

Kingsbury News & Information Newsletter - June 23, 2019

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Kingsbury Texas

News & Information Newsletter



Dear Kingsbury,

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

50th Annual Kingsbury VFD Bar-B-Q

Mark your calendars for the 50th Annual Kingsbury Volunteer Fire Department Bar-B-Q Fundraiser coming up July 27th!

This is the 50th year of the KVFD and this 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 delicious Bar-B-Q, an **exciting** Live Auction, a silent auction, the famous Country Store, a raffle for over \$1300 in cash and prizes, tons of homemade desserts, a free dance under the stars with Clint Taft and the Buck Wild Band and so much more!

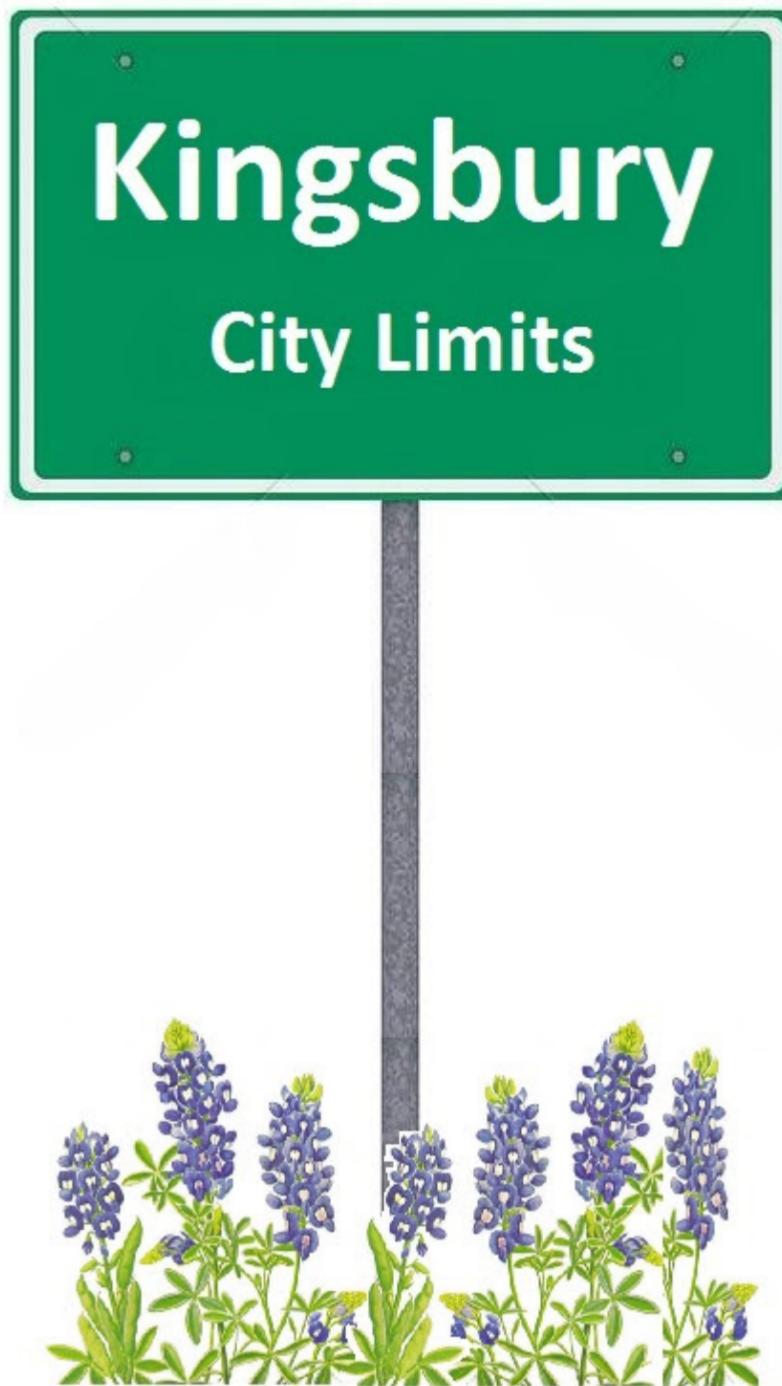
More information to come!



