

Kaw Valley Almanac

March 20 - 26, 2023

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Day	Moon rises	South	Moon sets	% Illum/Phase
Monday	07:08 AM	12:44 PM	06:32 PM	3%
Tuesday	07:35 AM	01:35 PM	07:45 PM	New Moon
Wednesday	08:01 AM	02:23 PM	08:57 PM	0%
Thursday	08:27 AM	03:12 PM	10:08 PM	3%
Friday	08:55 AM	04:01 PM	11:18 PM	8%
Saturday	09:26 AM	04:51 PM		15%
Sunday	10:01 AM	05:43 PM	12:27 AM	23%



Sycamore trees are easy to spot this time of year due to their white bark and tendency to grow along creeks and wet areas. Most tree buds haven't yet opened, but if you see swollen/open buds, chances are you're looking at an elm or maple tree. They bloom now in order to produce their winged seeds next month.



Sun

Venus, W, Mars SSW at dusk

Day	Gets light	Sunrise	Sunset	Gets dark
Monday	06:28 AM	07:24 AM	07:32 PM	08:29 PM
Tuesday	06:30 AM	07:23 AM	07:33 PM	08:34 PM
Wednesday	06:28 AM	07:21 AM	07:34 PM	08:35 PM
Thursday	06:27 AM	07:19 AM	07:35 PM	08:36 PM
Friday	06:25 AM	07:18 AM	07:36 PM	08:37 PM
Saturday	06:24 AM	07:16 AM	07:37 PM	08:38 PM
Sunday	06:22 AM	07:15 AM	07:38 PM	08:39 PM

§ Monday is the spring equinox, a word that means "equal night." 12 hours of daylight and 12 hours of night occurred last week, however, on March 16-17. The same occurs in the fall, with the equinox being September 23rd this year but equal day and night occurring September 25-26. If you have a chance to see sunrise or sunset this week (might be cloudy quite a bit), make a mental note where it is on the horizon and watch it move north from that spot in coming weeks. If you're driving into the sunrise/set on an east-west road, you'll be very aware of where the sun is this time of year....be careful!

§ Turkey vultures are returning to Kansas right now, migrating back north from overwintering from as far south as South America. Look for groups of up to 30 at a time wending their way through the area.

§ If you are not aware of invasive woody plants on your land, this is a good time to find them: callery pears will be blooming white soon, and honeysuckle shrubs are one of the first shrubs to green up in the woods. Both should be removed due to their habit of taking over and killing out most other species.

§ On the other hand, it's not too early to start looking for native woodand wildflowers: rue anemone, false rue anemone, dutchman's breeches and cutleaf toothwort are all emerging and will soon grace native woodlands with their beautiful blossoms.