SYMBOLS:



July's birthstone is the ruby, which symbolizes contentment. It was regarded by ancient Hindus and the "king of gems" and was believed to protect its wearer from evil. The ruby's deep-red color signifies love and passion.

July birth flowers are the Larkspur or the Water Lily.



Each color variation of the larkspur has a different meaning:
Pink means fickleness;

White conveys a happy nature; and,
Purple normally represents a first love.
Generally, larkspur indicates strong bonds of love.



The water lily signifies purity and majesty.
Aside from being lovely in their own right, water lilies are often used in ponds to deter the growth of algae and to shade and cool the water for resident fish and frogs.

JULY FOLKLORE



If the 1st of July be rainy weather, it will rain more or less for three weeks together.



Ne'er trust a July sky.



Dog days bright and clear, indicate a happy year.

The zodiac signs for the month of July are



Cancer (until July 22) and



Leo (July 23 onwards).



Fellowship

The Kingsbury Lutheran Church will be having weekly Fellowship gatherings every Thursday.

These get-togethers start at 6:30 in the Fellowship Hall and the **activities** could be a mix of food, Bible study, games, etc.

Everyone is welcome!



Full Strawberry Micro Moon

This Monday, June 29th, is the rising of the Full Strawberry Moon.

. This final micromoon of the year will appear exceptionally low in the Northern Hemisphere sky, taking on a golden or amber hue.

June's Full Strawberry Moon got its name because the Algonquin tribes knew it as a signal to gather ripening fruit. In Europe, strawberries aren't native and it was known as the Full Rose Moon. Europeans also often called it the Honey Moon because its position is low in the sky (in our hemisphere at least) and the earth's atmosphere can give it a warm tint.



JUNE MOON FOLKLORE



A growing Moon and a flowing tide are lucky times to marry.



Days following both the New and Full Moons are most likely to be rainy or stormy.



Crabbing, shrimping, and clamming are best when the Moon is full.



Other names for the June full moon:

Algonquin tribes - Strawberry Moon or Moon When They Hill Indian Corn

Arapaho - Moon When the Buffalo Bellows

Cherokee - Green Corn Moon

Abenaki (Northeast) - Hoer Moon

Choctaw - Moon of the Peach

Comanche - Leaf Moon

Chippewa - Strawberry Moon

Creek - Blackberry Moon

Assiniboine (Northern Plains) - Full Leaf Moon

Hopi - Moon of Planting
Cree - Moon When Leaves Come Out
Lakota - Moon When the Berries Are Good
Wishram (Washington) - Fish Spoils Easily Moon
Mohawk - Ripening Time Moon
Haida (Alaska) - Berries Ripen Moon
Omaha - Moon When The Buffalo Bulls Hunt the Cows
Ponca - Hot Weather Begins Moon
Kalapuya (Pacific Northwest) - Camas Ripe Moon
Pueblo - Moon When the Leaves Are Dark Green
Shawnee - Raspberry Moon
Passamaquoddy (Northeast) - Summer Moon
Shoshone - Summer Starting Moon
Zuni - Turning Moon
Sioux - Strawberry Moon
Potawatomi (Great Lakes) - Moon Of The Turtle
Dakotah Sioux - Moon When June Berries Are Ripe
Tlingit (Pacific NW coast) - Birth Moon

Celtic - Moon of Horses
Chinese - Lotus Moon
Colonial American - Rose Moon
Neo-Pagan - Planting Moon
English Medieval - Dyan Moon
Europeans - the Rose Moon



Raffle Tickets

Raffle Tickets for the Kingsbury VFD Bar-B-Q are available in the Kingsbury Country Store and will be for sale until the Bar-B-Q on July 25th.

Tickets are \$1 each

or

6 tickets for \$5

There are hundreds of dollars worth of **prizes** in the raffle so go by the Country Store get your chance to win!


The raffle supports your KVFD so get your tickets and help our local firefighters and first responders and maybe you'll win a prize to boot!



Kingsbury Weather

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

Current

 **Kingsbury Rd,
Kingsbury, TX 78638,
USA**

90°F

clear sky



High: 94°F
Low: 89°F

Wind: 17
mph S

Cloud
Cover: 10%

Humidity:
76%

Today



High: 93°F
Low: 78°F

Tomorrow



High: 95°F
Low: 76°F

Tue



High: 96°F
Low: 74°F

Wed



High: 97°F
Low: 72°F

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 Bar-B-Q

The KVFD Bar-B-Q Fundraiser is coming up Saturday, July 25th!