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!



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 23 - National Hydration Day, National Pink Day, National Pecan Sandies Day

June 24 - National Pralines Day

June 25 - National Strawberry Parfait Day, National Catfish Day, National Leon Day

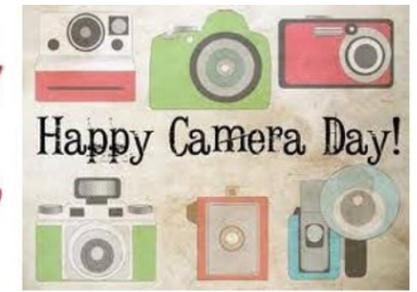
June 26 - National Coconut Day, National Beautician's Day, National Chocolate Pudding Day, National Parchment Day

June 27 - National Onion Day, National Ice Cream Cake Day, National Sunglasses Day, National Orange Blossom Day, National PTSD Awareness Day, National Bomb Pop Day, National Handshake Day

June 28 - National Logistics Day, National Paul Bunyan Day, National Insurance Awareness Day, National Alaska Day

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





Texan Makes Aviation History

This week in aviation history, Texas native Wiley Post and Harold Gatty took off in an attempt to fly around the world. Post, born at Corinth in Van Zandt County, was one of the best-known fliers in the world.

On June 23, 1931, Post and the Australian navigator Harold Gatty, left Roosevelt Field on Long Island, New York, in the *Winnie Mae* with a flight plan that would take them around the world, stopping at Harbour Grace (Newfoundland and Labrador), Flintshire in Wales, Hanover twice, Berlin, Moscow, Novosibirsk in Siberia, Irkutsk (eastern Siberia), Blagoveshchensk (Russia), Khabarovsk (southeastern Russia), Nome (Alaska), where his propeller had to be repaired, Fairbanks, Alaska where the propeller was replaced, Edmonton in Alberta, Canada, and Cleveland before returning to Roosevelt Field.

They arrived back on July 1, after traveling 15,474 miles (24,903 km) in the record time of 8 days and 15 hours and 51 minutes, in the first successful aerial **circumnavigation** by a single-engined monoplane. The reception they received rivaled Charles Lindbergh's everywhere they went. They had lunch at the White House on July 6, rode in a ticker-tape parade the next day in New York City, and were honored at a banquet given by the Aeronautical Chamber of Commerce of America at the Hotel Astor. After the flight, Post acquired the *Winnie Mae* from F.C. Hall, and he and Gatty published an account of their journey titled, *Around the World in Eight Days*, with an introduction by Will Rogers.

Two years later, Post beat his earlier time by more than twenty-one hours. He may be most famous, however, for piloting the plane in which he and humorist Will Rogers died at Point Barrow, Alaska, on August 15, 1935.



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Wiley Post and Harold Gatty in Germany.

