

Kingsbury News & Information Newsletter - May 26, 2019

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Kingsbury Texas

News & Information Newsletter



Dear Kingsbury,

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

Memorial Day

Monday, May 27th, is Memorial Day where Americans remember those who died while serving in the country's armed forces.

The first time we honored those who made the **ultimate** sacrifice was May 30, 1868, when, by proclamation of General John A. Logan of the Grand Army of the Republic, the first major Memorial Day observance is held to honor those who died "in defense of their country during the late rebellion." Known to some as "Decoration Day," mourners honored the Civil War dead by decorating their graves with flowers. On the first Decoration Day, General James Garfield made a speech at Arlington National Cemetery, after which 5,000 participants helped to decorate the graves of the more than 20,000 Union and Confederate soldiers buried in the cemetery.

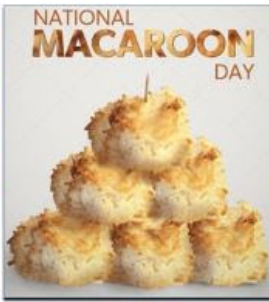
By the late 1800's, many communities across the country had begun to celebrate Memorial Day, and after World War I, observers began to honor the dead of all of America's wars. In 1971, Congress declared Memorial Day a national holiday to be celebrated the last Monday in May. Today, Memorial Day is celebrated at Arlington National Cemetery with a ceremony in which a small American flag is placed on each grave. It is customary for the president or vice president to give a speech honoring the contributions of the dead and to lay a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.



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 26th Nat'l Blueberry Cheesecake Day National Paper Airplane Day	May 30th National Creativity Day National Water a Flower Day National Hole <u>In</u> My Bucket Day National Mint Julep Day Loomis Day World Multiple Sclerosis Day	June 1 World Reef Awareness Day National Olive Day National Heimlich Maneuver Day National Go Barefoot Day National Nail Polish Day National Say Something Nice Day National <u>Penpal</u> Day National Hazelnut Cake Day National Black Bear Day National Bubbly Day National Prairie Day National Trails Day
May 27th National Cellophane Tape Day National Grape Popsicle Day National Memorial Day	May 31st Autonomous Vehicle Day National Save Your Hearing Day National Speak in Sentences Day National Macaroon Day National Utah Day National Smile Day Necrotizing Fasciitis Awareness Day	
May 28th National Brisket Day National Hamburger Day		
May 29th National Paperclip Day National Coq Au Vin Day Nat'l Senior Health & Fitness Day		



