

Kaw Valley Almanac

June 21 - 27, 2021

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Day	Moon rises	South	Moon sets	% Illum/Phase
Monday	05:31 PM	10:48 PM	03:20 AM	88%
Tuesday	06:48 PM	11:47 PM	03:56 AM	95%
Wednesday	08:04 PM		04:40 AM	99%
Thursday	09:15 PM	12:50 AM	05:33 AM	Full Moon
Friday	10:15 PM	01:55 AM	06:35 AM	98%
Saturday	11:05 PM	02:58 AM	07:44 AM	94%
Sunday	11:45 PM	03:58 AM	08:56 AM	87%



As fireworks season approaches, now is the perfect time to enjoy the pink bursts of color on sensitive brier, with each pink filament tipped with a bright yellow anther like a spark. Don't forget to brush the paired leaflets with your finger and watch how they fold together like hands in prayer right before your eyes.



Sun

Mars, Venus W after dusk, Jupiter, Saturn SE at dawn.

Day	Gets light	Sunrise	Sunset	Gets dark
Monday	04:49 AM	05:55 AM	08:49 PM	10:05 PM
Tuesday	04:49 AM	05:56 AM	08:50 PM	10:05 PM
Wednesday	04:49 AM	05:56 AM	08:50 PM	10:05 PM
Thursday	04:50 AM	05:56 AM	08:50 PM	10:05 PM
Friday	04:50 AM	05:57 AM	08:50 PM	10:05 PM
Saturday	04:51 AM	05:57 AM	08:50 PM	10:05 PM
Sunday	04:51 AM	05:57 AM	08:50 PM	10:05 PM

Live outside the Lawrence area? Get rise and setting times, moon data where you live at: <https://www.timeanddate.com/astronomy/>

§ Will lightning bugs be boosted by rains? I hope so, tho they will also likely extend our chigger and tick season. Darners and dragonflies will continue to eat the mosquitoes as will purple martins, swallows, nightjars, frogs, water striders and bats. See also how many kinds of butterflies you can I.D.

§ Wonderful wildflower viewing continues with daisy fleabane, pale spiked lobelia, culver's root, slender mountain mint, echinacea, lead plant, pale yellow coneflower, prairie phlox, evening primrose, various milkweeds, deptford pink, white sweet and red clovers, black and brown eyed susans and many more. Touch the leaves of the sensitive brier plant and they will close up right before your eyes in a few seconds.

§ If you missed last weekend's Kansas Land Trust prairie walk at Akin Prairie, you have a second chance next Saturday. Family oriented walks begin there at 8am, 9am and 10am and will be lead by local botanist Courtney Masterson. Local nature illustrator Sara Taliaferro will lead additional activities. Check www.klt.org for directions and to register for this free event.

§ Some wild raspberries are ready to pick; check the blackberries and gooseberries as well. Mulberries continue. And don't forget to check out all the berries and produce at the Farmer's Market near you.

§ Wheat harvest is creeping north, reaching central Kansas. Many folks are cutting and baling hay while the sun shines.