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Kingsbury Texas

News & Information Newsletter



Dear Kingsbury,

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

Trail Riders And Trail Drive Breakfast

The Mesquite Trail Drive came through Kingsbury on Monday and the City of Kingsbury served them a Trail Drive Breakfast in downtown. There were breakfast tacos, OJ, lots of **hot** coffee, and even Mimosas to get them back on the trail as they head towards to San Antonio Stock Show and Rodeo.

The riders love their Kingsbury stopover with camping at the Old Kingsbury Aerodrome and breakfast in downtown. We hope to see them here every year!



Valentine's Day

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'!

HAPPY
VALENTINE'S
DAY



Full Snow Moon

This Wednesday is the rising of The Full Snow Moon

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.



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
- Passamaquoddy (Northeast) - Moon When The Spruce Tips Fall
- Shawnee - Crow Moon
- Omaha - Moon When Geese Come Home
- Lakota - Moon When the Trees Crack Because of the Cold
- Creek - Wind Moon
- Abenaki (Maine) - Makes Branches Fall In Pieces Moon
- Comanche - Sleet Moon
- Potawatomi (Great Lakes) - Moon Of The Rabbit
- Dakotah Sioux - Moon of the Raccoon
- Wishram - Shoulder To Shoulder Around The Fire Moon
- Cherokee - Bony Moon
- Chippewa - Sucker Moon
- Algonquin - Ice In River Is Gone Moon
- Arapaho - Frost Sparkling in the Sun Moon
- Tlingit - Black Bear Moon

Assiniboine (Northern Plains) - Long Dry Moon
Choctaw - Moon of Winds
Kalapuya (Pacific NW) - Out Of Food Moon
Cree - Old Moon
Hopi - Moon of Purification and Renewal
Mohawk - Lateness Moon
Pueblo - Moon of the Cedar Dust Wind
Shoshone - Coyote Moon
Haida (Alaska) - Goose Moon
Winnebago - Fish-Runnnng Moon

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



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 9th - National Pork Rind Day, National Cut The Cord Day, National Pizza Day, National Bagel And Lox Day, National Toothache Day

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

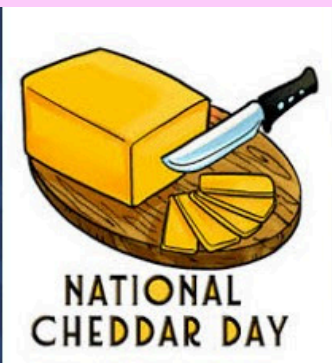
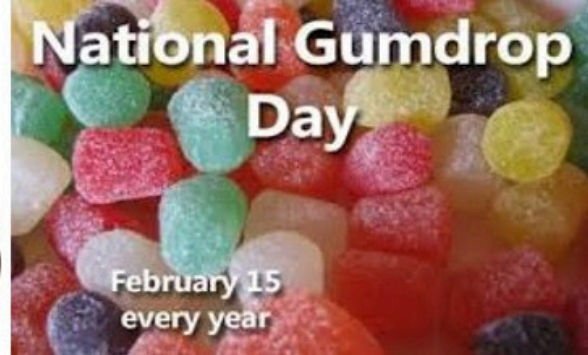
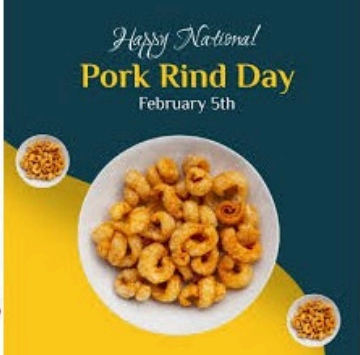
February 11th - National Safer Internet Day U.S., National Inventors' Day, National Peppermint Patty Day, National Shut-In Visitation Day, National White Shirt Day/ White T-Shirt Day , National Don't Cry Over Spilled Milk Day, National Make A Friend Day

February 12th - National Plum Pudding Day

February 13th - National Galentine's Day, National Giving Hearts Day, National Cheddar Day, National Tortellini Day

February 14th - National Cream-Filled Chocolates Day, Valentine's Day, National Ferris Wheel Day, National Organ Donor Day

February 15th - National Red Sock Day, National Wisconsin Day, National Singles Awareness Day, National Gumdrop Day