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.

There will be great food and homemade desserts, Raffle for great prizes, games for the kids, Live Auction, amusements, Silent Auction, a Vendor Market and then a free Dance Under The Stars

Bar-B-Q plates are \$15 for adults and children and include delicious smoked beef and the Auxiliary's world **famous** potato salad! 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 and the Silent Auction. 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!



Raffle tickets can be purchased now at the Kingsbury Country Store.

Contact kingsburyvfd.aux@gmail.com for more information or find them on [FaceBook](#).



San Antonio Express.

VOL 11. SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, FRIDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 9, 1877 NO 33

The Friday Morning, February 9, 1877 edition of the *San Antonio Express* had a note about the build up around the new train depot there. But they are sure that it will not grow "winds and fly away" like the "fleeting shadows" of Kingsbury and Marion! Things absolutely bustled a lot more around here when the railroad ended in Kingsbury up until 1876, but we certainly did not "fly away!"

Soon a little city will rise around the depot building. But, unlike those fleeting shadows, Kingsbury and Marion, it will not take to itself wings and fly away.

In other 1877 news, the "Gossip" section mentioned that Gov. Wells had a "chill this morning" and Mr. Voorhees has a black eye (what crack reporting that is!), the American & Spanish College has quite the curriculum including Latin, Greek, Penmanship, Lineal and Landscape Drawing, Astronomy, and Music (all for \$90 for 5 months!), and the "cattle skimmers" better beware or the cattle men will "take the **hide** off of a few two-legged cattle."

Elsewhere in 1877, 35 year old Mrs. Saliver is suing her 78 year old ex-fiance for "breach of promise of marriage", get your "First-Class" Studebaker wagon at A. Staacke, and a poor young lady of Atascosa County lived through being dragged by her horse 3/4 of a mile until all she had on was her collar and shoes!

Also in 1877, Holloway's Pills will ensure "the fiery ordeal is passed through" (not sure what they are eluding to there but I can tell you it's not good!) and will also help with "obstructions at the dawn of womanhood" (wow!), passengers had to ride the "construction train", there are pick-pockets around, "wood wagons" are as thick as "berries on a black berry bush", a "western editor" misquoted Byron and wrote that "man is part dust and part dirty" (instead of "diety"), the District Court gave a horse thief 5 years but the buggy thief has a hung jury (better than being just hung!), and people continue to gawk at the "iron rails" as an "object of wonder."

GOSSIP

Gov Wells had a chill this morning. Judge Waito is quoted as saying that yesterday's proceedings are merely preliminary, and furnish no indications of the issue.

Dan Voorhes is quoted as having a black eye—nothing serious.

San Antonio American & Spanish College

SAN ANTONIO, TEX.

The undersigned has the honor to announce to the public that he will, with excellent and well-known Professors, as assistants, open a College of Learning in the city of San Antonio, the 15th day of January, 1877. The following branches will be taught: Spelling, Writing, Spanish and English Grammar, Arithmetic, History, the Rules of Morality and Urbanity, Rhetoric, Eclectic Latin and Greek, Philosophy, Mathematics, Book-Keeping, Penmanship, General Elements of Chemistry, Physics, Astronomy, Music, Natural, Linear and Landscape Drawing, German, French and Italian Languages.

The course of instruction will extend over three, four and six years, according to the profession selected. ~~Boarding~~ Boarding will be provided for, and day scholars admitted.

TERMS:

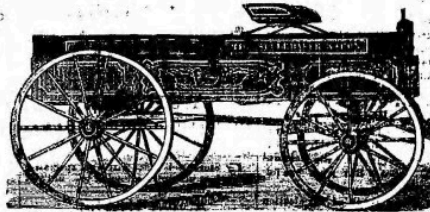
Board and Tuition, per session of five months, payable in advance, \$90 00
Entrance fee, 6 00

—There is considerable feeling engendered among cattle men, caused by what are known as cattle skinners. If the business is not stopped they threaten to take the hide off of a few two-legged cattle. Then it will be a hide and seek business.

Mrs Mary Salver, a citizen of Pennsylvania and a clerk in the Treasury Dept., has instituted suit against Hon Simon Cameron for breach of promise of marriage. Damages \$50,000. Respective age of parties, 35 and 78 years.