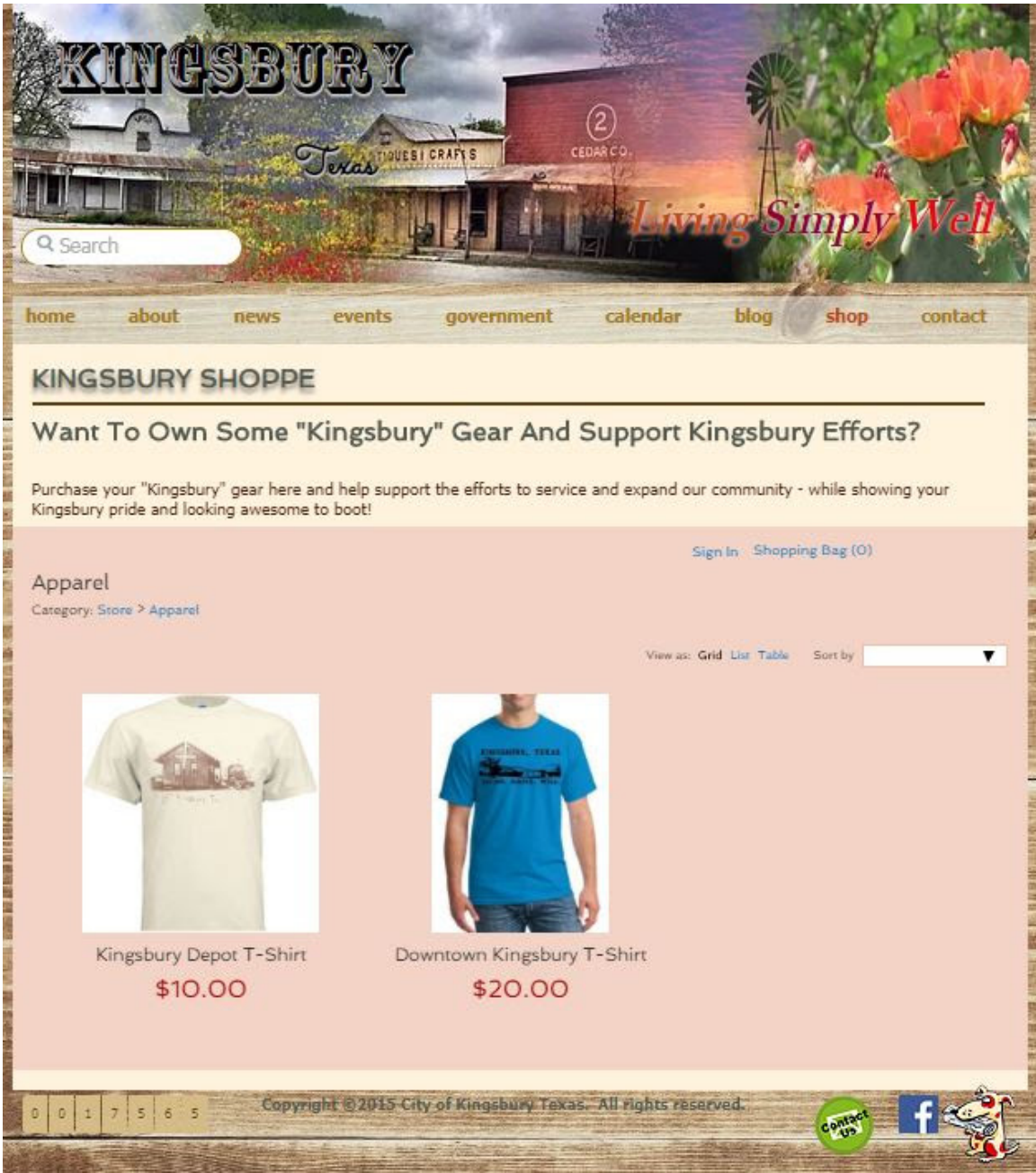
Kingsbury T-Shirts - Now Available Online!

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!

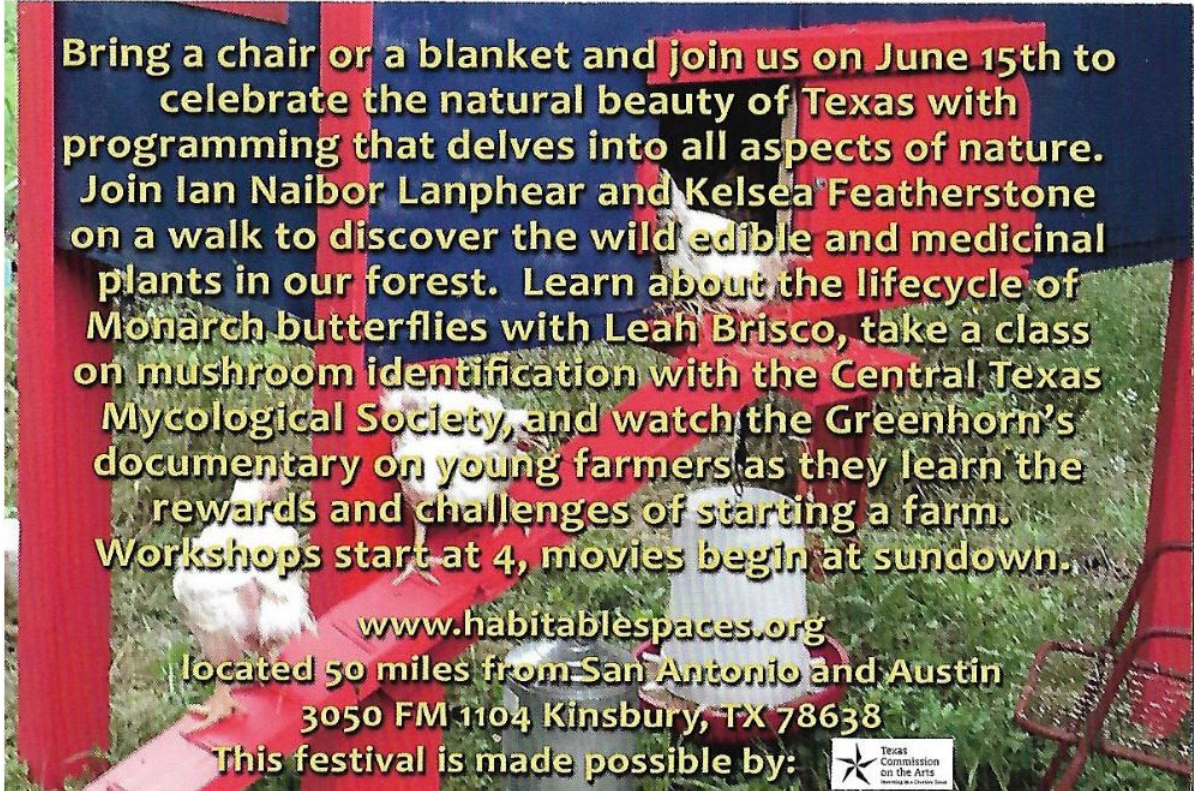
Visit the Kingsbury website at www.kingsburytexas.org to get your new T-shirt sent to you today!