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.**

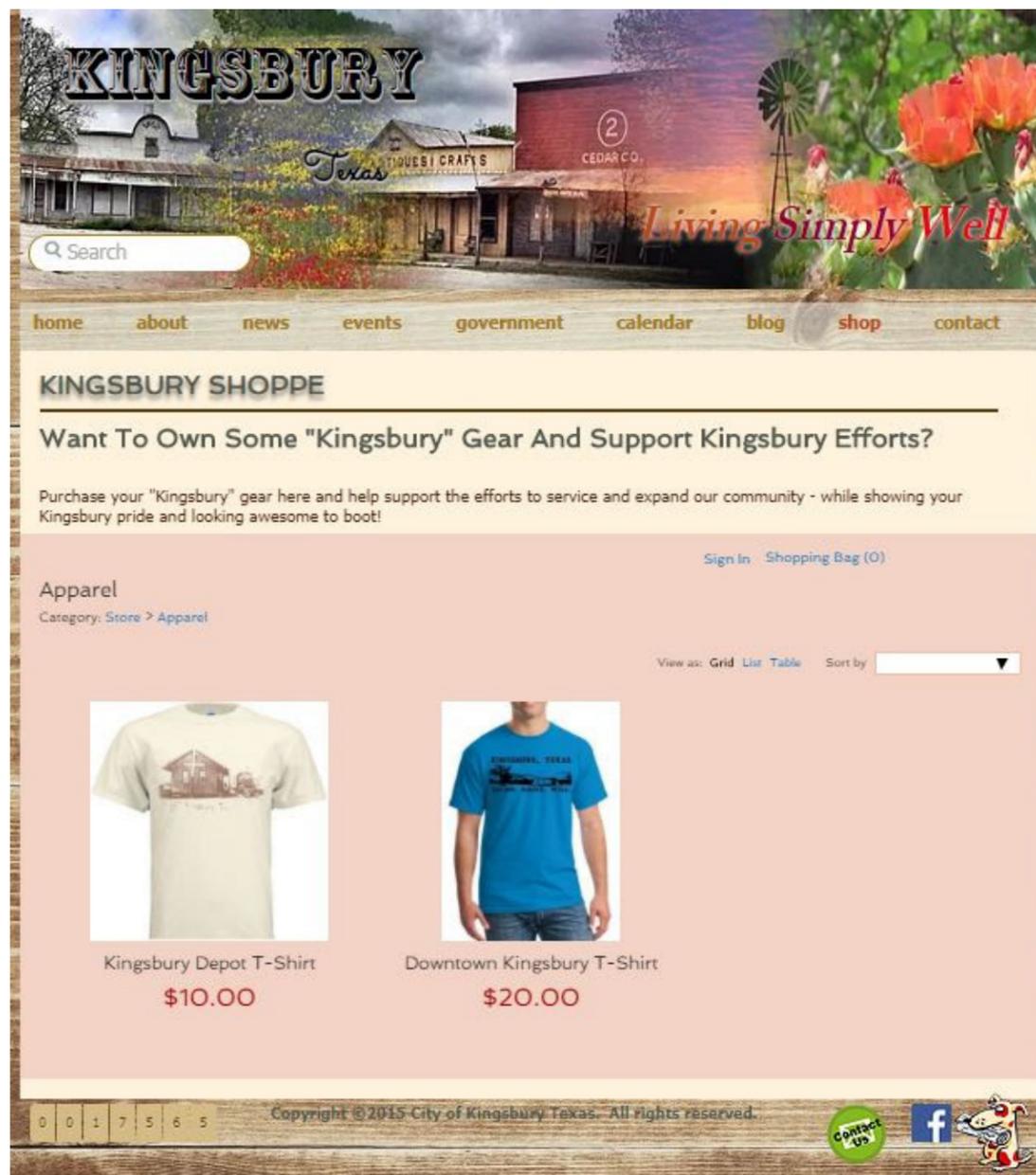
That says it all, doesn't it?!

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!



Kingsbury Opry

Every Friday night, The Kingsbury Opry plays on at [10585 Hwy 90 East](#) (the building known to most locals as the "Old Bluebird Inn"). The music and dancing start at 5:00, and bring a pot luck dish and enjoy dinner at 6:15. There's no smoking and no alcohol, just good ol' pickin' and **grinnin'**! Dance with the one that brung ya, have some pot luck goodies, and get up and sing with the band! See more at Kingsbury Opry.