Valentine's Day Dance

Valentines Dance

In

KINGSBURY HALL

\$7 Cover

Food & Setups

Beer & Wine

LIVE MUSIC BY
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FEB. 14

7:30 - 11:00

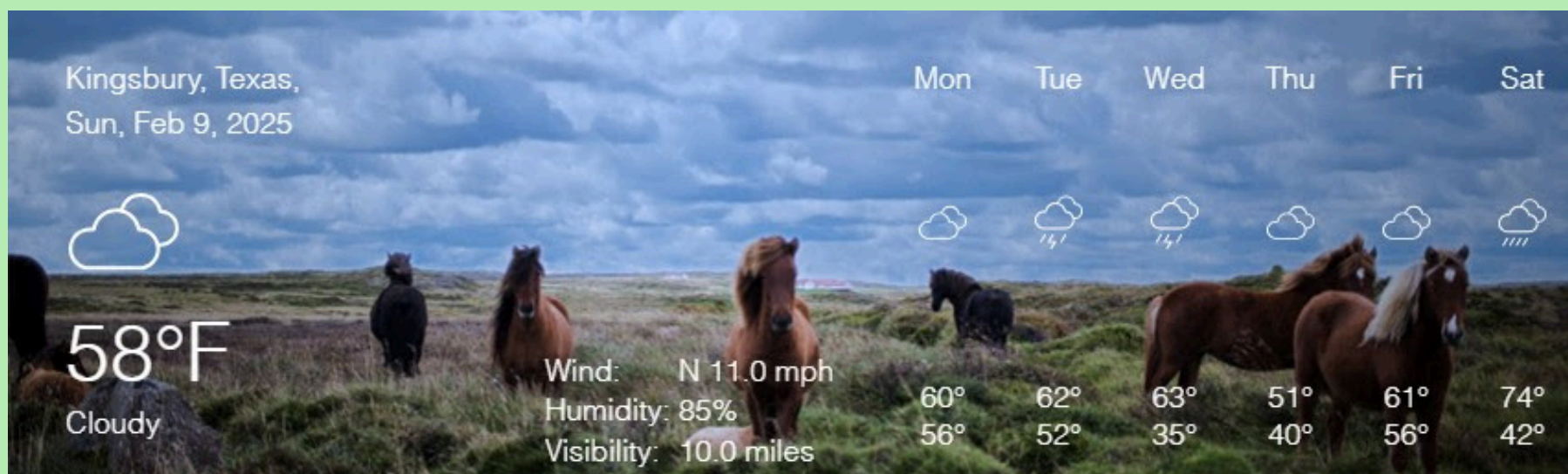


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Reservations or more info

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.

