

Kaw Valley Almanac

April 14 - 20, 2025

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Monday	09:58 PM	02:09 AM	07:15 AM	99%
Tuesday	11:00 PM	02:54 AM	07:43 AM	96%
Wednesday		03:41 AM	08:17 AM	91%
Thursday	12:02 AM	04:32 AM	08:59 AM	85%
Friday	01:00 AM	05:25 AM	09:49 AM	78%
Saturday	01:52 AM	06:19 AM	10:47 AM	69%
Sunday	02:38 AM	07:12 AM	11:52 AM	3rd Quarter



The common Eastern Swallowtail was first drawn by naturalists in 1587, but has been admired by indigenous inhabitants for thousands of years. To survive, the caterpillar resembles a bird dropping, then acquires a pungent odor, then a growth that resembles a snake head. As a butterfly, it eats nectar from a wide variety of flowers including this lilac. Photo courtesy [Stephen Locke](#)



Sun

Venus E at dawn, Jupiter W, Mars SW after dusk

Day	Gets light	Sunrise	Sunset	Gets dark
Monday	04:50 AM	05:45 AM	06:57 PM	08:00 PM
Tuesday	04:48 AM	05:43 AM	06:58 PM	08:02 PM
Wednesday	04:46 AM	05:42 AM	06:59 PM	08:03 PM
Thursday	04:45 AM	05:40 AM	07:00 PM	08:04 PM
Friday	04:43 AM	05:39 AM	07:01 PM	08:05 PM
Saturday	04:42 AM	05:38 AM	07:02 PM	08:06 PM
Sunday	04:40 AM	05:36 AM	07:03 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/>

§ Another week full of outdoor activities including Saturday's Lawrence's Earth Day events in South Park 1-4pm, Prairie Park walk at 2pm, and Wakarusa Wetlands Celebration at 9am at the Haskell Medicine Wheel at 9am. Check the nature center nearest you for more events as well as those mentioned above the details of which can be found at

<https://www.lawrencebirdalliance.org/calendar>

§ It's been dry across the state, with drought ranging from abnormally dry to severe in over 80% of Kansas, the lack of rain is doing more than interfering with morel season. Nevertheless, any April showers this week will cause woodland wildflowers, morels and more to practically jump out of the ground. Look for May apple flowers under plants with two leaves, buckeye blossoms and the beginnings of oak and hickory leaves to unfurl. Cottonwoods are leafing out, and redbuds are converting spring blossoms into seed pods.

§ On the prairies look for verbena, wood betony, spring beauty, puccoon and maybe some early prairie phlox or columbine by next weekend. Some Kentucky bluegrass is ready to send up seed heads, too.

§ The landscape holds newborn coyotes, rabbits, foxes, muskrats, birds, tadpoles and fish eggs. Listen for plentiful bird songs around sunrise and sunset and lots more insects.