

Kaw Valley Almanac

September 23 - 29, 2024

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Day	Moon rises	South	Moon sets	% Illum/Phase
Monday	10:56 PM	05:59 AM	01:58 PM	62%
Tuesday	11:54 PM	06:58 AM	03:01 PM	3rd Quarter
Wednesday		07:56 AM	03:53 PM	40%
Thursday	12:58 AM	08:50 AM	04:34 PM	31%
Friday	02:03 AM	09:41 AM	05:08 PM	22%
Saturday	03:08 AM	10:27 AM	05:35 PM	14%
Sunday	04:10 AM	11:10 AM	05:59 PM	8%



Sumac is one of the first leaves to shut down the green chlorophyll, leaving the red anthocyanin pigment that extends its ability to create glucose in the shorter days. It also makes roses red and is a powerful antioxidant in our food, protecting heart and mind.



Sun

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

Day	Gets light	Sunrise	Sunset	Gets dark
Monday	06:18 AM	07:10 AM	07:15 PM	08:16 PM
Tuesday	06:19 AM	07:10 AM	07:13 PM	08:15 PM
Wednesday	06:20 AM	07:11 AM	07:12 PM	08:13 PM
Thursday	06:21 AM	07:12 AM	07:10 PM	08:11 PM
Friday	06:22 AM	07:13 AM	07:09 PM	08:10 PM
Saturday	06:22 AM	07:14 AM	07:07 PM	08:08 PM
Sunday	06:23 AM	07:15 AM	07:06 PM	08:07 PM

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

§ The fall planting season takes many forms. Seeds drop from plants, sometimes carried by the wind long distances, and are covered by leaves, keeping them viable and providing compost for spring sprouting. Other seeds are buried by animals or enveloped in tasty flesh for animals to eat and after passing through their digestive systems, are deposited with fertilizer far away from the mother plant.

§ Many goldenrod species continue to provide late nectar sources for pollinators, who in turn fertilize the flowers that will mature into seeds for another year. Other yellow flowers join them including perennial and annual sunflowers, silphiums, bidens, jerusalem artichokes, along with purple and white asters, white bonesets, and lingering blue sage and gentians.

§ Monarch butterfly migration seems to be smaller this year, but with the passage of the cold front, now is a good time to see a potential increase in numbers, riding the tailwind. Look also for turkey vulture kettles, dragonflies, spiders using their gossamer, blackbirds, warblers and many other species using the favorable winds to head south.

§ There are many opportunities to gather native seeds, help with prairie restoration projects, learn how to make your yard wildlife friendly and other events going on. Find out about these at <https://www.lawrencebirdalliance.org/calendar>