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News & Information Newsletter



Dear Kingsbury,

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



Here Comes December


Now that Thanksgiving is past, this week sees the first days of December!



December is the twelfth and last month of the year in the Julian and Gregorian Calendars. It is the seventh and last month to have the length of 31 days.

December got its name from the Latin word *decem* (meaning ten) because it was originally the tenth month of the year in the Roman calendar, which began in March. The winter days following December were not included as part of any month. Later, the months of January and February were created out of the **monthless** period and added to the beginning of the calendar, but December retained its name.



The zodiac signs for the month of December are

-  Sagittarius (until December 21)
-  Capricorn (December 22 onward)

December's birth flower is the narcissus  which symbolizes good wishes, faithfulness and respect.

 Holly and the paperwhite  - a relative of the daffodil with lovely white blooms - are also flowers for those born in December.

December's traditional birthstone is the turquoise . It is considered a symbol of good fortune and success.

 Zircon and  tanzanite are also considered to be December birthstones.

Month-long observances in December:

- National Egg Nog Month
- National Fruit Cake Month
- National Pear Month
- National Tie Month
- National Root Vegetables and Exotic Fruits Month

DECEMBER 2020 LONG RANGE WEATHER FORECAST FOR TEXAS & OKLAHOMA

Dec 1-5 Sunny, warm
Dec 6-12 Showers, turning cold
Dec 13-22 Rainy periods, turning milder
Dec 23-28 Sunny, cold
Dec 29-31 Showers

December temperature 52° (1° above avg.)
precipitation 1.5" (1" below avg.)



The dark winter night sky is a joy to behold. Look skyward on the night of December 13th after sunset for a chance to catch a glimpse of the Geminid meteors at their peak. Some shooting stars associated with the shower are expected to be visible each night from December 4th to December 17th this year.

It will be the best meteor shower of 2020, no question about it. Though it's a chilly time in the Northern Hemisphere, the Geminids will peak at an ideal time, just one day after the new moon.

You'll begin to see Geminids after sunset, and their numbers will increase up until about 2 o'clock in the morning, when you'll see the most Geminids

Unlike the most other showers, the Geminids are the by-product of an asteroid. The debris that falls onto Earth's atmosphere during this meteor shower comes from asteroid Phaethon.



Thunder in December presages fine weather.

A green Christmas, a white Easter.

As the days lengthen, so the cold strengthens.

If it rains much during the twelve days after Christmas, it will be a wet year.



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:

November 29 - Electronic Greetings Day

November 30 - National Personal Space Day, National Mason Jar Day, National Mousse Day, National Meth Awareness Day, Computer Security Day, Stay Home Because You're Well Day, National Mississippi Day, Cyber Monday

December 1 - National Pie Day, National Eat a Red Apple Day, Bifocals at the Monitor Liberation Day, Day With(out) Art Day, Rosa Parks Day, World Trick Shot Day, National Day

