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News & Information Newsletter



Dear Kingsbury,

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

Mother's Day

Today, May 10th is Mother's Day. It's the day when we all celebrate that most important person!

The modern holiday of Mother's Day was first celebrated in 1908, when Anna Jarvis held a memorial for her mother at St Andrew's Methodist Church in Grafton, West Virginia. Today St Andrew's Methodist Church now holds the International Mother's Day Shrine. Her campaign to make "Mother's Day" a recognized holiday in the United States began in 1905, the year her mother, Ann Reeves Jarvis, died. Ann Jarvis had been a peace activist who cared for wounded soldiers on both sides of the American Civil War. Anna Jarvis wanted to honor her mother by continuing the work she started and to set aside a day to honor all mothers, because she believed that they were "the person who has done more for you than anyone in the world".

In 1908, the US Congress rejected a proposal to make Mother's Day an official holiday, joking that they would have to proclaim also a "Mother-in-law's Day". However, owing to the efforts of Anna Jarvis, by 1911 all US states observed the holiday, with some of them officially recognizing Mother's Day as a local holiday, the first being West Virginia, Jarvis' home state, in 1910. The first national Mother's Day was May 9th, 1914, when Woodrow Wilson signed a proclamation designating "Mother's Day", held on the second Sunday in May, as a national holiday to honor mothers.

Jarvis' holiday was eventually adopted by other countries as well, and it is now celebrated all over the world.



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 10th - National Clean Up Your Room Day, National Lipid Day, National Shrimp Day, National Washington Day, Mother's Day

May 11th - National Eat What You Want Day, National Foam Rolling Day, National Twilight Zone Day, National Women's Checkup Day

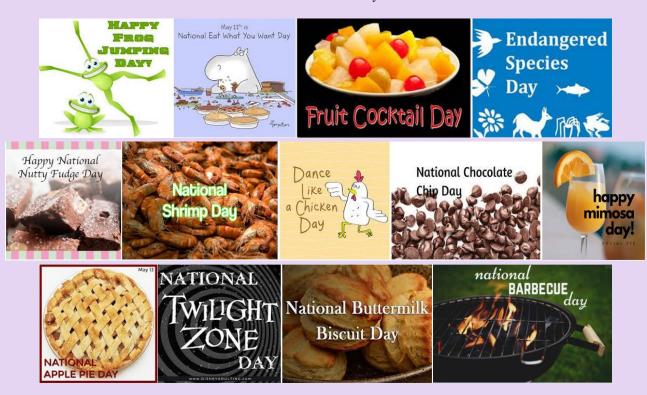
May 12th - National Limerick Day, National Odometer Day, National Nutty Fudge Day, National Fibromyalgia Awareness Day

May 13th - National Crouton Day, National Frog Jumping Day, National Apple Pie Day, National Fruit Cocktail
Day, National Receptionists' Day, National Third Shift Workers Day

May 14th - National Decency Day, National Dance Like a Chicken Day, National Underground America Day, National Buttermilk Biscuit Day

May 15th - Peace Officers Memorial Day, National Chocolate Chip Day, National Nylon Stocking Day, National Endangered Species Day, National Defense Transportation Day, National Pizza Party Day, National Bike to Work Day, NASCAR Day

May 16th - Honor Our LGBT Elders Day, National Barbecue Day, National Do Something Good for Your Neighbor Day, National Love a Tree Day, National Mimosa Day, National Piercing Day, National Sea Monkey Day, National Biographer's Day, National Coquilles Saint Jacques Day, National Armed Forces Day, National Learn to Swim 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.

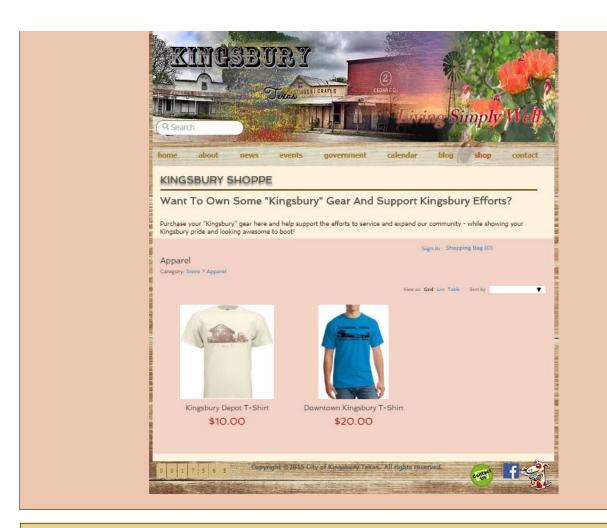
That says it all, doesn't it?!

