

Kaw Valley Almanac

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Day	Moon rises	South	Moon sets	% Illum/Phase
Monday	02:50 AM	08:18 AM	01:54 PM	37%
Tuesday	03:17 AM	09:04 AM	03:00 PM	27%
Wednesday	03:41 AM	09:47 AM	04:04 PM	19%
Thursday	04:04 AM	10:30 AM	05:06 PM	11%
Friday	04:28 AM	11:13 AM	06:08 PM	6%
Saturday	04:54 AM	11:57 AM	07:11 PM	2%
Sunday	05:22 AM	12:43 PM	08:13 PM	0%



Oxeye daisy is a "naturalized" prairie wildflower that some consider invasive, but it is an important food source for many pollinators such as this beetle (look closely), and of course is the source of "s/he loves me... s/he loves me not..."



Venus, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn east at dawn.

Day	Gets light	Sunrise	Sunset	Gets dark
Monday	04:59 AM	06:02 AM	08:33 PM	09:45 PM
Tuesday	04:58 AM	06:01 AM	08:34 PM	09:46 PM
Wednesday	04:57 AM	06:00 AM	08:35 PM	09:47 PM
Thursday	04:56 AM	06:00 AM	08:36 PM	09:48 PM
Friday	04:55 AM	05:59 AM	08:37 PM	09:49 PM
Saturday	04:55 AM	05:59 AM	08:37 PM	09:50 PM
Sunday	04:54 AM	05:58 AM	08:38 PM	09:51 PM

Live outside the Lawrence area? Get rise and setting times, moon

data where you live at: <https://www.timeanddate.com/astronomy/>

§ The numbers of blossoming prairie wildflowers continues to increase: this week look for emerging echinacea, delphinium, cinquefoil, daisy fleabane, deptford pinks, sensitivebrier and others joining the spiderworts, oxeye daisy, yarrow, and salsify, among many others.

§ The cottonwood dominated Kaw floodplain forest is currently full of up to 60 bird species this time of year and the Wakarusa wetlands can host even more types of birds than that. Identify the birds in your neighborhood by sight and song, and nighthawks have returned to downtowns.

§ Another pollinator favorite, yellow sweet clover, is blooming along area roadsides, and the asian perennial grass brome that dominates most hay fields is ready to pollinate, so the coming weeks will mean runny noses for allergy sufferers.

§ Begin looking for spittle bugs foaming the stems of the brome and other plants with their slippery, wet protective homes. Lightning bugs have started to flash their availability to their peers after dark.

§ Frogs and toads are relishing recent rains, and this is the middle of birthing season for bats, muskrats, skunks, bobcats, woodchucks and beavers. Turtles are laying eggs, skinks and snakes are breeding, and chigger season has begun.