

**Kingsbury News & Information Newsletter - September 29, 2019**

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## Kingsbury Texas

*News & Information Newsletter*



*Dear Kingsbury,*

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

### National Night Out

The National Night Out event in Kingsbury is coming up on Tuesday, October 1st from 6 pm - 9 pm in **downtown**.

National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our neighborhoods safer, more caring places to live.

Millions of neighbors take part in National Night Out across thousands of communities from all fifty states, U.S. territories and military bases worldwide on the first Tuesday in August. To escape some of the heat, here in Texas we celebrate on the first Tuesday in October.

We'll be having the event in the downtown with free food, K-9 service dogs, members of our local law enforcement, fun activities, and our Kingsbury first-responders.

Everyone in the Kingsbury area is welcome to attend. Come on down and meet your friends and neighbors!



## 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:

September 29 - National Coffee Day, VFW Day, National Gold Star Mother's Day

September 30 - National Chewing Gum Day, National Mud Pack Day, National Hot Mulled Cider Day, National Love People Day

October 1 - National Black Dog Day, National Hair Day, Fire Pup Day, National Homemade Cookies Day, National Eat Fruit At Work Day

October 2 - National Produce Misting Day, National Custodial Worker's Recognition Day, National Name Your Car Day, National Fried Scallops Day, National Walk to School Day, National Pumpkin Seed Day, National Coffee with a Cop Day

October 3 - National Techies Day, National Boyfriend Day

October 4 - National Taco Day, National Golf Lover's Day, National Vodka Day, National Manufacturing Day, National Body Language Day

October 5 - National Get Funky Day, National Rhode Island Day, National Do Something Nice Day, National Apple Betty 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!

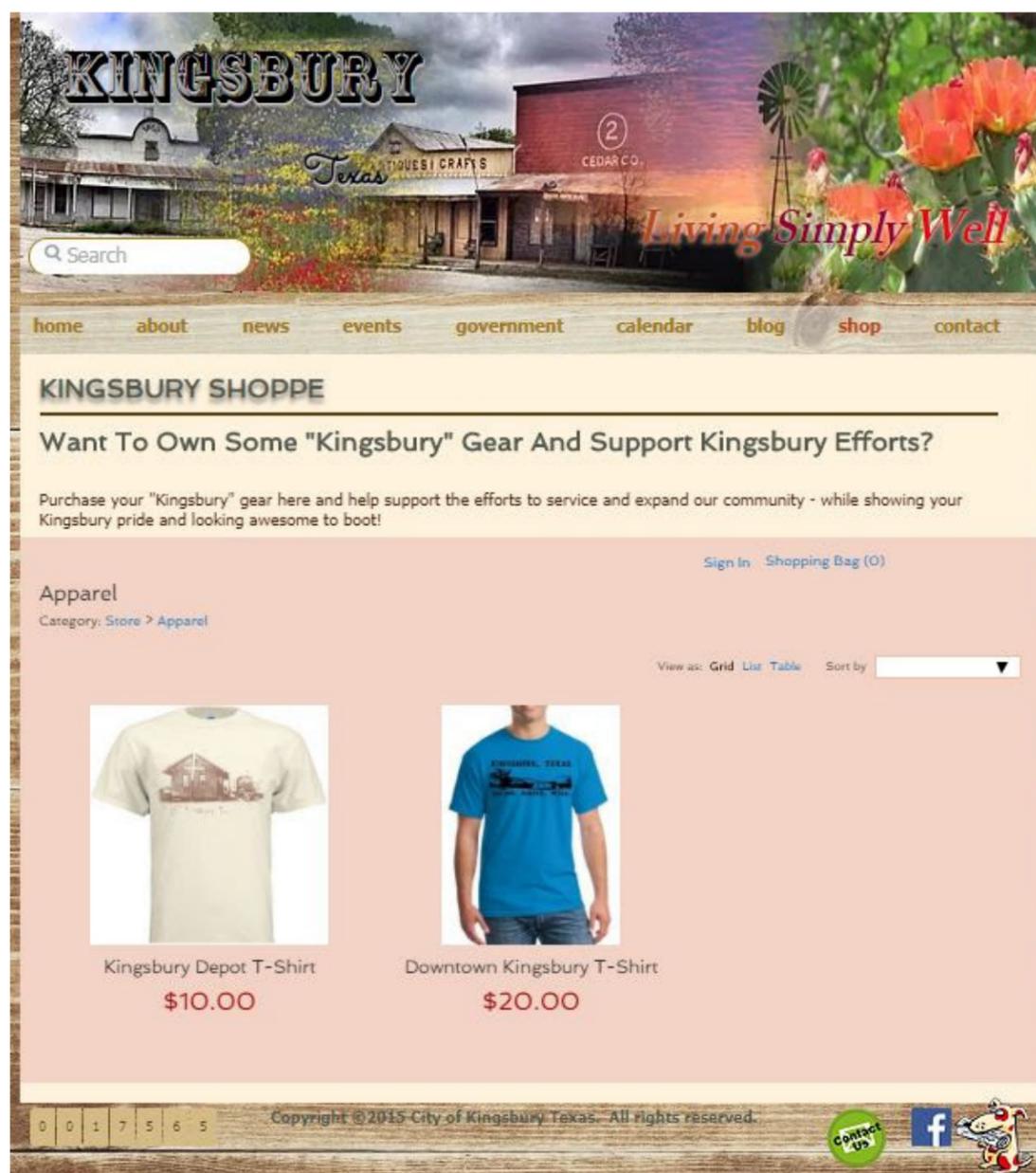
The new Kingsbury T-Shirts have a graphic of downtown Kingsbury on Railway street and the Kingsbury logo: LIVING. SIMPLY. WELL. That says it all, doesn't it?!