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!



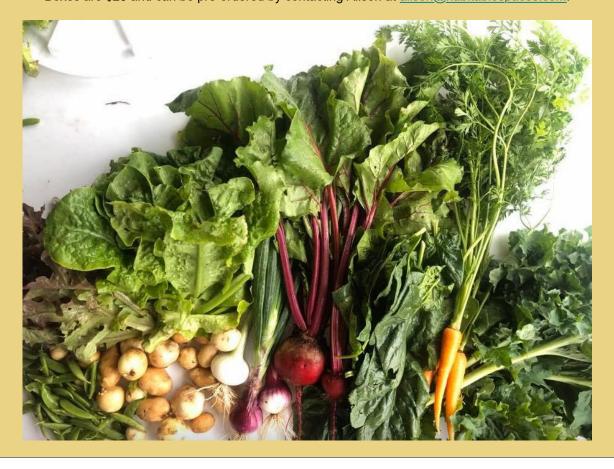
Produce Variety Boxes

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

Boxes include combinations of various produce like

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

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



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Kingsbury News Past

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

The December 18, 1875 edition of the San Antonio Express had the names of the hotel guests in town and where they were from. A very common practice in newspapers of the time.

This day, a "C Carter" from Kingsbury was staying at the Menger Hotel. Not sure who this Carter was, but they were in fine company with guests from New York, Chicago, Little Rock, Cincinnati, and Helena. If this is Helana, Texas (not Montana) it was just north of Karnes City and was, at the time, the county seat of Karnes County. According to Wikipedia: "Helena is a ghost town allegedly because of the vendetta that Colonel William G. Butler (1831–1912), a powerful rancher, had against the town he blamed for the death of his son, Emmett Butler, who had been killed by a stray bullet from a saloon brawl on December 26, 1884. A few days later, Colonel Butler went to Helena with group of cowhands and demanded to know who had shot his son and found that none of the townspeople was willing to tell the truth. Enraged, Colonel Butler reportedly shouted: "All right! For that I'll kill the town that killed my son!" Following through on his threat, Butler, a veteran of the American Civil War, arranged for the tracks of the San Antonio and Aransas Pass Railway to be built 7 mi (11 km) away from Helena. Then, in a bitterly contested election in 1894 the county seat was moved from Helena to Karnes City. Helena quickly died."

And over at the Central Hotel it says "H L Harrison, Locomotive, Pleasanton". Was there someone name "Locomotive" from Pleasanton staying at the Central? There was a "C C Fountain" from Dogtown there. Dog Town is now Tilden (between Cotula and Three Rivers) but was named Dog Town at the time because of an episode where a bunch of drunken cowboys wiped out the dogs in the town.

I ain't makin' this stuff up!



MENGER. W Meininger, Indianola; J L Pernet, Virginia; J C Layden, Sherman; W H Owen and lady, New York; C M Storey, Chicago; Lea Rennytan, James Ratcliffe, New York; Mrs. Anderson, Little Rock; Alb Marion, New Brannfels; J A Ware, Castroville; George O Wickes, Medina; Th Buerkman and wife, Helena; T O'Bryan Atascost; John Chapman, Pleasanton; A W Creely, U S A; Mrs. Amelia King, St Louis; John Berry, New Orleans; S T Brown, Boston; A G Allen, Texas; W H Woodlief, G H Eveland, Cincinnati; P C Ross, Padnoab; C Bain, Austin; C Carter, Kingsbury; James L Smith, Lee County. QENTRAL Lucy Thompson, J M Fenley, H C Kennedy, Uvalde, Thos. Walker, Ft Clark; W J Owens, San Marcos; A J Davenpors Uvalde; C C Fountain, Dogtown; H I Harrison, Locomotlye, Fleasanton; J J Roberts, Frie; J Redus, Honde, A Flek, Austin; M Benavides, T C Jackson, Frie; Dr Desmuke, Medina County; W M Crisvell, Frie Ranch; John W Taylor, W Right, Luling; F Mahon, Texas; Jno W Boyd, City.

Elsewhere in 1875, New Orleans is "mystified" by an apparent pool shark "from Texas" (had to look up "apocryphal" - it essentially means a doubtful story), Old Mrs. Connony wants a divorce because Old Mr. Connony won't stop with the tobacco, and "Ernst" just got a big load of oysters and has "large orders from the frontier posts" including McKavett which was once a fort north of Junction.

