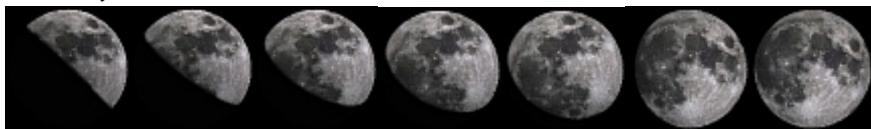


# Kaw Valley Almanac

November 20 - 26, 2023

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Day	Moon rises	South	Moon sets	% Illum/Phase
Monday	01:36 PM	06:59 PM		1st Quarter
Tuesday	02:03 PM	07:48 PM	12:32 AM	59%
Wednesday	02:28 PM	08:36 PM	01:44 AM	70%
Thursday	02:53 PM	09:24 PM	02:55 AM	80%
Friday	03:20 PM	10:13 PM	04:06 AM	88%
Saturday	03:49 PM	11:04 PM	05:18 AM	95%
Sunday	04:23 PM		06:31 AM	98%



Trees and animals depend on each other for their mutual survival. Soft bodied fruits feed animals and typically have hard seeds that pass through the gut, to be deposited elsewhere, complete with some fertilizer. Hard shelled walnuts, pecans, hazelnuts, acorns (pictured above) and hickory nuts have a protective package on the outside, allowing them to be safely transported, some eaten, some buried, to resprout elsewhere.

Plants and animals can't live without each other!



## Sun

Jupiter rises E, Saturn S at dusk; Venus E at dawn.

Day	Gets light	Sunrise	Sunset	Gets dark
Monday	06:13 AM	07:08 AM	05:04 PM	06:08 PM
Tuesday	06:14 AM	07:09 AM	05:03 PM	06:08 PM
Wednesday	06:15 AM	07:10 AM	05:03 PM	06:07 PM
Thursday	06:16 AM	07:12 AM	05:02 PM	06:07 PM
Friday	06:17 AM	07:13 AM	05:02 PM	06:07 PM
Saturday	06:18 AM	07:14 AM	05:01 PM	06:06 PM
Sunday	06:18 AM	07:15 AM	05:01 PM	06:06 PM

§ Many people take Thanksgiving walks after their meal, which is a wonderful tradition. If you dress right, consider adding a Thanksgiving sit somewhere in the middle of that walk. Find a nice patch of prairie or native woodland to walk in, and then find a comfortable log or place to sit for at least 20 minutes. It takes that long for you to shift gears and for life to forget you are there: birds are often first, then squirrels, a few turkeys, a grazing deer and more. Enjoy the lingering leaves floating to the ground, the gossamer of spider webs in the branches as you look toward the sun, the late grasshopper or flying insect flitting about. Let your thoughts drop away and let life in.

§ Prairies still have green sprigs of yarrow, wild onion and garlic, daisy rotettes, red rosehips and the smell of still-fragrant horsemint and slender mountain mint seedheads.

§ Fallen leaves that are still green have died from lack of water instead of the usual shutting down process that closes down green chlorophyll, turn color and drop off in the fall.

§ Consider signing up at [feederwatch.org](http://feederwatch.org) or [birdcount.org](http://birdcount.org) to report which species visit your feeders this winter.

§ This Saturday, Nov. 25 at 2-3:30pm is the free monthly walk at the Prairie Park Nature center prairie.

§ Sat. Dec. 9: mark your calendars for the [Native Ecosystems Trivia Night Fundraiser](#) for the Native Lands Restoration

Collaborative, 4-7pm

§ The days around full moon make for interesting night walks.