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News & Information Newsletter



Dear Kingsbury,

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

Daylight Saving Time Ends Today

Daylight Saving Time 2019 ended today, Sunday, November 3rd at 2:00 a.m.

Hopefully, before you went to bed on Saturday night, you remembered to “fall back” by setting your clocks back one hour. The exceptions are Arizona, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, and American Samoa.

Credit for Daylight Saving Time belongs to Benjamin Franklin, who first suggested the idea in 1784. The idea was revived in 1907, when William Willett, an Englishman, proposed a similar system in the pamphlet *The Waste of Daylight*. The Germans were the first to officially adopt the light-extending system in 1915 as a fuel-saving measure during World War I. The British switched one year later, and the United States followed in 1918, when Congress passed the Standard Time Act, which established our time zones. This experiment lasted only until 1920, when the law was repealed due to opposition from dairy farmers (**cows** don't pay attention to clocks).

During World War II, Daylight Saving Time was imposed once again (this time year-round) to save fuel. Since then, Daylight Saving Time has been used on and off, with different start and end dates. Currently, Daylight Saving Time begins at 2:00 a.m. on the second Sunday of March and ends at 2:00 a.m. on the first Sunday in November.



Fall Harvest Festival

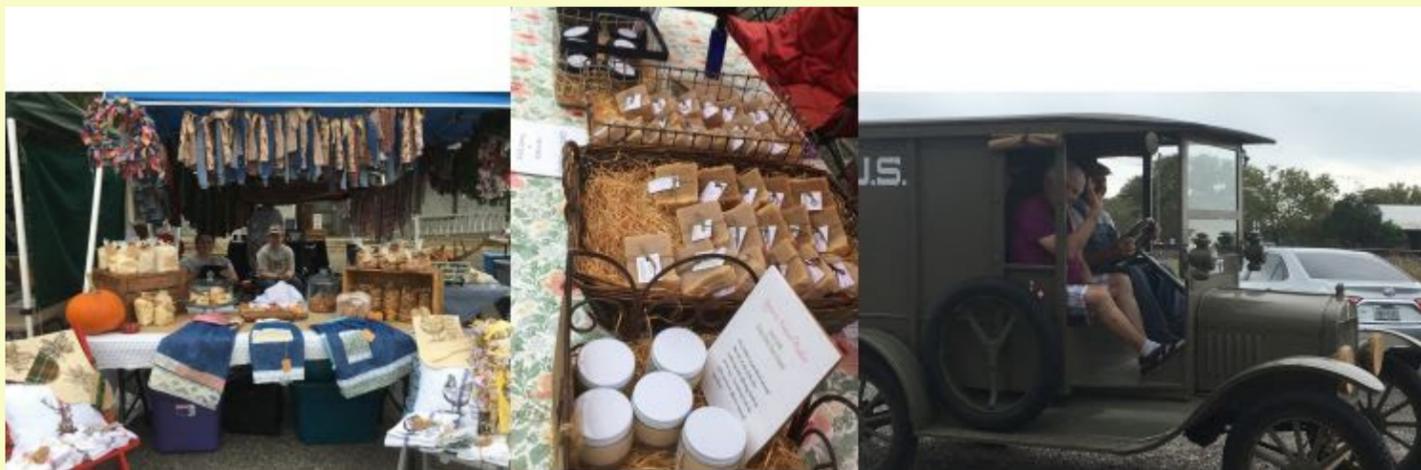
The 8th Annual Fall Harvest Festival will be coming up Saturday, November 9th.