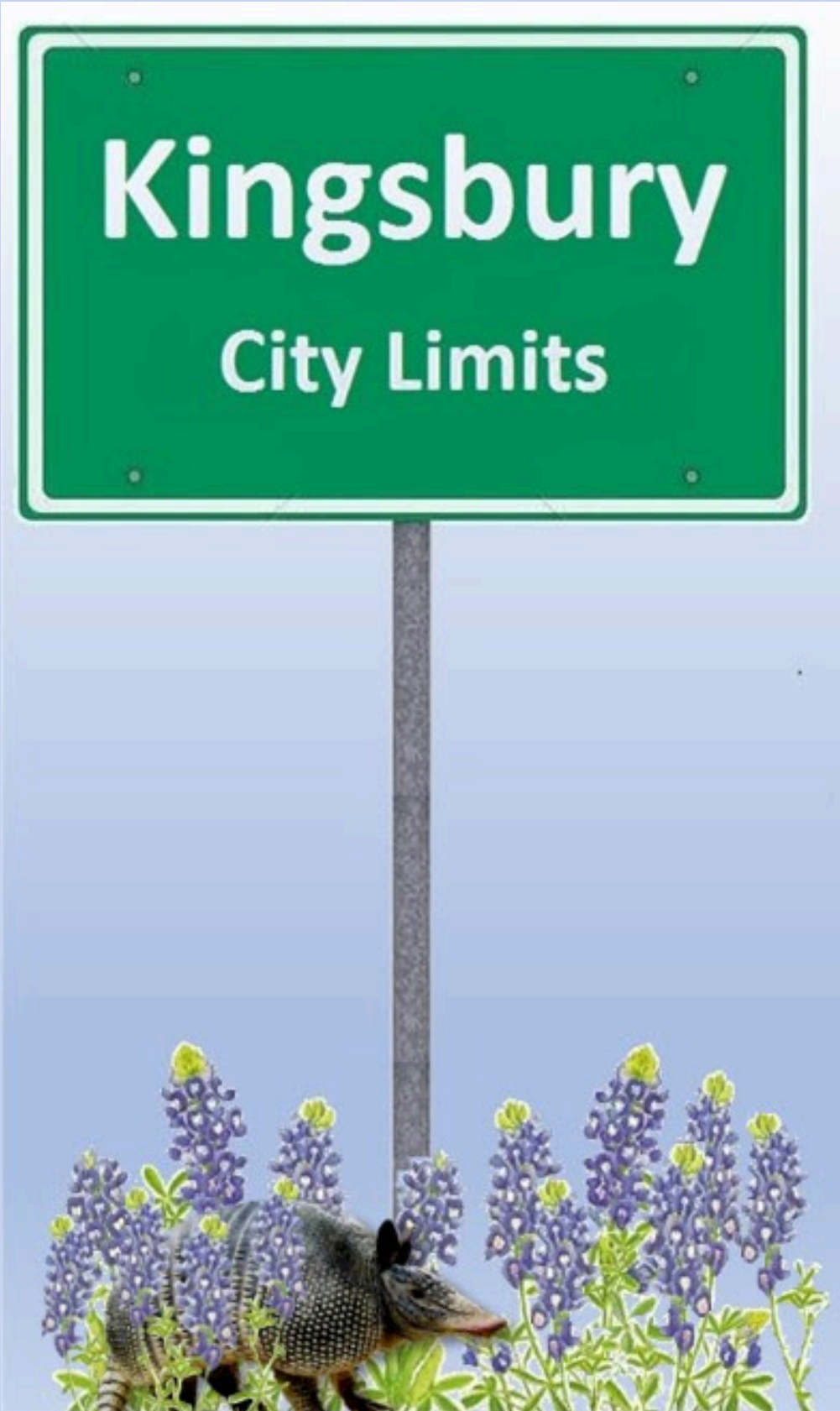


Kingsbury City Limits

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 out 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!



Lincoln's Birthday

This week in American history, on February 12, 1809, Abraham Lincoln is born in Hodgenville, Kentucky.

Lincoln, one of America’s most admired presidents, grew up a member of a poor family in Kentucky and Indiana. He attended school for only one year, but thereafter read on his own in a continual effort to improve his mind. As an adult, he lived in Illinois and performed a variety of jobs including stints as a postmaster, surveyor and shopkeeper, before entering politics. He served in the Illinois legislature from 1834 to 1836, and then became an attorney. In 1842, Lincoln married Mary Todd; together, the pair raised four sons.

Lincoln returned to politics during the 1850s, a time when the nation’s long-standing division over slavery was flaring up, particularly in new territories being added to the Union. As leader of the new Republican Party, Lincoln was considered politically moderate, even on the issue of slavery. He advocated the restriction of slavery to the

states in which it already existed and described the practice in a letter as a minor issue as late as 1854. In an 1858 senatorial race, as secessionist sentiment brewed among the southern states, he warned, a house divided against itself cannot stand. He did not win the Senate seat but earned national recognition as a strong political force. Lincoln’s inspiring oratory soothed a populace anxious about southern states’ secessionist threats and **boosted** his popularity.

As a presidential candidate in the election of 1860, Lincoln tried to reassure slaveholding interests that although he favored abolition, he had no intention of ending the practice in states where it already existed and prioritized saving the Union over freeing slaves. When he won the presidency by approximately 400,000 popular votes and carried the Electoral College, he was in effect handed a ticking time bomb. His concessions to slaveholders failed to prevent South Carolina from leading other states in an exodus from the Union that began shortly after his election. By February 1, 1861, Mississippi, Florida, Alabama, Georgia, Louisiana and Texas had also seceded. Soon after, the Civil War began. As the war progressed, Lincoln moved closer to committing himself and the nation to the abolitionist movement and, in 1863, finally signed the Emancipation Proclamation. The document freed slaves in the Confederate states, but did not address the legality of slavery in Missouri, Kansas, Nebraska or Arkansas.

Lincoln was the tallest president at 6’ 4. As a young man, he impressed others with his sheer physical strength—he was a legendary wrestler in Illinois—and entertained friends and strangers alike with his dry, folksy wit, which was still in evidence years later. Exasperated by one Civil War military defeat after another, Lincoln wrote to a lethargic general if you are not using the army I should like to borrow it for awhile. An animal lover, Lincoln once declared, “I care not for a man’s religion whose dog and cat are not the better for it.” Fittingly, a variety of pets took up residence at the Lincoln White House, including a pet turkey named Jack and a goat called Nanko. Lincoln’s son Tad frequently hitched Nanko to a small wagon and drove around the White House grounds. Lincoln’s sense of humor may have helped him to hide recurring bouts of depression. He admitted to friends and colleagues that he suffered from intense melancholia and hypochondria most of his adult life. Perhaps in order to cope with it, Lincoln engaged in self-effacing humor, even chiding himself about his famously homely looks. When an opponent in an 1858 Senate race debate called him two-faced, he replied, "If I had another face do you think I would wear this one?"

