

Kaw Valley Almanac

November 4 - 10, 2024

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Day	Moon rises	South	Moon sets	% Illum/Phase
Monday	10:09 AM	02:38 PM	07:05 PM	10%
Tuesday	11:08 AM	03:33 PM	07:59 PM	16%
Wednesday	12:00 PM	04:29 PM	09:01 PM	24%
Thursday	12:44 PM	05:24 PM	10:10 PM	34%
Friday	01:21 PM	06:17 PM	11:21 PM	1 st Quarter
Saturday	01:53 PM	07:08 PM		55%
Sunday	02:20 PM	07:58 PM	12:33 AM	66%



Recent winds and rains have caused many lingering leaves to fall, and while it looks like these elms have some lingering leaves on their tops, it's actually a flock of blackbirds! In town and along roads, you can see them gathering by the hundreds on power lines. Look for geese, seagulls and more as migration continues.



Sun

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

Day	Gets light	Sunrise	Sunset	Gets dark
Monday	05:58 AM	06:51 AM	05:16 PM	06:19 PM
Tuesday	05:59 AM	06:53 AM	05:15 PM	06:18 PM
Wednesday	06:00 AM	06:54 AM	05:14 PM	06:17 PM
Thursday	06:01 AM	06:55 AM	05:13 PM	06:17 PM
Friday	06:02 AM	06:56 AM	05:12 PM	06:16 PM
Saturday	06:03 AM	06:57 AM	05:11 PM	06:15 PM
Sunday	06:04 AM	06:58 AM	05:10 PM	06:14 PM

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

§ With recent rains loosening the soils, now is a great time to find the still-green, non-native invasive honeysuckle bush and if they are small, pull it up by hand in area woods and prairies, especially if they have red berries that birds will eat, spreading the seed. If they are bigger, cut and treat the stump.

§ You can still hear late season crickets and see ruddy grasshoppers on sunny days. If you're lucky you might hear a solitary tree or chorus frog croaking around dusk, soon to migrate into the mud to overwinter there.

§ Seeds are food for overwintering animals. Some plants, like oaks, produce tasty, nutritious seeds and count on squirrels and bluejays to bury the seeds and forget where some of them are, thus planting the next generation. Other plants produce fruit with tasty coverings around the seed, which are planted after passing through animal who ate the fruit, depositing it elsewhere, complete with some fertilizer.

§ With rains, now is a good time to observe mushrooms, including shelf mushrooms, horizontal woody decomposers found on dead trunks and limbs, puffball mushrooms, who when ripe emit a puff of spores when you stomp on it, and the edible winter mushroom Pleurotis, or oyster mushroom.

§ This Saturday is the Seed Vault Grand Opening at Blazing Star Prairie from 1-4pm. See details at <https://www.facebook.com/events/1984363182015473>