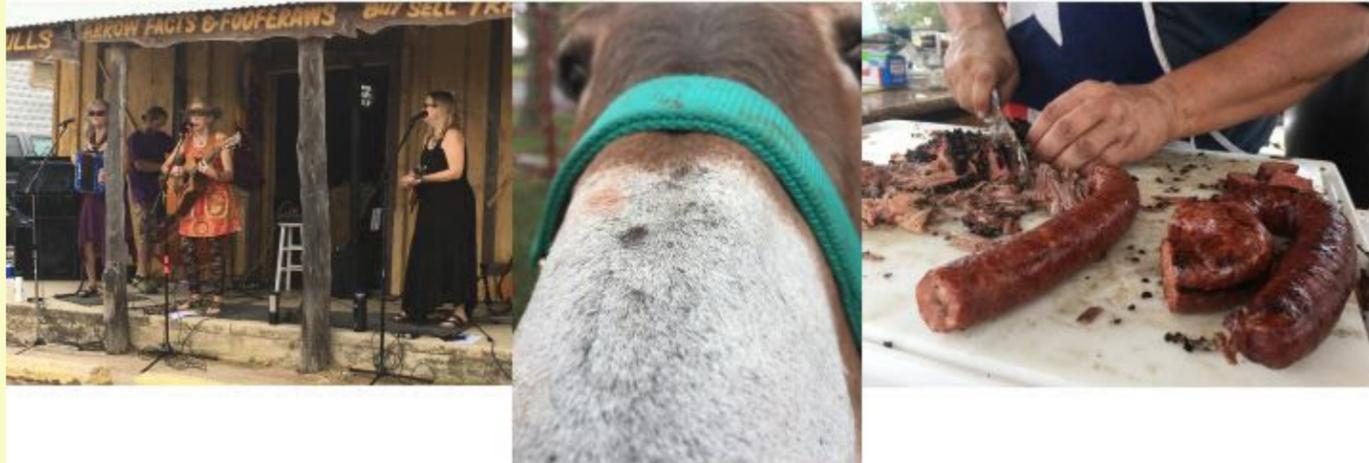
Bring the family and join the fun, have some great food, pick out some awesome Christmas **gifts**, do some tradin', dance with the one that brung ya, and let the kids have a great time!

EVENTS THIS YEAR:

- World Famous Tradin' Post (bring something to trade)
- Wellness Tent
- Petting Zoo
- Fiber Arts
- Farmer's Market
- Blacksmithing
- Bar-B-Q
- Haydive for the kids
- Live music all day long

The fun is from Noon to 6pm on Railway Street in downtown Kingsbury.





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 3 - National Housewife's Day National Sandwich Day Daylight Saving Time Ends

November 4 - National Chicken Lady Day National Candy Day Color the World Orange Day
Job Action Day Traffic Directors Day

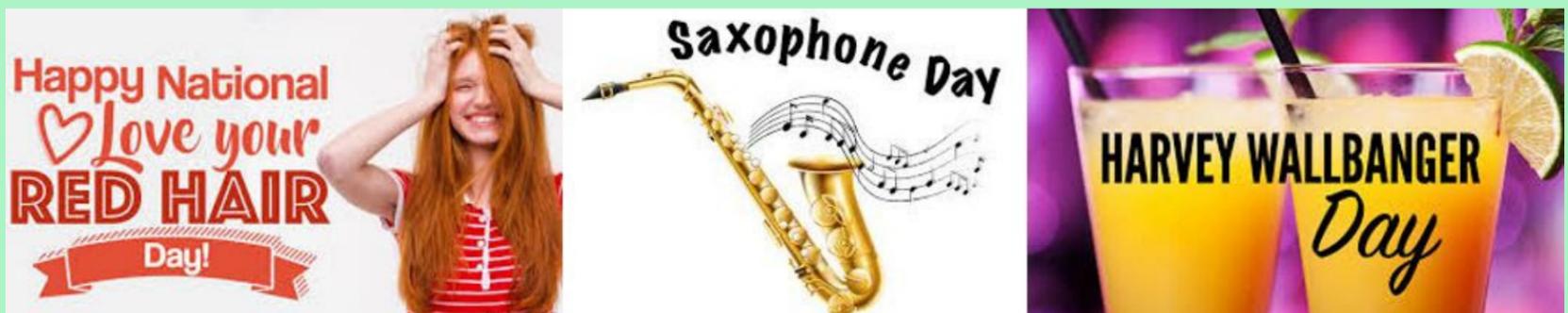
November 5 - National Doughnut Day National Love Your Red Hair Day

November 6 - National Nachos Day Saxophone Day National Stress Awareness Day

November 7 - National Cash Back Day National Bittersweet Chocolate with Almonds Day
National Canine Lymphoma Awareness Day National Men Make Dinner Day (Must Cook. No BBQ Allowed!)

November 8 - National Cappuccino Day National Harvey Wallbanger Day National Parents as Teachers Day
National STEM/STEAM Day

November 9 - National Scrapple Day Microtia Awareness Day National Louisiana 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.

