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News & Information Newsletter



Dear Kingsbury,

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

Red Hot Chili Supper

The Kingsbury Volunteer Fire Department is reviving one of its favorite events --

The Red Hot Chili Supper!

Come by the Kingsbury VFD Fire Station on Saturday, February 15th and fill up on:

- Hot bowl of chili
- Delicious corn bread
- Yummy homemade desserts
- Cold iced tea

All of this is only \$10 and you'll be supporting our fire fighters and first-responders.

Serving starts at 6 pm. Come on out and join your friends and neighbors and chow down on a big bowl of red hot!



Kingsbury Exchange Club

A group of people here in Kingsbury are setting up an exchange club where the people here can share some of the things that we make, grow, and do. The next meeting will be

Saturday, February 15th at Noon
at the old Fat Chance at 668 Railway in downtown Kingsbury

Anyone and everyone is welcome to attend and **share** their ideas, interests, and/or experience - or if you just want to find out more about the exchange concept!

Some of the things being exchanged:

Small engine repair
Fresh baked goods
Metal crafts
Fine woolen crafts
Fruits and nuts
Massage
Life coaching
Event space
Handyman work
Fruit trees
Canned goods
Home cooked meals

And so much more!

Kingsbury Exchange Club vouchers are also available for services and skills. Come check it out - it's a great way to meet people in our area and have a fun finding out what we have to offer here in 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:

February 9 - National Cut the Cord Day, National Bagel and Lox Day, National Pizza Day, National Toothache Day

February 10 - National Clean Out Your Computer Day, National Cream Cheese Brownie Day, National Home Warranty Day, National Umbrella Day

February 11 - National Don't Cry Over Spilled Milk Day, National Inventors' Day, National Make a Friend Day, National Peppermint Patty Day, National Shut-In Visitation Day, National White Shirt Day, Safer Internet Day U.S.