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!

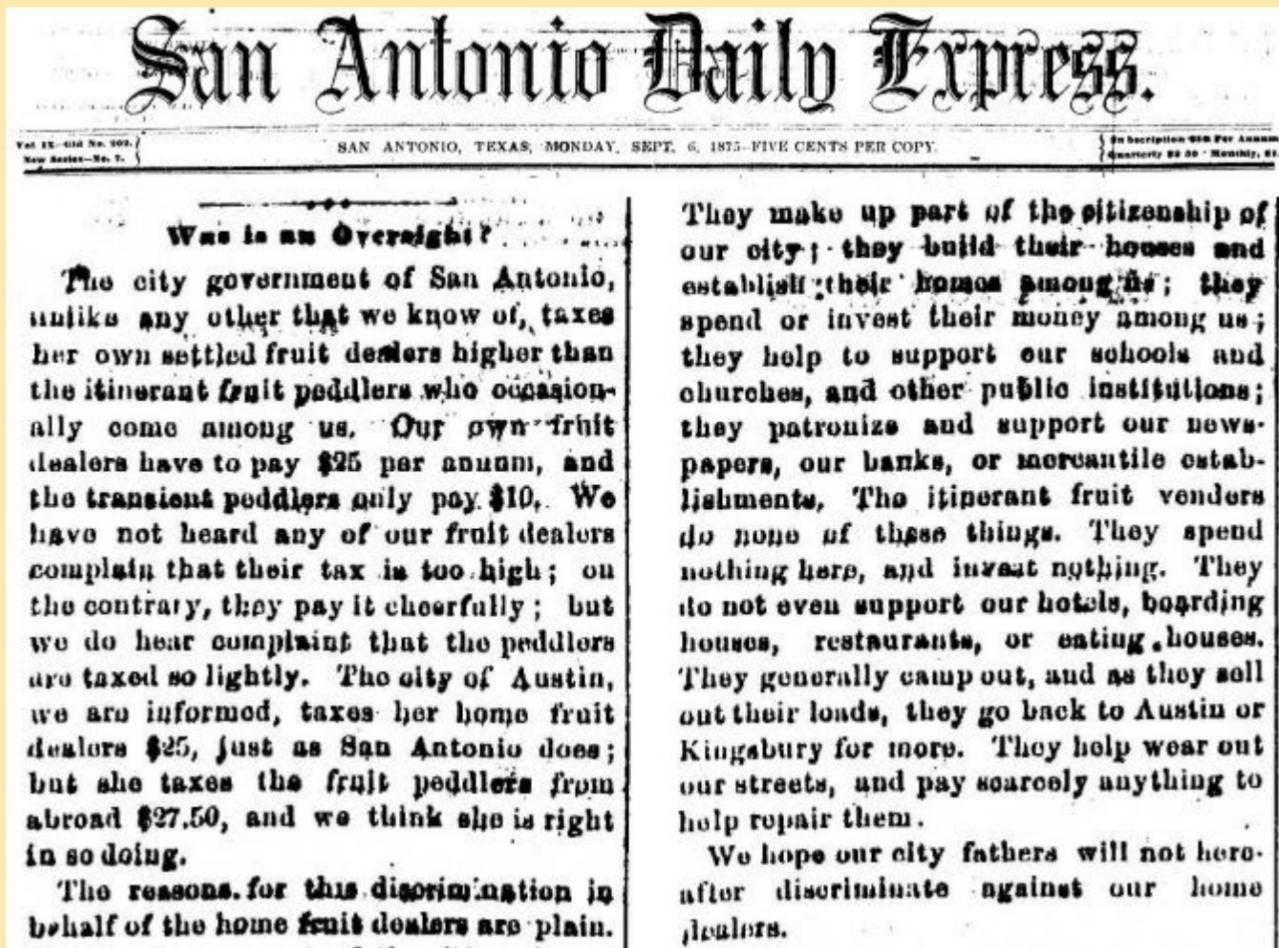
Visit the Kingsbury website at [www.kingsburytexas.org](http://www.kingsburytexas.org) to get your new T-shirt sent to you today!



## Kingsbury News Past

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

The September 6, 1875 edition of the San Antonio *Daily Express* had an article about the city tax on fruit peddlers. Apparently, San Antonio taxed the itinerant fruit peddlers less than local fruit dealers. The article mentions that the itinerant dealers don't spend any money in town at hotels or "eating houses" and when they run out of produce, they simply "go back to Austin or Kingsbury for more." Since Kingsbury was still the terminus of the railroad at that time, fruit and other cargo had to come through Kingsbury to go any farther west.



Elsewhere in 1875, they were celebrating the new bridge over the Missouri in Kansas but a train coming to the event derailed before it got there, the telegraph line to Ireland has been repaired and the first cable let them know to "be on the lookout" for the ship *Faraday*, and the crew and passengers aboard a schooner "were taken down with fever." Apparently they "spoke an English bark" (contacted a barque sailing ship) for assistance which turned them down.

There are "Fine four horse Coaches" going to some places I've never heard of - Coglins (can't find any record of this town), Benficklin (Ben Ficklin was destroyed in a flood in 1882 and abandoned), Ysleta (now part of El Paso, and Kickapoo Springs (which became Erskine which became Vigo which disappeared in the 1930s).

There are some really, really bad men "now reported to be in Texas" with a "death-roll", and someone is looking for their fifty-dollar bills and change. \$107 in 1875 is worth about \$3424 today - so good luck someone turning that in!

**CELEBRATION—ACCIDENTS.**

Atkinson, Kan., Sept. 31.—The celebration of the completion of the bridge over the Missouri was the largest ever known in this section of the country.

A train coming to the celebration ran off the track. Two killed.

