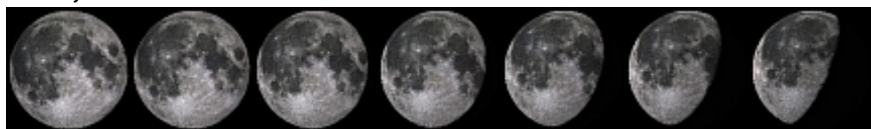


Kaw Valley Almanac

August 19 - 25, 2024

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Day	Moon rises	South	Moon sets	% Illum/Phase
Monday	08:30 PM	01:01 AM	06:14 AM	Full Moon
Tuesday	08:58 PM		07:32 AM	99%
Wednesday	09:25 PM	02:47 AM	08:48 AM	95%
Thursday	09:51 PM	03:38 AM	10:04 AM	88%
Friday	10:19 PM	04:28 AM	11:19 AM	79%
Saturday	10:50 PM	05:20 AM	12:34 PM	69%
Sunday	11:26 PM	06:13 AM	01:49 PM	58%



The American ground potato, *Apios americana*, is a vine with edible tubers even more nutritious than the domesticated potato and was a staple food for many North American tribes. "Topeka" means "place where we dig potatoes" for the Kansa and Osage tribes: this legume is currently blooming.



Sun

Jupiter, Mars SE, Saturn S at dawn, Venus low W at dusk

Day	Gets light	Sunrise	Sunset	Gets dark
Monday	05:42 AM	06:38 AM	08:09 PM	09:14 PM
Tuesday	05:43 AM	06:39 AM	08:08 PM	09:13 PM
Wednesday	05:45 AM	06:40 AM	08:06 PM	09:11 PM
Thursday	05:46 AM	06:41 AM	08:05 PM	09:10 PM
Friday	05:47 AM	06:42 AM	08:03 PM	09:08 PM
Saturday	05:48 AM	06:43 AM	08:02 PM	09:06 PM
Sunday	05:49 AM	06:44 AM	08:01 PM	09:05 PM

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

§ In addition to various species of sunflowers, look for blooming/on the verge of blooming thistles, goldenrods, gentians and bonesets. Spiranthes, flowering spurge and gayfeathers continue to bloom and in the woods, snakeroot is getting ready to bloom. Sticktites, hedge parsley and other sticky seeds abound, and I've seen some ragweed beginning to pollinate: allergy sufferers beware!

§ Many birds are in the area, including shorebirds, hummingbirds, turkey vultures, ducks, nighthawks, and myriad other species, some of which are gathering in flocks. So many insects and seed-producing plants have kept area birds happy.

§ What is that daytime song you are hearing that is not a bird or frog? Probably an insect, including a variety of cicada species. Check out which sound belongs to which insect here: <http://songsofinsects.com/thumbail-guide-to-species>

§ With the full moon this week, it's a good time to see animals who use the extra light to get around. A slow drive on quiet country roads can be a good way to see mammals, and reptiles who prefer cooler nights over days to get around. And roll down your window to hear the katydids, tree frogs and other night singers, which at times can be almost deafening.

§ There are many hummingbirds who have arrived in the area, and it's not too late to put out a feeder to attract some.