Lincoln is remembered as The Great Emancipator. Although he waffled on the subject of slavery in the early years of his presidency, his greatest legacy was his work to preserve the Union and his signing of the Emancipation Proclamation. To Confederate sympathizers, however, Lincoln’s signing of the Emancipation Proclamation reinforced his image as a hated despot and ultimately led John Wilkes Booth to assassinate him on April 14, 1865.

His favorite horse, Old Bob, pulled his funeral hearse.



Fellowship

The Kingsbury Lutheran Church will be having weekly Fellowship gatherings every Thursday.

These get-togethers start at 6:30 in the Fellowship Hall and the **activities** could be a mix of food, Bible study, games, etc.

Everyone is welcome!



Model T Olympics

The Model T Olympics are a series of games and activities involving the Ford Model T car and all the fun is at the Pioneer Flight Museum here in Kingsbury on Saturday, March 29th

Activities

- Model T-sized teeter-totter: Test your balance by trying to balance your car on the teeter-totter
- Driver's skills course: Test your skills at parking, turning, and driving in high gear
- Potato race and beanbag toss: Team-based games
- Backseat driver course: A **blindfolded** driver navigated by a passenger through a course of cones
- Tailgate swap meet: Bring your Model T or parts to sell or trade
- Driving lessons: Learn to drive a Model T or improve your skills

Who can attend?

- Anyone with a Model T is welcome to participate
- Spectators are also welcome

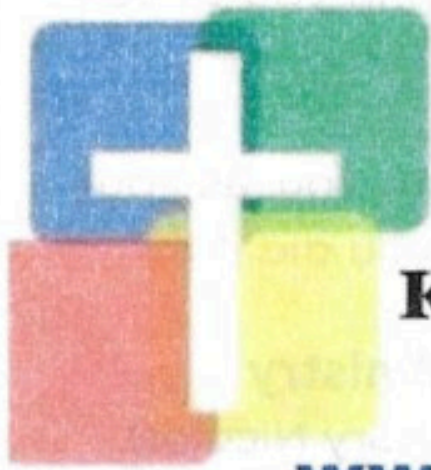
If you don't have a Model T, you can still come for a ride!



Food Pantry & Thrift Store

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Volunteer Work Day

The Old Kingsbury Aerodrome and the Pioneer Flight Museum are on Pershing Lane just off of FM 1104 in Kingsbury.

They usually have one or two days a month where they invite **volunteers** to come and help with the buildings, grounds, planes, vehicles, and other equipment.

The next Volunteer Work Day will be

Saturday, February 15th

They usually get started in the main office with coffee and goodies at 9:00 am. Just look for where the cars are parked, and follow where you see others going in.

Get out there and give them a hand!



Kingsbury Calendar

Do you have a meeting or public event that you want people to **know** about? Just let us know and we'll get it into the Kingsbury Newsletter and on the [Calendar](#) page of kingsburytexas.org!

Get in touch by replying to this email or by going to the Contact page on the Kingsbury [website](#).

It's a great way to find out what's going on around town and to let others know what meetings or events you have planned that your friends and neighbors might like to attend.