**REPAIRS TO THE CABLE.**

New York, Aug. 31.—It was reported yesterday that a dispatch had been received, announcing that the direct cable had been repaired, and that communication by it between this country and Ireland was complete. The Superintendent of the company owning the cable said a dispatch had been received during the day which told him to be on the lookout for the Faraday, which might be expected at any moment.

**THE DREADFUL FEVER AT SEA.**

Baltimore, Md., September 1.—The schooner N. J. Miller, eighteen days from San Domingo City, for Boston, has arrived here, and reported that, when five days out, all on board except the master were taken down with fever. On August 28 they spoke an English bark, which refused assistance. On the 29th they spoke the schooner Annie L. Palmer, Captain Lewis, of Bath, Me., and were rendered prompt assistance. Two men are recovering. Four are still dangerously ill.

**EL PASO MAIL COMPANY.**

F. C. TAYLOR, Supt.

**NEW SCHEDULE:**

Fine four horse Coaches without the mail leave

**TUESDAY & FRIDAY AT 8 A. M.**

for Boerne, Fredericksburg, Loyal Valley, Mason, Menardville, Coglins, Kickapoo Springs, Benicklin,

**FORT CONCHO.**

Fort Stockton, Davis and Quitman, San Elizario, Yuleta Fort Bliss and El Paso.

Time to Fredericksburg 13 hours, Ft. Concho 48 hours, El Paso 7 days.

**UNITED STATES MAIL LINE**

San Antonio via Boerne and Comfort to Fredericksburg, two horse hacks,

**MONDAYS, THURSDAYS, & SATURDAY 8 A. M.**

Mail Schedule to Fredericksburg two days and one night.

**FOR EAGLE PASS**

TUESDAYS & FRIDAYS at 8 a m via Castrovillo, Del Rio and Uvalde, with branch in connection Uvalde to Ft. Clark.

OFFICE on Alamo Plaza, opposite the Menger Hotel.

San Antonio, July 12, 1875.

A. A. MUNCEY,

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Agent.

The extra sleep obtained by the use of a mosquito canopy is not gain.

**THE BLOODY GROUND.**

Marion, Williamson County, Ill., Aug. 31.—Tom Russell, James Norris and David Pleasant, now reported to be in Texas, it is alleged are chargeable with nearly all the assassinations that have taken place in this county. These parties may be in Texas, hiding from the vengeance which is sure to overtake them sooner or later, but the general belief is that they are not; that they are skulking about in this and adjoining counties, awaiting a favorable opportunity to make sure of the next victim marked on the death-roll.

**THE DEATH-ROLL.**

Old Jim Henderson, it is said, was killed by Jas. Norris; Dr. Hineff by Tom Russell; Samuel Henderson by Gordon Clifford, alias Texas Jack; Old George Bullner by Tom Russell and David Pleasant; Col. Geo. W. Sisney by Norris; Dave Bullner by Tom Russell and David Pleasant. The murderer of Wm. Spence, it seems, is in no way suspected, but no doubt he fell by the hand of one of those desperate characters mentioned above.

LOST.—Two fifty dollar bills and about seven dollars in change. The fifty dollar bills have private marks. The finder of the above money will be liberally rewarded by delivering the same at this office.

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**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, October 3rd

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, October 3rd 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!



### Here Comes October!

October starts on Tuesday this week. It shouldn't be a surprise since the stores already have the Halloween stuff on display!



"October" was the name of the eighth month of the year in the ancient Roman calendar. When the Romans converted to a 12-month calendar by adding January and February, the name "October" stuck.

October's birth flowers are the cosmos and the calendula or marigold.



Cosmos is a symbol of joy in life and love and of peace.



The calendula (aka garden, English, or pot marigold) represents winning grace, grief, or chagrin.

*Listen! The wind is rising,  
And the air is wild with leaves,  
We have had our summer evenings,  
Now for October eves!*

—Humbert Wolfe (1885-1940)

The October birthstone is the opal, which symbolizes faithfulness and confidence.