A. Staacke,

Has on hand and is receiving the following:



First-Class Wagons

- 300 Studebaker,
- 200 Mitchell,
- 100 Wilson, Childs & Co.

Express Wagons, Buggies, Platform Wagons, Phaetons, Atco Carts, Trunks, Drays, Harness, Tents, Wall Tents, Officers' Tents, Wagon Covers, Wagon Material, Etc., Etc.

BE SURE AND SEE THEM BEFORE BUYING.

A young lady of Atascosa county by the name of Apras, about 18 years of age, became entangled in the rope of her horse and was dragged by the frightened animal a distance of three-quarters of a mile. When the animal was stopped nothing of her wearing apparel remained but her collar and shoes, and singular to say she was not killed and by now has entirely recovered. — Rockport Transcript.

HOLLOWAY'S PILLS.—TURN OF LIFE.—Armed with this great antidote, the fiery ordeal is passed through and the sufferer once more restored to the possession of unimpaired health. These Pills are equally efficacious in all female complaints, and obstructions at the dawn of womanhood. Sold everywhere. 25 cents per box or pot.

—Several passengers left on the construction train yesterday.

—There are pick-ropes about. Enough said—let people keep on the lookout.

—Wood wagons are as thick on the Military Plaza in the mornings, as berries on a black berry bush.

"Man is part dust and part deity," wrote a Western editor, trying to quote from Byron. The interesting compositor got it, "man is part dust and part dirty!"

District Court.—State vs. Jesus Reis, for theft of a horse, guilty, and five years in the penitentiary.

State vs. Sam Washington, for theft of a buggy. Jury is hung and still out.

—The usual stream of people filled the road to and from the railroad depot yesterday evening. The iron rails continue to be the object of wonder to thousands who never before saw them.