In some little tidbit items, a baby "came upon the stage of life" (I think that means it was born) at the theater, a massive "devil fish" (manta ray) was taken in Florida, and you can get "Medical Book and Secrets for the Ladies and Gents" for just the cost of "two stamps".

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And a lady in New England got stuck in the hand by a needle 24 years ago and it just now came out near her knee (I have no idea what to think of that!), there is now a stagecoach running between Uvalde and Eagle Pass, and a "good and even pious girl" in Illinois has some kind of issue where she "swears fearfully in her sleep".

New Orleans is mystified by the sudden appearance of a young stranger who casually dropped into a billiard saloon the other day, said he'd try a game or two with the proprietor, "though he didn't play much," and since that time has us ed up every good player the town can produce. He says he is "Mr. Drew, from Texas:" but that sounds apooryphal.

Ann Connony, of San Francisco, aged seventy five, wants a divorce from her husband, aged seventy-three, because he won't stop using tobacco.

ERNST has just received 10,000 fresh pysters. Better make haste, and see him, if you want to get any, for he is receiving large orders from the frontier posts, and has already shipped several thousand to McKavett. His present lot is particularly fine.

Stokes, the murderer of Fisk, has only one year more of "retirement."

The bell-boys at the Gart house, in Louisville, are all girls.

A baby in Nashville came upon the stage of life in a private box at the theater there the other night, during the performance of the play.

A devil fish was recently captured at Fernandina, Florida. He was sixteen feet wide, and fifteen feet long, with a mouth two feet wide, flus four feet long, and a tail not much thicker than a man's finger, but four feet long. He was harpooned, and it took fifteen men to haul him ashore.

GREAT

Medical Book and Secrets for the Ladies and Gents. Sent free for two stamps. Address. St. Joseph Medical Institute, oci8dly St. Joseph, Mo.

Twenty-four years ago a New England woman stuck a needle in her left hand, and only a few days' ago a piece of the selfsame needle, a quarter of an inch long, came out of one of her limbs near the knee.

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A TTENTION, TRAVELERS!

We will, from this time on, run a

UVALDE TO EAGLE PASS,

leaving Uvalde Tuesdays and Fridays of each week. Travelers from the above points will find it to their interest to patronize us.

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There is a perfectly good and even plous girl in Rock Island Ills., who swears fearingly in her sleep.

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 sometimes available.



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.

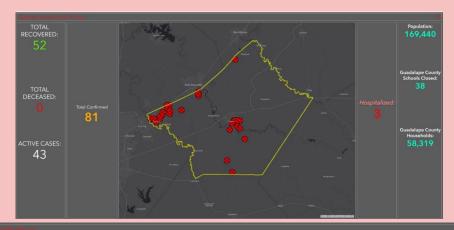
Click here to check out the Texas Water Development Board "Baker Ranch" weather

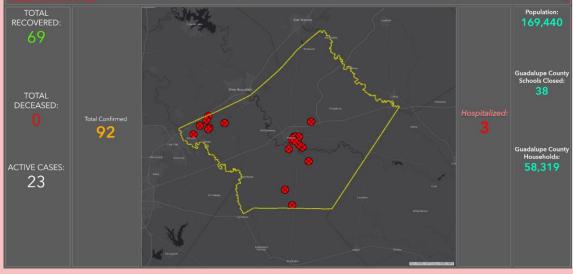
COVID-19 In Guadalupe County

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

There was a big jump in the number of active cases last week but big drop this week. As it stands, 69 people have now recovered, leaving the county with 23 active cases.

The numbers of confirmed cases grow but as people recover, the number of active cases continues to hold fairly steady after last week's bump. Last week there were 43 active cases (with only 20 the week prior) and this week there are 23. Below are the dashboards from last week and this week.





School Days In Kingsbury

A school photo when the Kingsbury School occupied the building that is now the Methodist Church. The school is the building just behind the group to the right and they are gathered on south Center Street, now known as FM-2438 on that side of the railroad tracks.

The photo is in the late 1800s (the building was used as the school from 1879 to 1917) and the children appear to be holding bundles of books and **drawings** on paper. The boys aren't wearing shoes, but he girls are wearing wonderful bonnets. The little girl standing in the middle of the front row is wearing a bonnet meant for a much larger person but she is proudly showing her drawing. There are no names associated with this group except for John Schmidt - the young man in the buggy on the right in the white shirt and holding the reins.

Click on the picture to enlarge and see all the bonnets and bows and hats and the beautiful dress the lady at the far left is wearing. Picture taking was very dignified and serious business then and there aren't a lot of smiles, but I'm sure they were very proud of their school!



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