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

Gander Slough

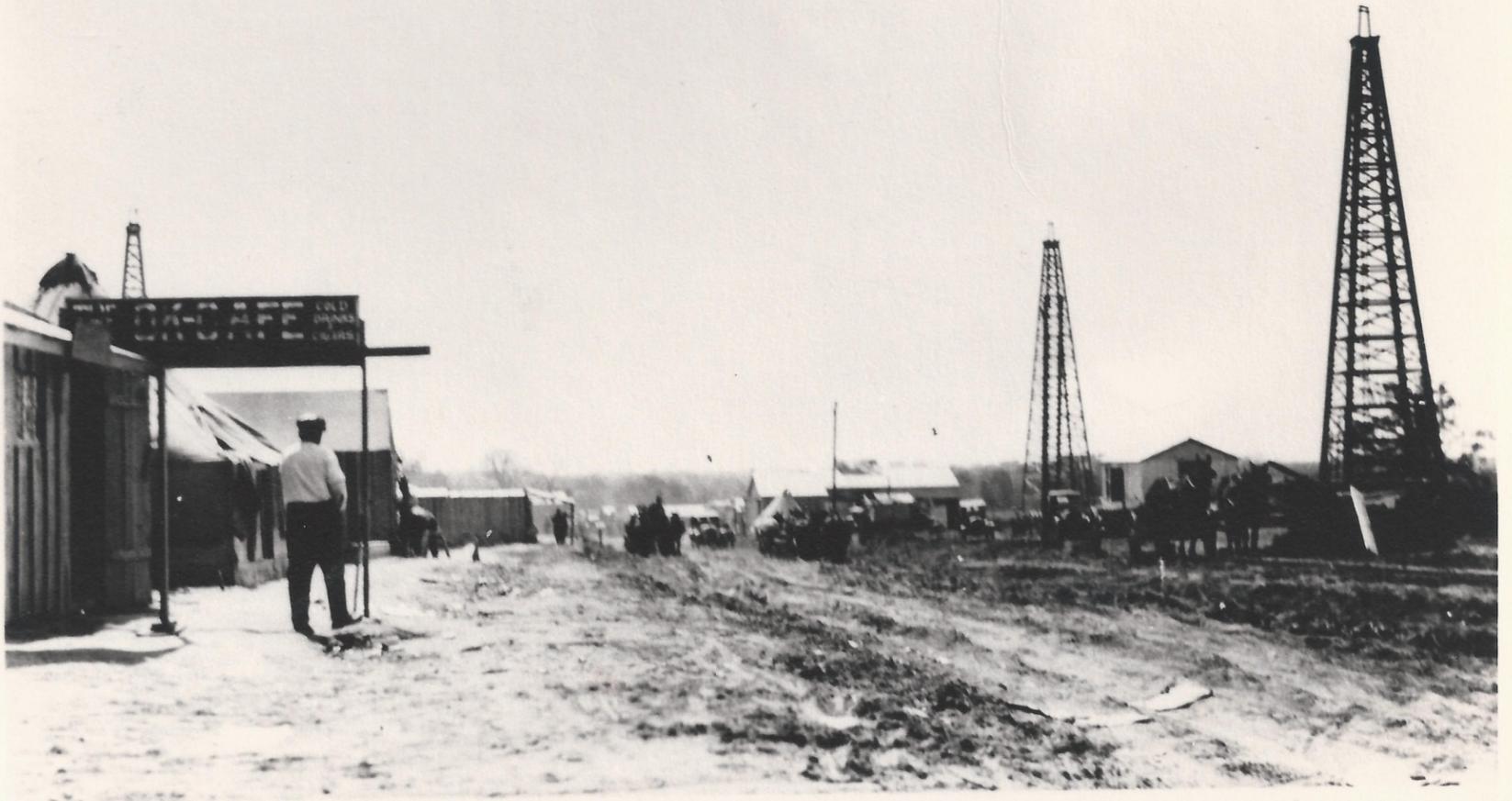
A picture of Gander Slu, Texas, near Kingsbury and Sullivan in eastern Guadalupe County in 1923. Gander Slu was from 1859 to 1866 the site of a post office called Barrowsdale, after Dr. Leonard Barrow. Oil was discovered in the area in 1922 and Sullivan became a loading site for oil tank railroad cars. The landowner, a Mr. Allen, suggested the name Allensville for the community that grew up around the oilfield, but one of the workers suggested "Gander Slough," a play on the name of the Goose Creek oilfield near Baytown. The worker put up a sign with the spelling "Slu."

The population was twenty-five in 1945, when the settlement included a few houses, a cemetery, and oil pumps. Gander Slu was not shown on county highway maps in 1987.

In the picture, one of the buildings on the left appears to be a big tent instead of a hard-sided structure. The road in front of it and the OK Cafe is an ugly, **sloppy** mess! And there are about as many gasoline-powered vehicles trying to traverse the mud as there are horse and mule carts.

I think the horses and mules probably won the war with the mud that day!

Gender Slough 1923



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Send them this email! All they need to do is go to the [Kingsbury website](#), 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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