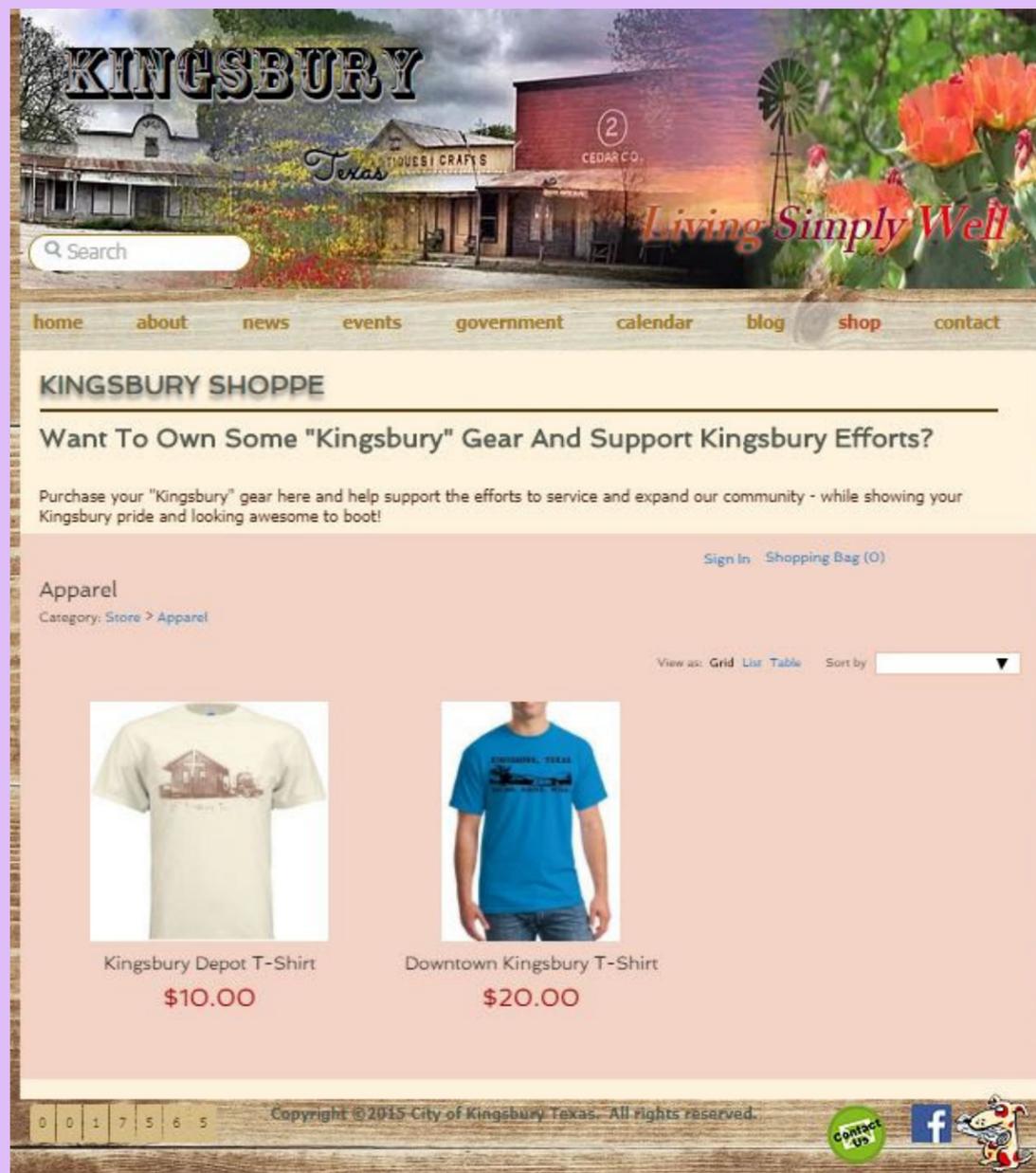
That says it all, doesn't it?!

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!



Big Boy Headed This Way!

Kingsbury was laid out by plat in 1875 when the railroad tracks finally arrived from the east and has been a railroad town ever since. The Galveston Harrisburg & San Antonio Railway that was built through here was part of the growing network of tracks off the transcontinental railroad that was completed in 1869.

Now, the Union Pacific Railroad is commemorating the 150th anniversary of that historic moment when the railroads of the east and west finally met. UP has restored a Big Boy **locomotive** and is touring the Southwest including a section through Kingsbury!

The Union Pacific Big Boy is a type of simple articulated 4-8-8-4 steam locomotive manufactured by the American Locomotive Company between 1941 and 1944 and operated by the Union Pacific Railroad in revenue service until 1959.

