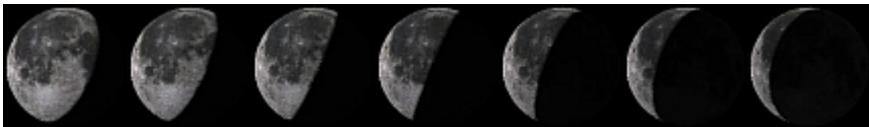


# Kaw Valley Almanac

October 21 - 27, 2024

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Day	Moon rises	South	Moon sets	% Illum/Phase
Monday	09:43 PM	04:45 AM	12:48 PM	77%
Tuesday	10:46 PM	05:46 AM	01:46 PM	67%
Wednesday	11:53 PM	06:43 AM	02:33 PM	56%
Thursday		07:36 AM	03:09 PM	3rd Quarter
Friday	12:59 AM	08:24 AM	03:39 PM	36%
Saturday	02:02 AM	09:09 AM	04:04 PM	27%
Sunday	03:04 AM	09:50 AM	04:25 PM	19%



Maple leaves are starting to fall and while colorful are at times almost pastel due to the dry, sunny skies that have almost bleached them before they fell. Over 96% of the state is now in some level of drought and any rain that falls this week will do little to change this.



## Sun

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

Day	Gets light	Sunrise	Sunset	Gets dark
Monday	06:44 AM	07:36 AM	06:33 PM	07:35 PM
Tuesday	06:45 AM	07:38 AM	06:32 PM	07:33 PM
Wednesday	06:46 AM	07:39 AM	06:30 PM	07:32 PM
Thursday	06:47 AM	07:40 AM	06:29 PM	07:31 PM
Friday	06:48 AM	07:41 AM	06:28 PM	07:30 PM
Saturday	06:49 AM	07:42 AM	06:27 PM	07:29 PM
Sunday	06:50 AM	07:43 AM	06:25 PM	07:27 PM

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

§ Many sparrows are to be found in grasses and weedy stalks right now—see if you can identify them. At reservoirs there are still plenty of gulls, owls and hawks, more ducks and geese, and if you're lucky maybe some cormorants and a returning eagle.

§ If you see a daddy longlegs, be assured that it is safe to let it crawl onto your hand as they cannot bite. Hit your wrist up against your other hand, launching the daddy longlegs into the air and they will float down like a parachute, always landing feet first. Clap your hands nearby and the antennae will point your way since their "ears" are on the tips of the antennae.

§ Look for clusters of box elder beetles gathering in sunny spots while ladybugs will soon be gathering in corners of your rooms. Other bugs migrate under tree bark, into the gathering leaf layer on the ground, or even under ground. Toads and turtles have begun to dig into the dirt and any mud they can find to overwinter in deep hibernation.

§ This week is National Birdability Week, and the Lawrence Bird Alliance is celebrating "making birding accessible for everybody and every body" by leading an accessible bird walk at the Baker Wetlands Discovery Center this Saturday at 9am.

§ <https://www.getoutdoorskansas.org/trails> is a great website to locate hiking trails all across the state: grab a friend and enjoy one of the best times of the year for a hike.