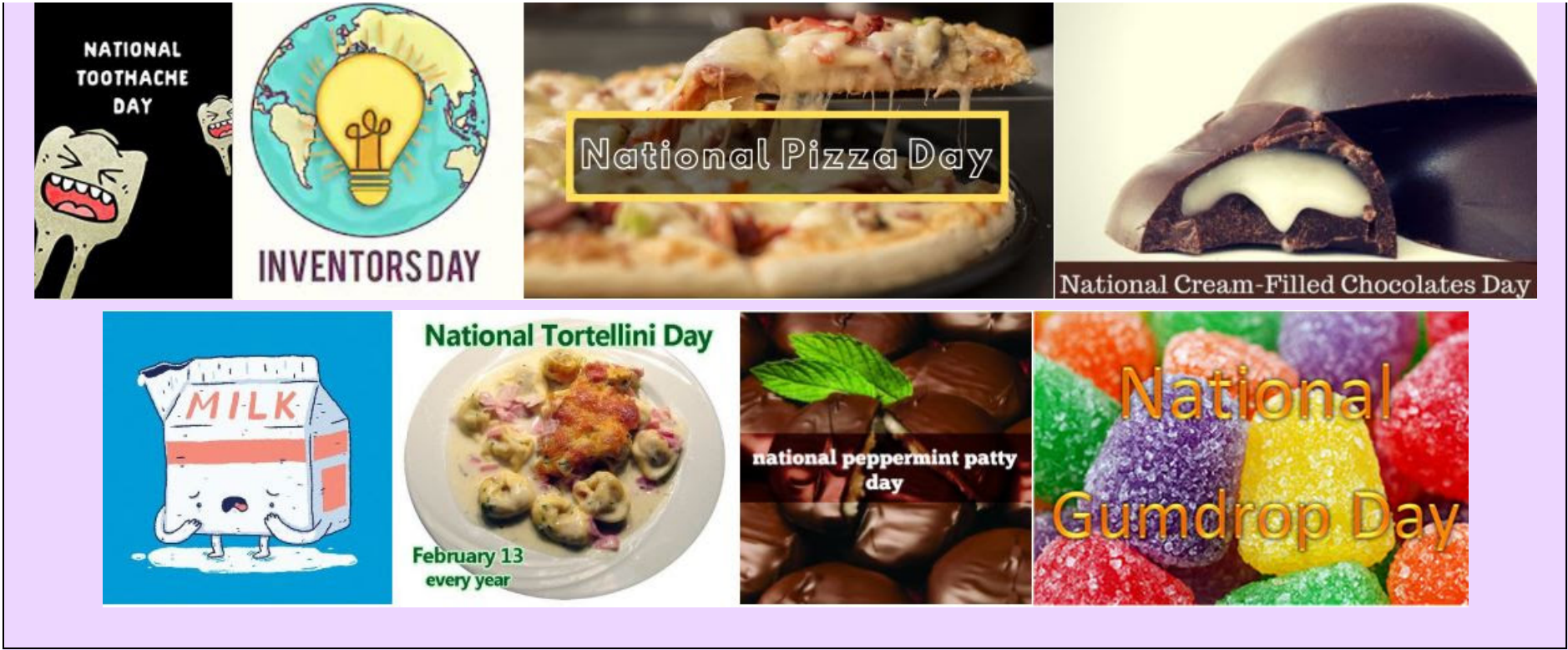
February 12 - National Plum Pudding Day

February 13 - National Giving Hearts Day, National Break Up With Your Carrier Day, National Cheddar Day, National Tortellini Day

February 14 - National Cream-Filled Chocolates Day, National Ferris Wheel Day, National Organ Donor Day, No One Eats Alone Day, Valentines Day

February 15 - National Gumdrop Day, Singles Awareness Day, National Wisconsin Day





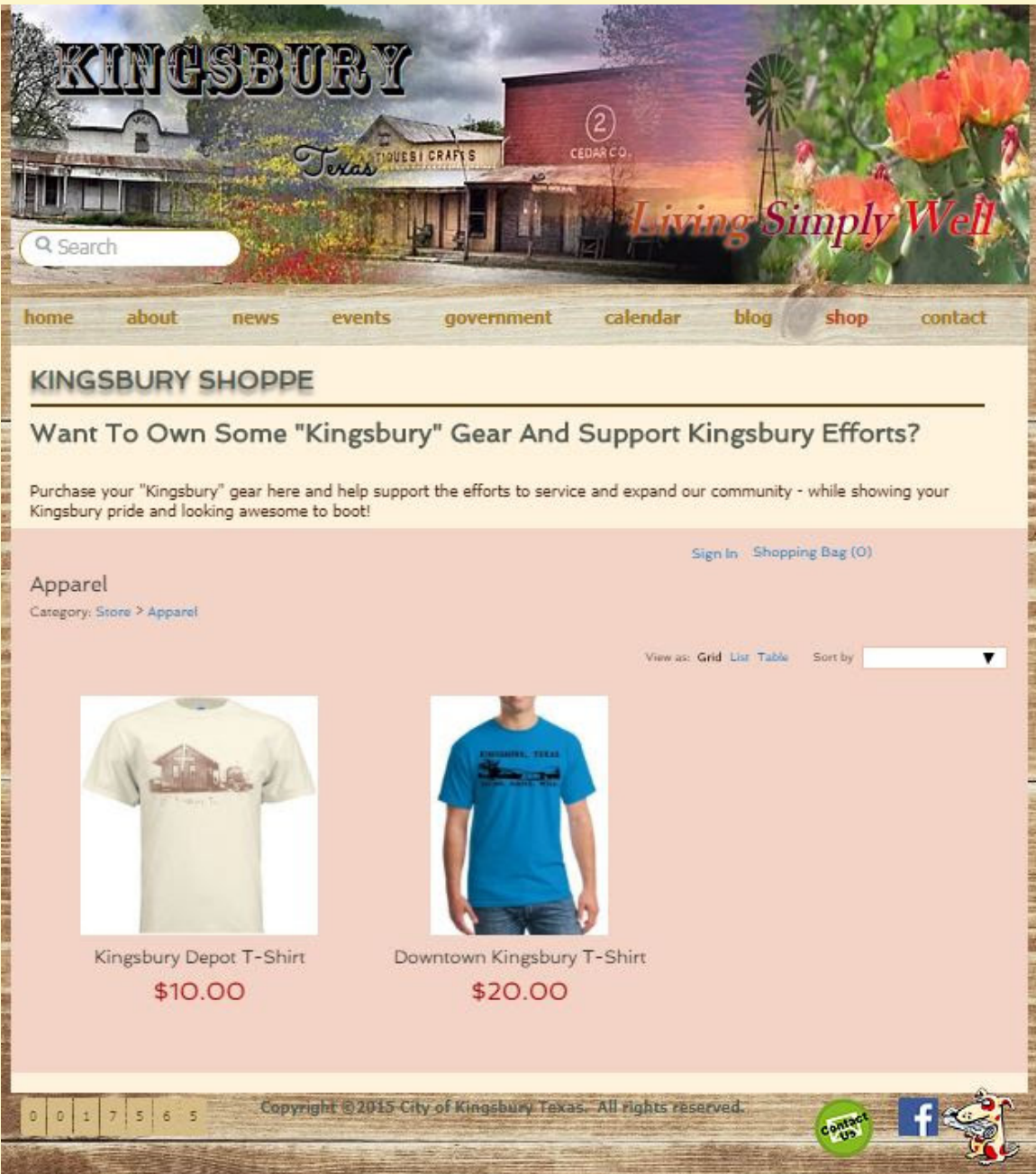
Kingsbury T-Shirts - Now Available Online!