2019 Summer Solstice Film Festival

Mark your calendars for the Fifth Annual Summer **Solstice** Film Festival!

It's coming up June 15th at Habitable Spaces on FM 1104. There will be all kinds of workshops starting at 4 pm and the films start on the big screen at sundown.



Here Comes June!

This week will see the first day of the month of June!

The Latin name for June is *Junius*. June is named after the Roman goddess **Juno**, the goddess of marriage and the wife of the supreme deity Jupiter.

In ancient Rome, the period from mid-May through mid-June was considered inauspicious for marriage. Ovid says that he consulted the *Flaminica Dialis*, the high priestess of Jupiter, about setting a date for his daughter's wedding, and was advised to wait till after June 15. Plutarch, however, implies that the entire month of June was more favorable for weddings than May.

*It is the month of June,
The month of leaves and roses,
When pleasant sights salute the eyes,
And pleasant scents the noses.
—N. P. Willis (1807-67)*

June's Birth Flowers - Rose or Honeysuckle

A rose in general indicates love or desire. Specific roses may relate other messages. For example, a white rose may mean "silence" or "I am worthy of you," while a yellow rose signifies "jealousy."
The honeysuckle denotes the bonds of love, or generous and devoted affection.

June's Birthstone - The Pearl

The pearl is the only organic birthstone, formed by a living organism.
Pearls are associated with purity, honesty, and calmness. If you dream of a pearl ring, expect romance.

WEATHER LORE

- o A good leak in June, sets all in tune.
- o When it is hottest in June, it will be coldest in the corresponding days of the next February.
- o Rain on St. John's Day, and we may expect a wet harvest.

The entire month of June is also:

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| National Aquarium Month | National Accordion Awareness Month |
| National Adopt a Cat / Shelter Cat Month | National Fresh Fruit and Vegetables Month |
| National Candy Month | National Camping Month |
| National Country Cooking Month | National Dairy Month |
| National Great Outdoors Month | National Iced Tea Month |
| National Papaya Month | National Safety Month |
| Turkey Lovers Month | National Soul Food Month |
| National Rose 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.



Hurricane Season 2019 Begins

Federal weather forecasters are predicting a "near normal" number of storms this hurricane season, which runs from June 1 through November 1.

Between nine and 15 named storms, including includes tropical storms, are predicted to form in the Atlantic this year according to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

Of those, between four and eight are predicted to become **full-blown** hurricanes, with winds capable of removing shingles and taking down power lines. And between two and four storms are expected to strengthen into so-called major hurricanes, with winds strong enough to snap trees and tear off roofs.

If this year's forecast is correct, it could be a very similar season to last year, when 15 named storms formed, two of which — Hurricane Florence in the Carolinas and Hurricane Michael in Florida — became major hurricanes. Both storms were extremely destructive.