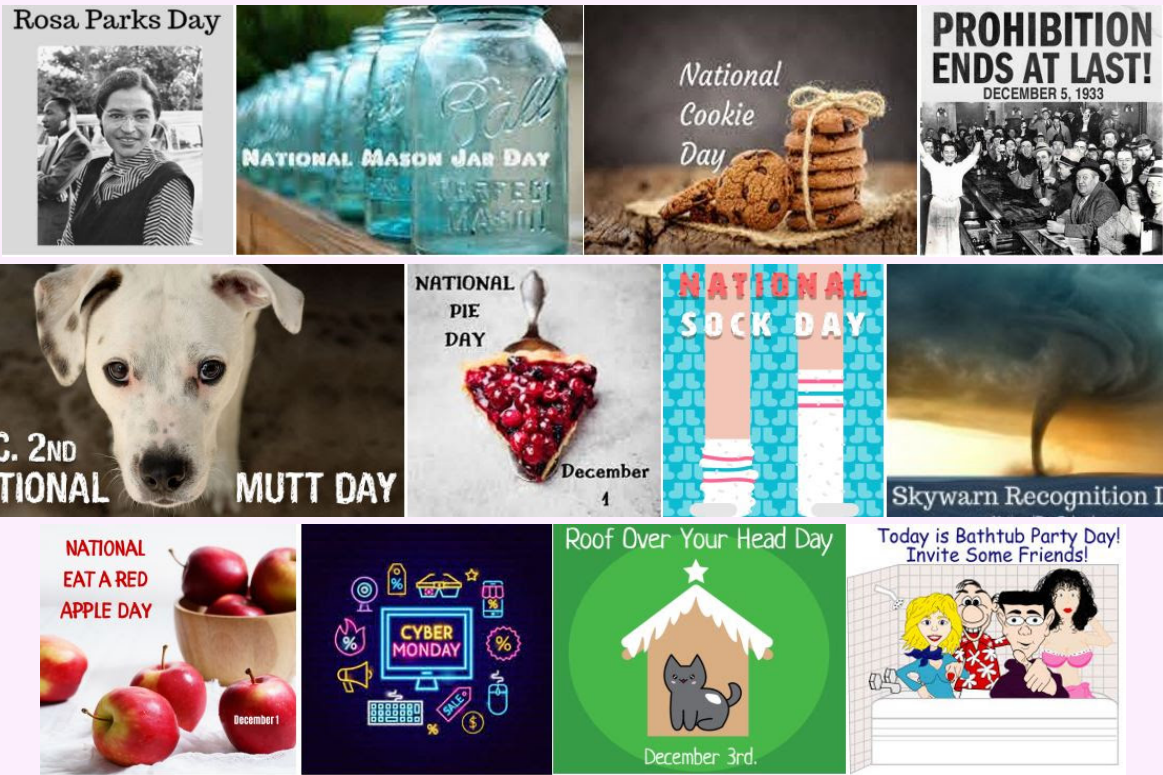
of Giving

December 2 - National Fritters Day, National Mutt Day, Special Education Day, National Package Protection Day

December 3 - National Roof Over Your Head Day

December 4 - National Cookie Day, National Dice Day, National Sock Day, Faux Fur Friday, National Bartender Day

December 5 - National Sacher Torte Day, Bathtub Party Day, International Ninja Day, National Repeal Day, National Rhubarb Vodka Day, Skywarn Recognition Day



Full Beaver Moon

This week will be the full moon known as the Full Beaver Moon. The full Moon crests on Monday, November 30th at 3:30 a.m. Kingsbury time. Of course, it will be very close to full the night before, so plan to look for it starting on Sunday, November 29th, just after sunset!

November’s full Moon was called the Beaver Moon by both the colonists and the Algonquin tribes because this was the time to set beaver traps before the swamps froze, to ensure a supply of warm winter furs. It's also when beavers become particularly active - building their winter dams in preparation for the cold season.

The November full Moon has also been called the Frost Moon and the Freezing Moon. Judging by the chilly weather that becomes more and more common at this time of year, it’s not hard to understand how these names came about! Another name, the Digging (or Scratching) Moon, evokes an image of animals **scratching** at the fallen leaves, foraging for fallen nuts or remaining shoots of green foliage—with the implication that winter is on its way.

Some of the other names for the November full moon are:

- Colonial American - Beaver Moon
- Chinese - White Moon
- Celtic - Dark Moon
- Medieval English - Snow Moon
- Arapaho - Moon When the Rivers Start To Freeze
- Cheyenne - Deer Rutting Moon
- Mohawk - Time Of Much Poverty Moon
- Choctaw - Moon of the Panther
- Comanche - Heading to Winter Moon
- Hopi - Moon of Fledgling Hawk
- Pueblo - Moon When All Is Gathered In
- Shawnee - Long Moon
- Lakota - Moon When Winter Begins
- Sioux - Falling Leaves Moon
- Cherokee - Trading Moon
- Choctaw - Sassafras Moon
- Dakotah Sioux - Moon When Horns Are Broken Off

MOON FACTS



Did you know: The spin-time of the Moon on its own axis is identical to the time it takes the Moon to revolve around Earth, which is why the Moon always keeps almost exactly the same face toward us.



How much would you weigh on the Moon? Just multiply your weight (it doesn't matter if it's in pounds or kilograms) by 0.165. You'd weigh about 80 percent less!



Lunar Eclipse

During the Full Beaver Moon this year, there will also be a penumbral lunar eclipse. This eclipse will be the fourth of 2020.

The penumbral lunar eclipse occurs when the Sun, the Earth, and the Moon are **imperfectly** aligned with each other. During this eclipse, the Earth blocks some of the Sun's light from directly reaching the Moon's surface, and covers nearly all or part of the moon with the outer part of its shadow.

As the penumbra is fainter than the dark core of the Earth's shadow, a penumbral eclipse is often difficult to differentiate from a normal full moon.

For a penumbral eclipse to take place, two celestial events must happen at the same time: The moon must be in the full moon phase, and the Sun, the Earth, and the Moon must all be nearly aligned, but not as perfectly aligned as during a total or partial eclipse.

Sky gazers need to remember three times to catch the penumbral eclipse: It starts before the full moon at 1:32 a.m.; reaches its maximum at 3:42 a.m. when 83% of the moon will be covered with Earth's faint shadow; and ends at 5:53 a.m. Monday morning.

Penumbral
Lunar Eclipse
Nov 30, 2020



Market Day

There will be a Farmer's Market / Market Day 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.



Plant starts, fruit trees, herbs, Kingsbury T-shirts, food, drinks, lemonade, homemade soaps, and colorful face masks are usually on hand also.



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](#)

What The ??

There was apparently quite the dress-up party in Kingsbury in March of 1954 for a "Womanless Wedding"! In the gymnasium of the Kingsbury School, men in all manner of dress entertained a room full of people with their **antics**. These men were all pillars of our community and apparently knew how to entertain a crowd!

- 1) Herman Schmidt and Bob Jones
- 2) Fred Maurer "as Mrs. (FDR) Roosevelt" and Son Halm
- 3) Adolph Knobloch and Jimmy Halm
- 4) Pat Baker and Max Tausch



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