KINGSBURY CALENDAR & WEATHER

Time zone: (GMT-06:00) ▾



February 2025



Today

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
26	27 Kingsbury Ci...	28	29	30 Fellowship	31	1
2 🔥 Groundh...	3 🐾 Trail Driv...	4	5	6 KVFD Auxilia... + 2	7	8
9	10	11	12 🌞 Full Snow ...	13 Fellowship	14 Valentine's Day	15 👤 Volunteer...
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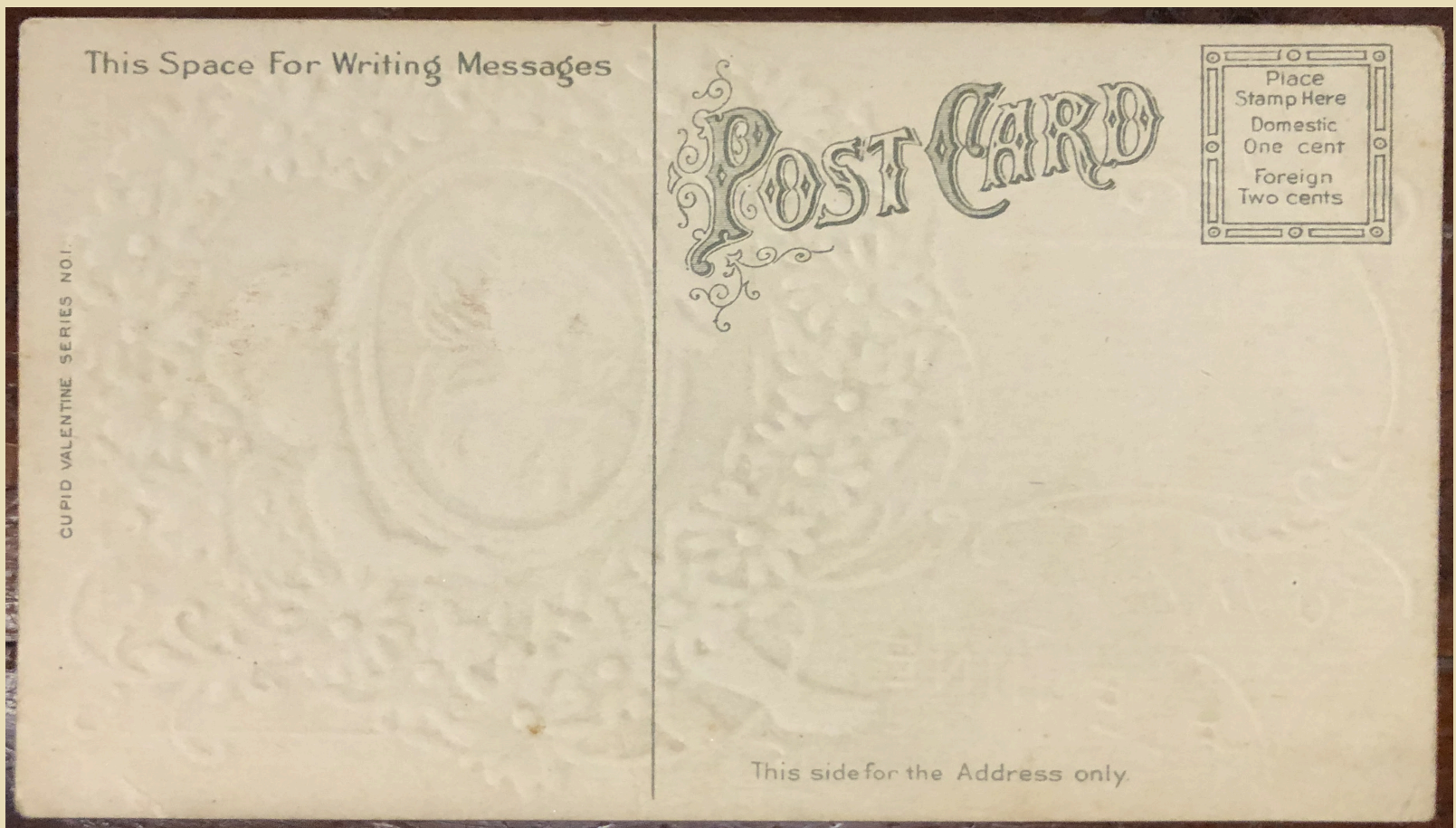
Valentine's Postcards

Sandra Watts from here in Kingsbury has a great collection of postcards that her great aunt saved from 1907 to around 1909.

Since Valentine's Day is this week, these are some of the Kingsbury and Valentines cards from that collection. The backs are as **interesting** as the fronts! And don't forget that "One cent" (or "Foreign Two cents") stamp!

