

Kaw Valley Almanac

October 17 - 23, 2022

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Day	Moon rises	South	Moon sets	% Illum/Phase
Monday		07:14 AM	03:02 PM	3rd Quarter
Tuesday	12:20 AM	08:04 AM	03:39 PM	38%
Wednesday	01:21 AM	08:51 AM	04:11 PM	29%
Thursday	02:24 AM	09:37 AM	04:39 PM	21%
Friday	03:26 AM	10:21 AM	05:04 PM	13%
Saturday	04:30 AM	11:04 AM	05:28 PM	7%
Sunday	05:34 AM	11:48 AM	05:51 PM	3%



The sycamore leaves are dropping away, revealing the white barked limbs that will make them easy to spot in the winter. Their white figures typically line creek and river beds; look for the large nests built by herons in the biggest trees.



Sun

Jupiter rising E and Saturn SE at dusk, Mercury east, Mars, south at dawn.

Day	Gets light	Sunrise	Sunset	Gets dark
Monday	06:40 AM	07:32 AM	06:39 PM	07:41 PM
Tuesday	06:41 AM	07:33 AM	06:38 PM	07:39 PM
Wednesday	06:42 AM	07:34 AM	06:36 PM	07:38 PM
Thursday	06:43 AM	07:35 AM	06:35 PM	07:37 PM
Friday	06:44 AM	07:36 AM	06:34 PM	07:35 PM
Saturday	06:45 AM	07:37 AM	06:32 PM	07:34 PM
Sunday	06:46 AM	07:38 AM	06:31 PM	07:33 PM

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

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

§ Even though many brome and fescue fields haven't greened up much due to the drought, fields dominated by warm season prairie grasses can still be spotted by their coppery colors.

§ Once you've found a native prairie patch, this is a good time to gather some seeds. The drought has affected seed production, but if you find some seeds that look healthy, make sure they are really dry, store them in paper/cans, away from rodents in a cool, dry place, remembering that many seeds need to be in the cold in order to germinate next spring.

§ Area reservoirs, rivers and wetlands are fine locations to watch migrating birds gathering, flying and swarming, particularly around sunrise and sunset. Seagulls can be seen all day long if you look up in the sky and if you're lucky, you might spot blackbird/grackle/starling murmurations, those mesmerizing flocks of thousands that look like flying giant, ever-changing amoebas in the sky.

§ Deer activity is starting to increase with the beginning of rutting season. Look for their "rutting," i.e. ground where they've scraped the leaves and grass off, leaving patches of bare dirt that is rutted by their hooves. Drive carefully especially after sunset and before sunrise when deer are most active, and it's common that if you see one deer, another one might be coming up behind soon.