The 25 Big Boy locomotives were built to haul freight over the Wasatch mountains between Ogden, Utah, and Green River, Wyoming. In the late 1940s, they were reassigned to Cheyenne, Wyoming, where they hauled freight over Sherman Hill to Laramie, Wyoming. They were the only locomotives to use a 4-8-8-4 wheel arrangement: four-wheel leading truck for stability entering curves, two sets of eight driving wheels and a four-wheel trailing truck to support the large firebox.

Eight Big Boys survive, most on static display at museums across the country. One of them, No. 4014, was re-acquired by Union Pacific and restored to operating condition in 2019, regaining the title as the largest and most powerful operating steam locomotive in the world!

Now, Union Pacific's historic Big Boy steam locomotive No. 4014 is touring the Union Pacific system throughout 2019 to commemorate the transcontinental railroad's 150th anniversary.

The Big Boy's return to the rails is the product of more than two years of meticulous restoration work by the Union Pacific Steam Team. No. 4014 is the world's only operating Big Boy locomotive.

Big Boy 4014 is scheduled to leave San Antonio on November 6th at 8:00 am and arrive in Luling at 10:00 am for a 30 minute layover. This means it will be coming through Kingsbury shortly before it's arrival in Luling.

Won't it be a sight to see for a steam engine to come chugging it's way through Kingsbury?!



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, November 7th

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 2019 will be Thursday, November 7th 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!



Kingsbury News Past

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

The September 9, 1875 edition of the San Antonio Daily Express had the usual report on the stage coach comings and goings including the stage to and from Kingsbury. That day coming in from Kingsbury, Mrs. Dorgan took up 3 seats (Was she a very plus-sized lady? Was she protecting her personal space by buying the spots on the bench on either side of her?), and H. Young was traveling with a "lady". Departing on the stagecoach for Kingsbury (and then probably the train to go farther east) was "one Chinaman" - a cringe inducing term today, but fairly common in 1875.



Stage Arrivals.
VIA KINGSBURY.
Mrs. Dorgan (3 seats), H. Young and
lady, E. M. Dunbar.

Departures by Stage.
VIA KINGSBURY,
George Frankel, one Chinaman, J.
Terry, Andrew Drake, W. Alexander,
Jose James.

Elsewhere, there's a new dancing pavilion that is the "pleasure resort of the City", the Corrugated Elbow Co. has stovepipe elbows for "beauty" and "a perfect draft" (and who doesn't want a beautiful stovepipe elbow?), and the wheat crop this year was "very large" and therefore Guenter's Mills has a lot of flour and would like the public to "help consume the surplus".

In New Salem (once a little town southeast of Tyler) someone called to Dr. Shelton from his gate in the dark and then shot him with "a heavily loaded fowling piece" (indeed a "dastardly murder!"), M.G. Cotton has "plain and ornamental wood work" along with a pretty ornamental ad, the Rio Grande is likely to overflow again for a hundred miles, and H. Grenet has all you need in "willow ware", cordage, and "segars" - I think that's probably pronounced "see-gars"!

Two Texans had a sword duel in Louisiana, Mr. Wallingham's hogs got into Mr. Long's field and Mr. Long clubbed him while he was just trying to get them out (I hope he paid for that!), get your cigar cases and fine walking canes "direct from Europe" and croquet games at "Pentenrieder & Co.'s Successor" (what happened to the original Pentenrieder & Co.?), and the customs house at La Reforma was attacked by "contrabandistas". Two of the smugglers "were rendered *hors du combat*" (unable to fight any further) and since they got away with nothing "it is supposed the smugglers had the best of it."

WOLFRAM'S
CENTRAL GARDEN!!

**A NEW DANCING PAVILION
 ERECTED!**
THE PLEASURE RESORT of the CITY.

This delightful retreat has been greatly improved by the Proprietor, in the way of convenience for the pleasure of the public.

A NEW DANCING PARLOR
 has just been erected, which will be rented to associations for theatre, or concert, and persons wishing to dance.

This garden cannot be equalled in natural beauty, and the best of refreshments can be obtained.

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GUENTHER'S MILLS.

SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, }
 July 15, 1875. }

THE WHEAT CROP OF THIS YEAR
 is very large and of good quality, and my mills are among the very best in America.