Gerry Bell, the lead hurricane forecaster at NOAA, said people shouldn't be fooled into complacency by the word "normal." "Nine to 15 named storms is a lot," he said. "Two to four major hurricanes is a lot. So the key message is: We're expecting a near-normal season, but regardless, that's a lot of activity. You need to start getting prepared for the hurricane season now."

This year's outlook is shaped by two competing meteorological phenomena. On one hand, the climate pattern known as El Niño is happening this year, which generally suppresses hurricane activity in the Atlantic. At the same time, the water at the surface of the tropical Atlantic and the Caribbean is warmer than usual. That warm water acts like an engine for hurricanes, fueling their creation and making them bigger and wetter.

While ocean temperatures fluctuate under normal climate conditions, global warming is also causing ocean waters to get hotter. The overall global surface temperature has already risen more than 1 degree Fahrenheit compared with pre-industrial times.

That suggests increasing hurricane risk, as big, wet storms become more likely.

While Kingsbury is well inland of any direct hit from a hurricane, we all know that the massive storms can create weather havoc across the state.

And Texas has had some of the biggest storms ever to make landfall:

1900 Galveston Hurricane - The deadliest natural disaster in United States history to this day. More than 8,000 people lost their lives when surprise hurricane storm tides of 8 to 15 feet inundated the entire island city of Galveston. The damage from that storm can still be seen today.

Hurricane Audrey - June 27, 1957 - Made landfall near the Texas-Louisiana border with a storm surge in excess of 12 feet.

Hurricane Carla - September 10, 1961 - Carla was the largest and most intense Gulf Coast hurricane in decades and caused the largest mass evacuation to that date as one-half million residents were evacuated to higher ground.

Hurricane Beulah - September 20, 1967 - Along with an 18 foot storm surge that created 31 new channels through Padre Island, Beulah spawned an unsurpassed number of tornadoes.

Hurricane Celia - August 3, 1970 - Celia was one of the most destructive storms to ever hit Texas. As it moved over land after hitting Corpus Christi, spectacular damage occurred from a cluster of powerful downbursts or microbursts with winds as high as 160 mph.

Hurricane Allen - August 9-10, 1980 - The first male-named storm to hit Texas, Allen was one of the most intense hurricanes ever, reaching Category 5 status three times before it made landfall north of Brownsville.

Hurricane Alicia - August 18, 1983 - Alicia was the first hurricane to strike the Continental U.S. since Allen in 1980. It was the longest period that the U.S. mainland had gone without a hurricane landfall.

Tropical Storm Allison - June 5, 2001 - Although not a hurricane, Alison made landfall near Freeport and stalled over eastern Texas for several days, dropping extreme amounts of rain which lead to catastrophic flooding. Allison caused 23 deaths in the state, and is the only non-hurricane strength storm to have its name retired.