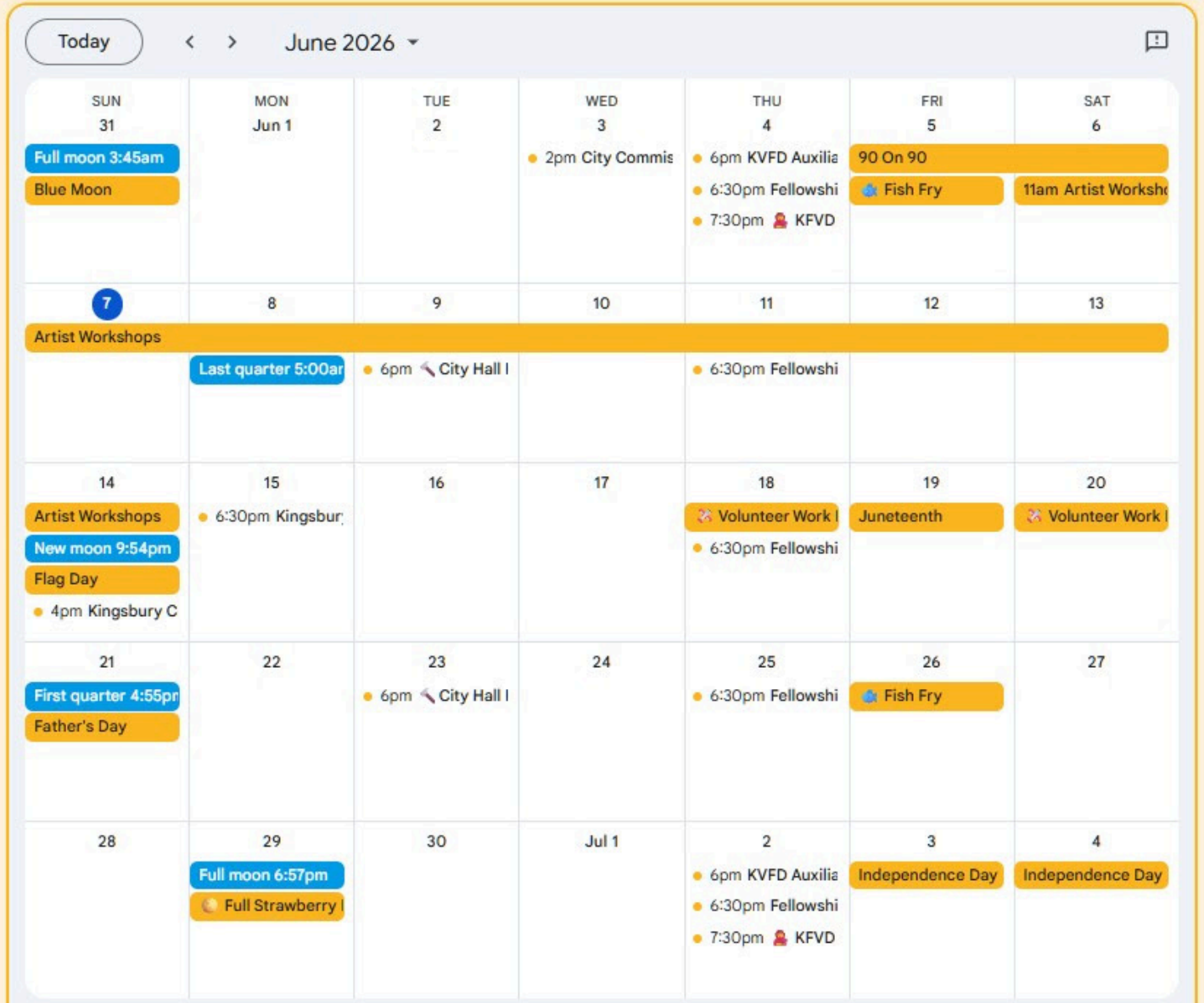
Kingsbury Calendar

Do you have a meeting or public event that you want people to know about? Just let us know and we'll get it into the Kingsbury Newsletter and on the [Calendar](#) page of [kingsburytexas.org!](#)

Get in touch by replying to this email or by going to the Contact page on the Kingsbury [website](#).

It's a great way to find out what's going on around town and to let others know what meetings or events you have planned that your friends and neighbors might like to attend.

KINGSBURY CALENDAR & WEATHER



July Night Skies

There are not one, not two, but three meteor showers that begin in July!



alpha Capricornids

Next period of activity: July 3rd to August 15th

The Alpha Capricornids are active from July through August with a "plateau-like" maximum centered on July 30-31. This shower is not very strong and rarely produces in excess of five shower members per hour. What is notable about this shower is the number of **bright** fireballs produced during its activity period. This shower is seen equally well on either side of the equator.

Next Peak - The alpha Capricornids will next peak on the Jul 30-31, 2026 night. On this night, right after the Full Buck Moon, the moon will be 99.2% full.



Southern delta Aquariids

Next period of activity: July 12th to August 23rd

The Delta Aquariids are a strong shower best seen from the southern tropics. North of the equator the radiant is located lower in the southern sky and therefore rates are less than seen from further south. These meteors produce good rates for a week centered on the night of maximum, about 25 meteors per hour. These are usually faint meteors that lack both persistent trains and fireballs.

Next Peak - The Southern delta Aquariids will next peak on the July 30-31 night. On this night, the moon will be 99.2% full.



Perseids

Next period of activity: July 17th to August 24th

The Perseids are the most popular meteor shower as they peak on warm August nights as seen from the northern hemisphere. The Perseids are active from July 17 to August 24. They reach a strong maximum on August 12-13 night in 2026. Normal rates seen from rural locations range from 50-75 and up to 100 shower members per hour at maximum.

The Perseids are particles released from comet 109P/Swift-Tuttle during its numerous returns to the inner solar system. They are called Perseids since the radiant (the area of the sky where the meteors seem to originate) is located near the prominent constellation of Perseus the hero when at maximum activity.

Next Peak - The Perseids will next peak on the Aug 12-13 night. On this night, the moon will be 0% full (a New Moon) resulting in ideal, pitch-black skies!



Call For Volunteers!

The Annual Kingsbury VFD Benefit Bar-B-Q is coming up July 25th! We are always looking for:

- **Volunteers to help for just an hour at a time (and get 2 free soda/water tickets!)**
- **Donations for the Silent Auction**
- **Donations for the Live Auction**
- **Cakes and pies for Desserts**

So many people step up each year to make the KVFD event happen! If you would like to help and volunteer just an hour of your time on July 25th, text or call Volunteer Coordinator Shirley Nolen at 830.557.3553.

Donate your time and make a difference!

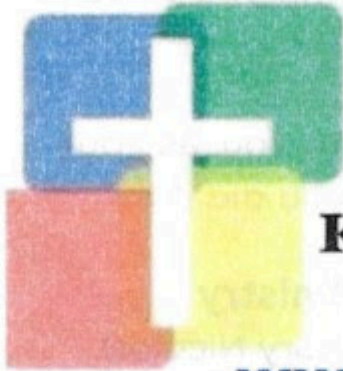
July 25th!