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!



Valentine's Day

This Friday, February 14th, is Valentine's Day.

The traditions of Valentine's Day are broad and many. It is a time to exchange cards or small gifts. Chocolates, flowers, jewelry, and romantic dinners are the big hits of this holiday.

It is a romantic event for lovers, and a fun event for kids and family. Many a couple become **engaged** or wed on this day. For others it is a day to fall in love.

But it didn't start that way!

On February 14, around the year 278 A.D., Valentine, a holy priest in Rome in the days of Emperor Claudius II, was executed.

Under the rule of Claudius the Cruel, Rome was involved in many unpopular and bloody campaigns. The emperor had to maintain a strong army, but was having a difficult time getting soldiers to join his military leagues. Claudius believed that Roman men were unwilling to join the army because of their strong attachment to their wives and families.

To get rid of the problem, Claudius banned all marriages and engagements in Rome. Valentine, realizing the injustice of the decree, defied Claudius and continued to perform marriages for young lovers in secret. When Valentine's actions were discovered, Claudius ordered that he be put to death. Valentine was arrested and dragged before the Prefect of Rome, who condemned him to be beaten to death with clubs and to have his head cut off. The sentence was carried out on February 14, on or about the year 270.

Legend also has it that while in jail, St. Valentine left a farewell note for the jailer's daughter, who had become his friend, and signed it "From Your Valentine."
For his great service, Valentine was named a saint after his death.

Did you know? While 75% of chocolate purchases are made by women all year long, during the days and minutes before Valentine's Day, 75% of the chocolate purchases are made by men.
Just sayin'!



Primary Elections

The elections for the Primary races will be held March 3, 2020.

Here are some **upcoming** important dates to remember for those elections:



Tuesday, February 18 - First day of early voting

Friday, February 21 - Last day to apply for ballot by mail (received, not postmarked)

Friday, February 28 - Last day of early voting

Tuesday, March 3 - Last day to receive ballot by mail, Election Day



The latest information (including how to become a poll worker) can be found on the Guadalupe County Elections [website](#).



Pictures Of Trail Riders

The Mesquite Trail Riders made their **annual** stop in Kingsbury overnight last week. They spent Sunday night at the Old Kingsbury Aerodrome and then headed out Monday morning on their way to the San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo.

If you missed seeing them this year, click [here](#) to check out the pictures on the [blog](#) on the Kingsbury [website](#).



Full Super Snow Moon

Tonight, the Full Super Snow Moon will rise.

According to the Farmers' Almanac, northeastern Native American tribes referred to the second full moon of winter as the Snow Moon because of February's heavy snow.

This year, it's a **supermoon** (the orbit of the moon will bring it closer to Earth), which means it will be one of the biggest moons of 2020 and will look especially large when rising and setting. The moonrise will be at 6:46 pm. our time tonight, according to NASA. So bundle up, celebrate and get excited for the first super moon of 2020!

Do supermoons truly appear brighter? Technically, yes. Practically, it depends on your point of comparison. The supermoon's diameter is indeed about 7% greater than an ordinary full Moon and 14% greater than a full Moon when it's at its furthest point in its orbit to Earth (a "micromoon").