The backs of some of these cards have "post card" in a number of different languages:

- Postkarte - German*
- Carte postale - French*
- Post card - English (hopefully you got that one!)*
- Cartonlina postale - Italian*
- Briefkaart - Dutch*
- Brefkort - Norwegian*
- Correspondenzkarte - Bulgarian*
- Dopisnica - Slovenian*
- Dopisnice - Czech*
- Karta korespondencyjna - Polish*
- Levelezö-Lap - Hungarian*
- Tarjeta postal - Spanish*
- Cartão postal - Portuguese*
- Lots of funny looking letters not on my keyboard - Russian*



Postkarte -- Carte postale -- Post card -- Cartolina postale
Briefkaart -- Brefkort -- Correspondenzkarte -- Dopisnica
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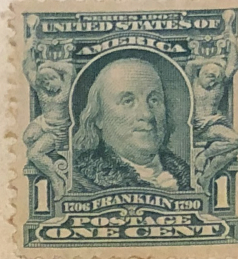
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FROM
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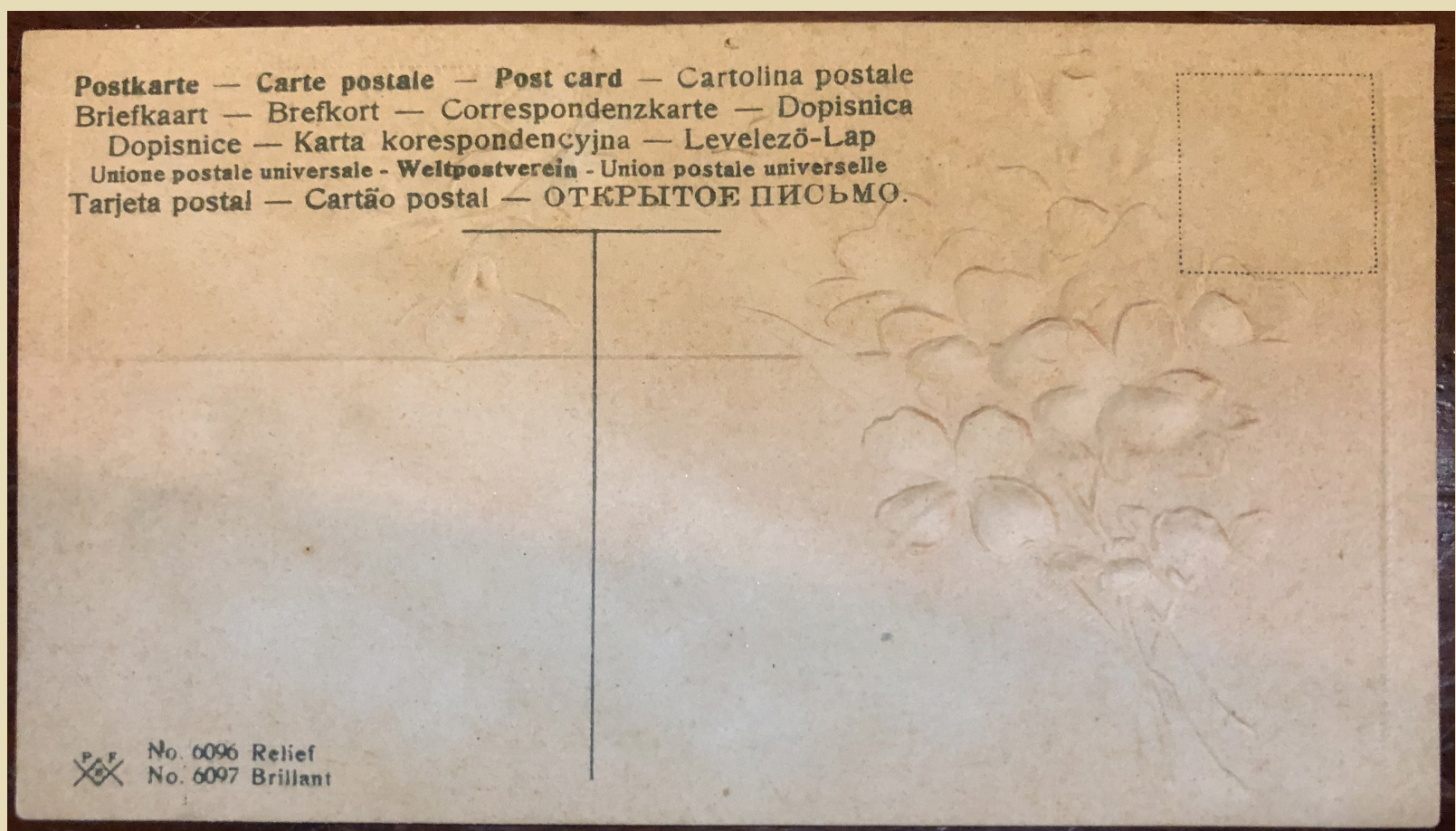
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Dear Jack
why don't
you write
to us. your
boy L.J.

Mrs M. Childs
141 Willow St
Austin Tex

P.F. No. 6096 Relief
No. 6097 Brilliant



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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