GUENTHER'S FLOUR
 is therefore the best and cheapest in San Antonio. My old customers cannot possibly eat up all the flour I shall grind this year: therefore I hope the public generally will give it a trial, and help consume the surplus.

15-7-daw3m] **C. H. GUENTHER.**

DASTARDLY MURDER.

Troupe, Sept. 6.—Parties from New Salem, a small town east of here, bring the following particular of a murder: Dr Shelton, a respected citizen hearing some one calling at his gate last Thursday night, went out to see what was wanted. Soon afterwards was heard the startling discharge of a heavily loaded fowling piece. Parties within the house now ran out, when they beheld lying upon the ground, near the gate, the ghastly corpse of Dr. Shelton, half obscured in his blood.

M. G. COTTON,
CONTRACTOR and BUILDER

OF
 All kinds of Plain and Ornamental
WOOD WORK

Shop on the west side of Soledad St.,
 two doors above the Post-office.

The Rio Grande is getting within its banks, but if the report be true, Camargo has been inundated, by the bursting of a water spout, the river will again rise, and possibly again overflow the bottoms for a hundred miles on each side.

H. GRENET!!

GENERAL MERCHANDISE!!!

**WINES, LIQUORS,
 SEGARS, ETC.**

**CROCKERY,
 GLASSWARE,
 WOODEN AND
 WILLOW WARE!!**

**ROPE, TWINE,
 CORDAGE, ETC.**

CAPT. L. E. EDWARDS WOUNDED.

Brashear City, La., Sept. 6.—A duel was fought here yesterday evening between two Texans, Mr. Geo. T. Bondies and Capt. L. E. Edwards. The arms used were small swords, and resulted, after the first pass, in Capt. Edwards being wounded in the neck. The wound, though serious, is not considered mortal.

ANOTHER MURDER.

Terrell, Tex., Sep. 6.—A horrible murder was committed two miles south of here on Friday. Wallingham's hogs having gotten into Robert Long's field, Wallingham went there to get them out, and was found shortly afterward with his skull terribly fractured, as if done with a heavy club. He lived forty-eight hours, but was unconscious. The Coroner's jury charged Wallingham's death to the hands of Robert Long.

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 Embroideries,
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 Genuine Meerschaum Cigar Holders.

ALSO RECEIVED:

A full assortment of Satin, Basket and Seed Beads. Also Base Balls and Base Ball Bats.

CROQUET GAMES.

BROWNSVILLE, Sept. 5, 1875.

On the night of the 2d inst., at La Reforma, in the jurisdiction of San Fernando, Mexico, a post of custom house guards was attacked by a party of contrabandistas. Antonio Gerro, the chief of the officers, and two of his men, were wounded—one severely. It is said that two of the smugglers were rendered *hors du combat*; but as no merchandise was seized, it is supposed the smugglers had the best of it.

The Wings and Wheels Fall Fly-In at the Old Kingsbury Aerodrome and Pioneer Flight **Museum** (on Pershing Lane just off of FM 1104) is coming up Saturday, November 9th.

The event will have re-enactors, lots of vintage planes, antique cars and cycles, yummy eats and treats, live music, and tons of fun! There's plenty there for the whole family!

Gates open at 9 am and the entry is free (but donations are gladly accepted!).

The poster features a central illustration of a vintage biplane with a cross on its tail. To the left is a blue vintage car, and to the right is a black vintage car. The text is arranged in a classic, bold, serif font. At the top, it says 'THE PIONEER FLIGHT MUSEUM PRESENTS'. Below that, the main title 'WINGS & WHEELS FLY-IN' is written in large, red, outlined letters. The date 'NOVEMBER 9, 2019' is in a similar style. The categories 'VINTAGE CLASSIC ANTIQUE' are listed on the left, and 'AIRCRAFT & VEHICLES!' is on the right. In the center, it says 'FOOD TRUCKS & OTHER VENDORS' and 'REENACTOR DISPLAYS'. At the bottom, it says 'OLD KINGSBURY AERODROME', 'Bring the Whole Family!', and 'GATES OPEN 9 AM' with a small red tractor icon. A note at the bottom right says 'DONATIONS GRATEFULLY ACCEPTED AT THE GATE'.

THE PIONEER FLIGHT MUSEUM PRESENTS

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All November Long

There are several things we can celebrate all **month** long in November!