And a supermoon exceeds the brightness of an ordinary Moon by 15%! When compared to a micromoon, the supermoon is 30% brighter!



*And hand in hand, on the edge of the sand, they danced by the light of the Moon.
—Edward Lear, English poet (1812-88)*

MOON FACTS AND FOLKLORE

- On February 6, 1971, Alan Shepard became the first man to hit a golf ball on the Moon.
- Did you know that the Moon's diameter is 2,160 miles? This is less than the width of the United States (approximately 3,000 miles), and 0.27 of Earth's diameter (7,926 miles).
- Wolves have howled at the Moon for centuries, yet it is still there.

Each full moon is known by many, many names.
Here are a few that the February Moon goes by:

*Zuni - No Snow In Trails Moon
Sioux - Dark Red Calves Moon*

Shawnee - Crow Moon
Omaha - Moon When Geese Come Home
Lakota - Moon When the Trees Crack Because of the Cold
Creek - Wind Moon
Comanche - Sleet Moon
Dakotah Sioux - Moon of the Raccoon
Cherokee - Bony Moon
Chippewa - Sucker Moon
Arapaho - Frost Sparkling in the Sun Moon
Chocktaw - Moon of Winds
Cree - Old Moon
Hopi - Moon of Purification and Renewal
Mohawk - Lateness Moon
Pueblo - Moon of the Cedar Dust Wind
Shoshone - Coyote Moon

Colonial American - Trapper's Moon
Celtic - Moon of Ice
Medieval English - Storm Moon
Neo Pagan - Snow Moon



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.

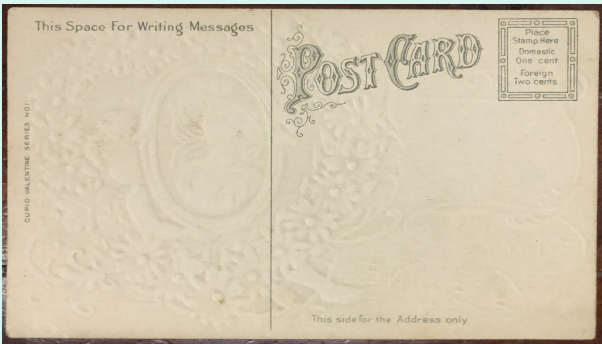
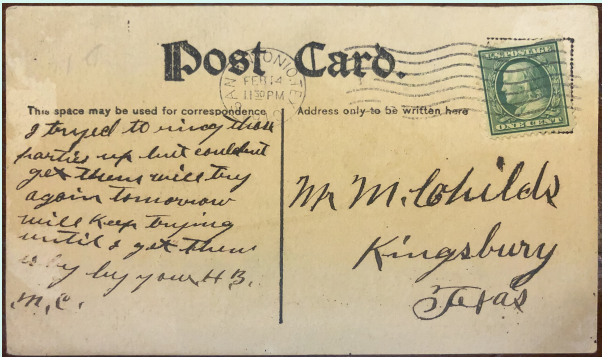
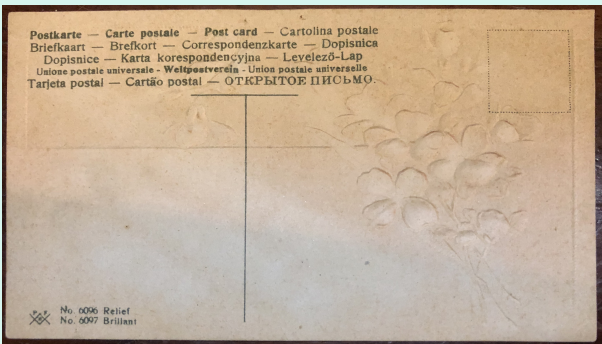
 Click here to check out the Texas Water Development Board "Baker Ranch" weather

Valentines From Kingsbury Past

Sandra Watts from here in Kingsbury has a **wonderful** collection of post cards that her great-aunt collected between 1907 and 1909.

These are some of the Kingsbury and Valentines cards from that collection. The backs are as interesting as the fronts!

Happy Valentines Day!



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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