

Kaw Valley Almanac

January 27 - February 2, 2025

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Day	Moon rises	South	Moon sets	% Illum/Phase
Monday	07:30 AM	11:59 AM	04:31 PM	6%
Tuesday	08:16 AM	12:56 PM	05:43 PM	2%
Wednesday	08:55 AM	01:52 PM	06:57 PM	New Moon
Thursday	09:27 AM	02:44 PM	08:11 PM	1%
Friday	09:55 AM	03:34 PM	09:25 PM	4%
Saturday	10:20 AM	04:23 PM	10:37 PM	9%
Sunday	10:45 AM	05:11 PM	11:50 PM	17%



Look for eagles flying overhead, perched in cottonwoods or even checking out their large nests: eagles are returning to their nests. Current census estimates that there are 3,000 eagles in the state, with 137 breeding pairs. Eagles love fishing in open stretches of water this time of year.



Sun

Venus W, Saturn SW, Jupiter SE, Mars E after dusk

Day	Gets light	Sunrise	Sunset	Gets dark
Monday	06:31 AM	07:31 AM	05:37 PM	06:36 PM
Tuesday	06:31 AM	07:30 AM	05:38 PM	06:37 PM
Wednesday	06:30 AM	07:29 AM	05:39 PM	06:38 PM
Thursday	06:29 AM	07:28 AM	05:40 PM	06:39 PM
Friday	06:28 AM	07:27 AM	05:41 PM	06:40 PM
Saturday	06:28 AM	07:26 AM	05:42 PM	06:41 PM
Sunday	06:27 AM	07:25 AM	05:43 PM	06:42 PM

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

§ The recent snow has flattened grasses and leaf litter in woods. I've seen winter flocks, i.e. different species of songbirds coming together, working their way through the woods, fluffing up the layer of leaves looking for grubs, worms and other things to eat.

§ Even though things seem drab this time of year, you can find plenty of green if you look for it, including moss, bristly greenbriar vines; leafy rosettes of daisy, mullein, dandelion and thistle pressed against the ground, fragrant, green springs of ferny yarrow leaves, and cool season grasses.

§ Deer, wild turkeys, coyotes, raccoons and other wild animals can be seen from the roadside this time of year as vegetation is dormant and animals are hungry. Because many are creatures of habit, note the time and return the same time another day to try your luck seeing them again.

§ "Balancing Beavers: Discussing the Benefits and Challenges of Living with Nature's Engineers" is the presentation at the Baker Wetlands Discovery Center on Monday at 7pm

§ Where are insects this time of year? Many moths are still in their cocoons, which you can find attached to sticks. Beetles, millipedes and other insects can be found under logs in the leaf litter. Dragonfly, mayfly and caddis fly nymphs can be found under flat rocks in shallow creeks once the ice melts.