- Adopt A Senior Pet Month
- Banana Pudding Lovers Month
- Historic Bridge Awareness Month
- Military Family Month
- National Fun with Fondue Month
- National Inspirational Role Models Month
- National Native American Heritage Month
- National Family Literacy Month
- National Novel Writing Month
- National Pepper Month
- National Raisin Bread Month
- National Scholarship Month
- Sweet Potato Awareness Month
- Aviation History Month
- Family Stories Month
- November
- National Adoption Month
- National Gratitude Month
- National Peanut Butter Lovers Month
- National Pomegranate Month
- National Roasting Month
- Spinach and Squash Month
- Vegan Month



Peanut Butter Lovers Month



November is... Sweet Potato Awareness Month



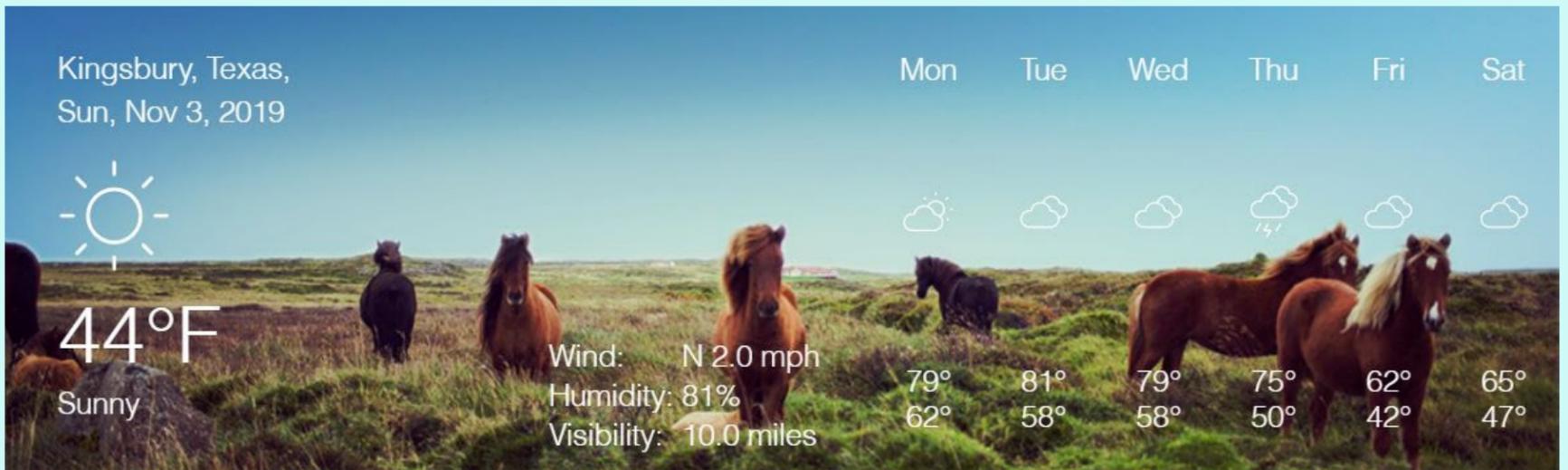
November Is National

Pomegranate Month!



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](#)

Recycling and Collection Center

The Guadalupe County Commissioners Court voted to approve a contract with the service provider for the county recycling centers.

The Kingsbury and Marion stations will **reopen** on Wednesday, November 6th at 8:30 a.m.. The Seguin station will not reopen. You will be able to take your trash and recycling items Wednesdays through Saturdays from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

There will be some changes for those that use these facilities when they reopen:



The centers will no longer take in glass for recycling due to the heavy costs.



The cost of household trash will go from the previous \$1.25 per bag to \$2 per bag.



Only Guadalupe County residents will be allowed to use the stations.

See all the rules and regulations by clicking [here](#).



**OPENING
SOON**

Kingsbury Rush Hour

A street scene in Kingsbury around 1900. The railroad tracks are running in front of a large pile of bricks and a part of the lumber company that has the remnants of an old Barnum & Bailey advertisement on the side. I wonder if the Barnum & Bailey circus ever came through Kingsbury?

There is a **windmill** turning above the general store that is advertising shoes on the sign hanging from the awning. There is a traffic gridlock as men and carts stop to discuss the day's events.

The gentleman in the two-horse cart is Kingsbury resident John H. Schmidt (1853 - 1932 and father of "Doc" Schmidt) - you can even see his signature mustache from this distance.



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!

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