Food Pantry & Thrift Store

KINGSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

FOOD PANTRY & THRIFT OUTREACH MINISTRY



6845 FM 2438

Kingsbury, TX 78638

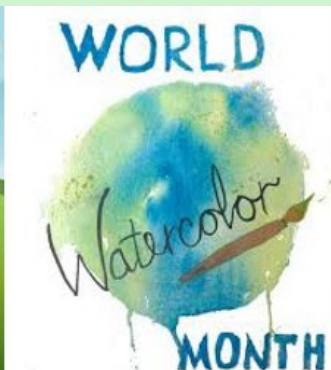
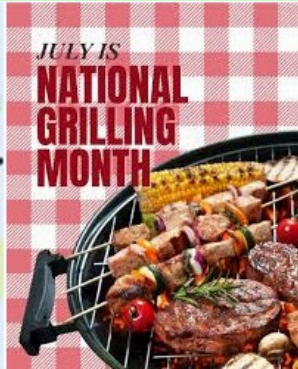
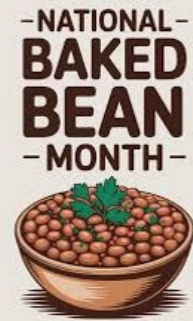


www.kingsburybc.com

Celebrate July

There are a whole host of things that you can celebrate the **whole** month of July:

- National Hemp Month
- National Fragile X Awareness Month
- National Contract Sewing Month
- National Anti-Boredom Month
- National Grilling Month
- World Watercolor Month
- National Peach Month
- National Picnic Month
- National Blueberry Month
- Independent Retailer Month
- National Ice Cream Month
- National Hot Dog Month
- National Horseradish Month
- National Culinary Arts Month
- National Cell Phone Courtesy Month
- National Baked Bean Month
- National Bison Month



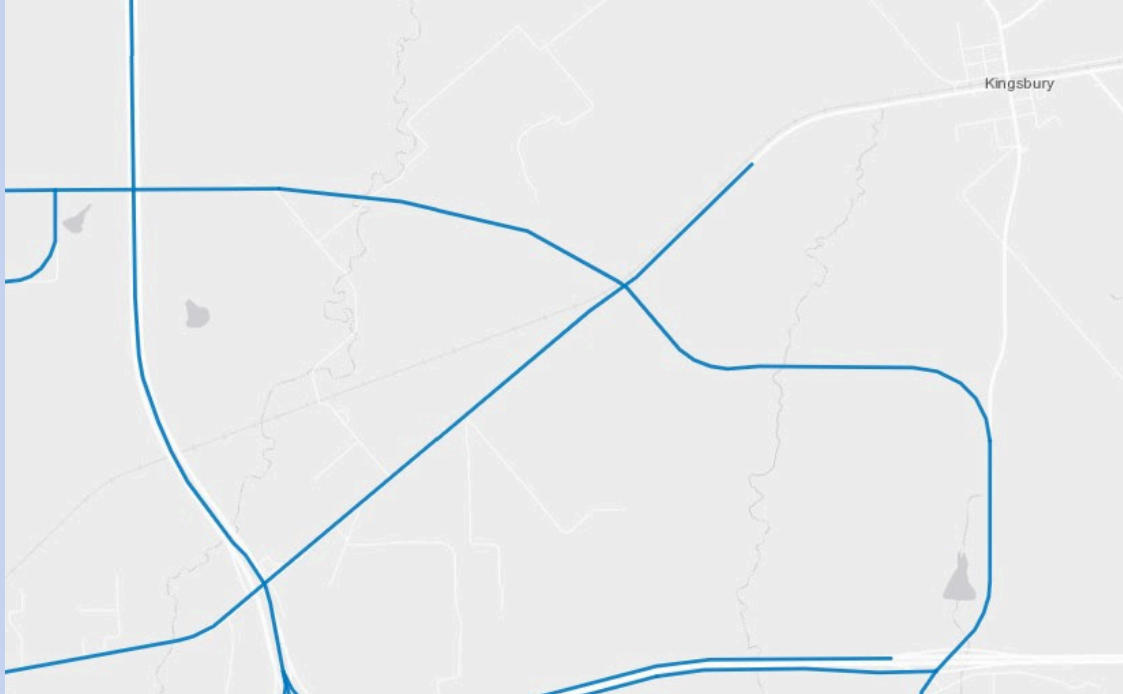
Kingsbury City Limits

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.