Opals also symbolize hope and purity and were once thought to improve eyesight or enhance intuition. Throughout history, the gem's reputation has oscillated between standing for luck and standing for lack of luck. According to some, those born in October are immune from any possible negative effects.

### OCTOBER FOLKLORE

🍂 When deer are in a grey coat in October, expect a hard winter

- 🍂 Much rain in October, much wind in December
- 🍂 A warm October means a cold February!
- 🍂 In October dung your field, and your land its wealth shall yield.
- 🍂 Good October, a good blast, To blow the hog acorn and mast.

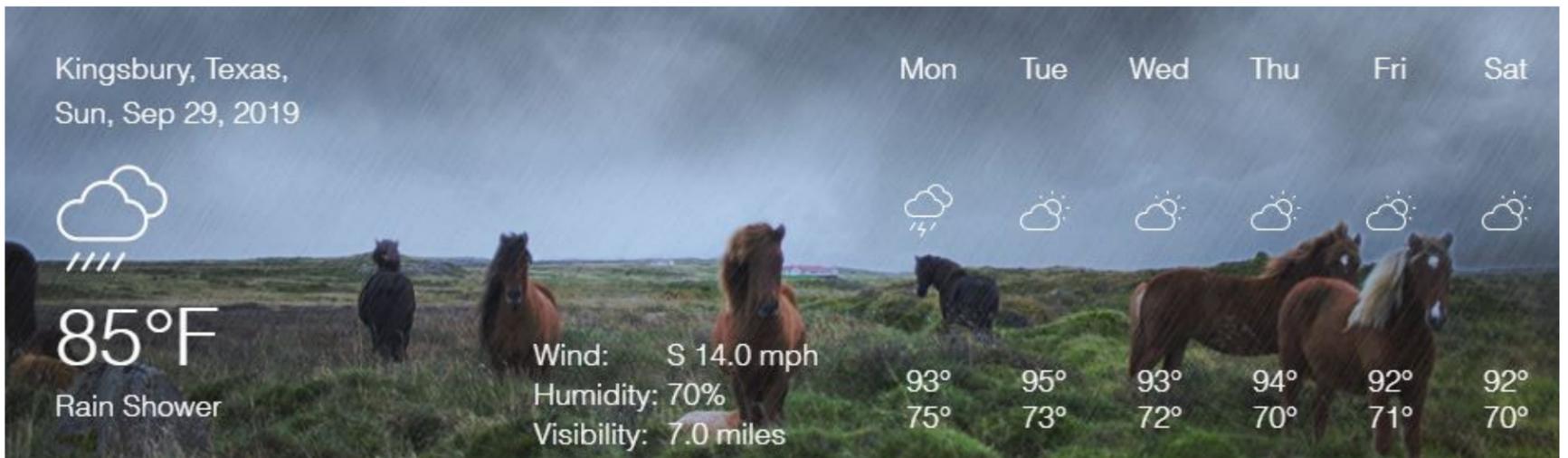


Also keep an eye out for the Draconid meteor shower in the late evening of Tuesday, October 8th, and the Orionid meteor shower in the predawn hours of October 22–23.



### 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](#)

### City Commission Workshop and KIC-P2 Meeting

The Kingsbury Incorporation Committee - Phase 2 will meet on Wednesday, October 2nd this week at 6:30 pm. The meeting is also a **workshop** for the Kingsbury City Commission and will be held at the Kingsbury VFD Fire Station.



### Kingsbury 4-Y Club Parade Float

The Kingsbury 4-H Club in the Fourth of July Parade around 1948.

The 4-H Clubs started in Guadalupe County in the mid-1920s, so it was still fairly new when this picture was taken. The old Reichman's building is in the background and some of the **riders** are John Charlie Littlejohn (with glasses), and Jackie Schmidt Ball (with hair braided around her head). I'm sure there are those out there that can pick out several more - or see themselves!

Extra points if you can name the cute little sheep in the back.



## 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](#), 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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