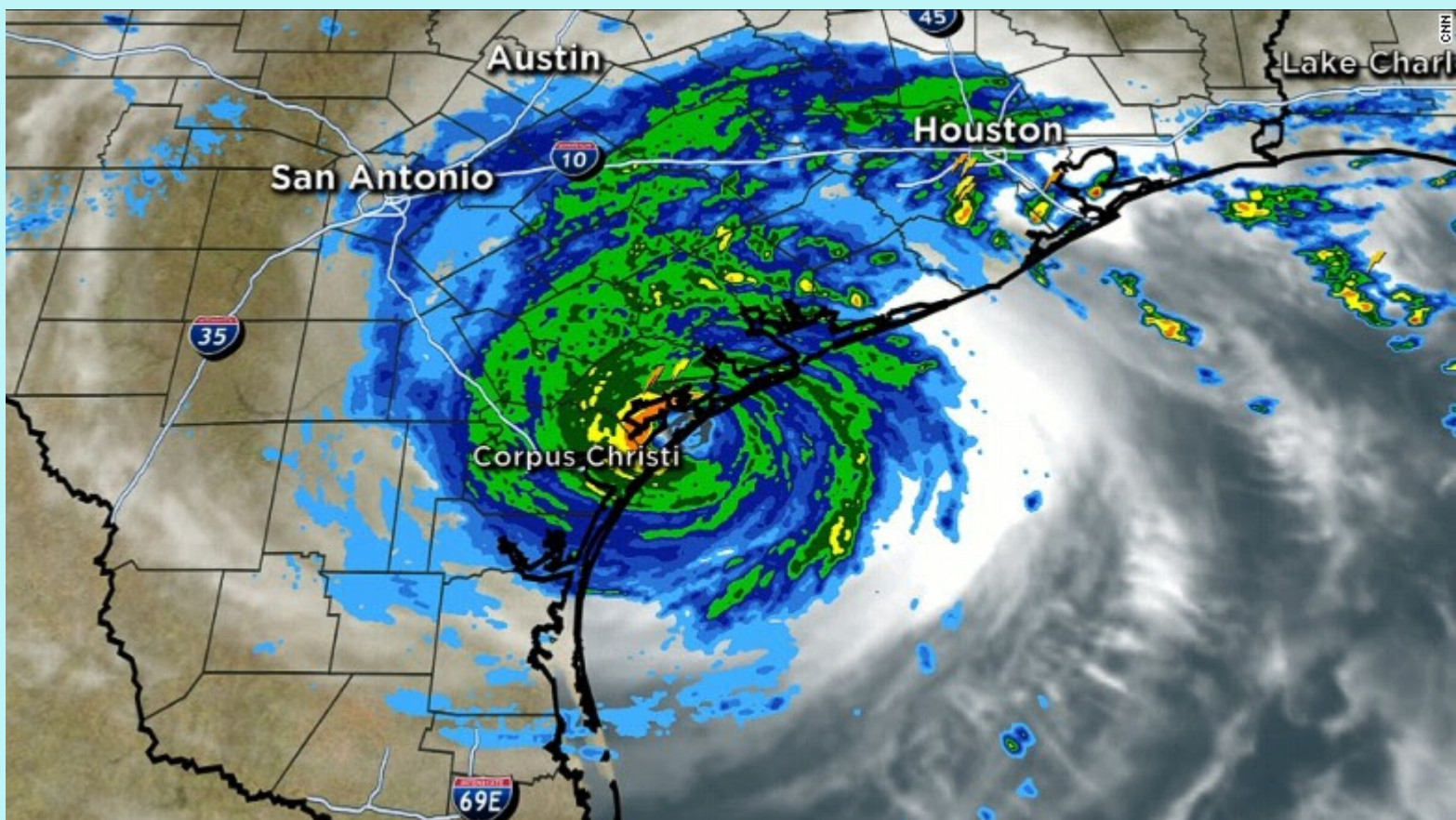
Hurricane Rita - September 24, 2005 - Rita made landfall as a Category 3 hurricane on the border between Louisiana and Texas. In preparation of its landfall, the largest evacuation in U.S. history takes place, with over 3 million people evacuating inland.

Hurricane Ike - September 13, 2008 - Ike made landfall at Galveston as a large Category 2 hurricane with a storm surge as high as 20 feet which inundated many of the barrier islands. On the Bolivar peninsula, in the town of Gilchrist, all but one house is destroyed by the surge. It is one of the deadliest storms to ever hit Texas, causing 84 deaths.

Hurricane Harvey - August 25-28, 2017 - Hurricane Harvey makes landfall near the coast of Rockport as a Category 4 hurricane and later stalls just inland, producing extreme and unprecedented amounts of rainfall in the vast majority of southern Texas. The resulting catastrophic flooding in most of Houston and Harris County as well as in dozens of other surrounding counties causes an estimated \$125 billion in damage, making Harvey the costliest tropical cyclone worldwide, as well as the costliest tropical cyclone in Texas history.

Although we can get hit by the storm bands here in Kingsbury, and hurricane-spawned tornadoes have occurred in central Texas, we escape the brunt of any Gulf storm.

Here's hoping for an uneventful tropical season this year!



Kingsbury Base Ball Team

The Kingsbury baseball team around **1945**.

The back of the picture has this information:

Black hat - Manager Gene Wolfshohl Next to him on the right is Abner Coates Sitting: Charlie Reid, Sam Chrisco, Earle Coates.



Kingsbury Base Ball Team, Kingsbury, Tex.

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