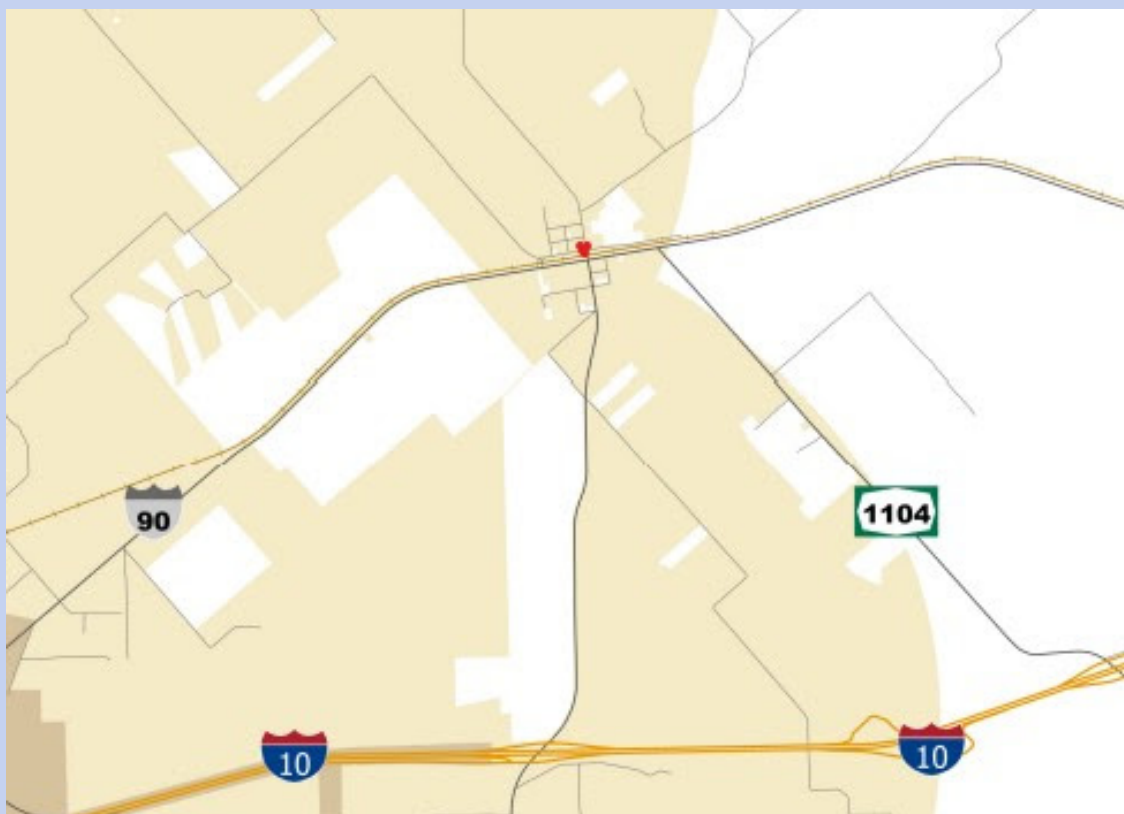
Check out the "Kingsbury City Limits" page on the Kingsbury [website](#) to see the current map, get a petition form, and find more information on voluntary annexations.

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!

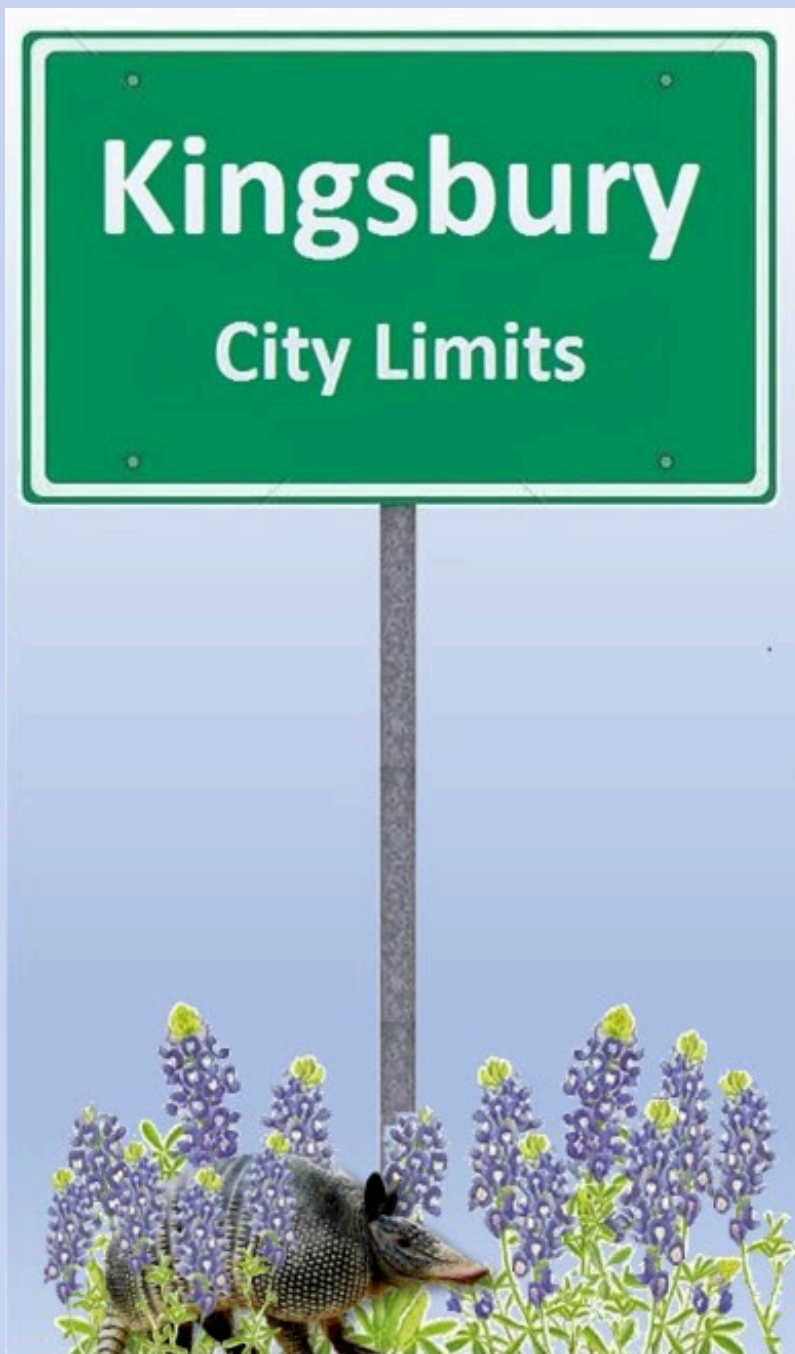
Pictured below is the Seguin thoroughfare plan with their "Outer Loop" coming up FM2438.



This plan once came up into downtown Kingsbury, but due to changes in Texas law, a property owner can now be removed from an ETJ (extraterritorial jurisdiction which is an area outside of any city's limits) and therefore be removed from their control. Shown below is Seguin's ETJ around Kingsbury (red dot) in tan with the white areas being landowners that have removed their properties from that ETJ.



To see forms and learn more about being removed from Seguin's ETJ click [here](#).



1918 Oil Field

This is an awesome picture of the very early days of oil production in the Kingsbury area.

The year is 1918, according to the date on the back, and the men are drilling a new well with an already standing derrick in the background. There is also a woman in the picture standing next to the giant flywheel to the left. The gentleman in the middle is wearing those **knee-high** leather boots that so many workers used in the oil fields.

Other men are unloading items from the wagon where the horse is standing patiently by. It looks like he had to pull that wagon through some pretty muddy ground based on the state of those wagon wheels!

I'm not sure, but the man standing next to the drilling machine may be the law. He appears to have a patch on his sleeve and a gun on his hip. Hard to tell exactly from a picture that is 108 years old!



Know someone that should be on the Kingsbury Newsletter eMail List?

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.



Thanks!

Kingsbury News & Information

For more information any time

Visit our website - www.kingsburytexas.org

Visit us on Facebook - www.facebook.com/KingsburyTexas

[Check out the Kingsbury Calendar & Weather](#)



[Check out previous News & Information Newsletters](#)



This email was sent to kingsburytexas@gmail.com
[why did I get this?](#) [unsubscribe from this list](#) [update subscription preferences](#)
City of Kingsbury · PO Box 99 · Kingsbury, TX 78638-0099 · USA

