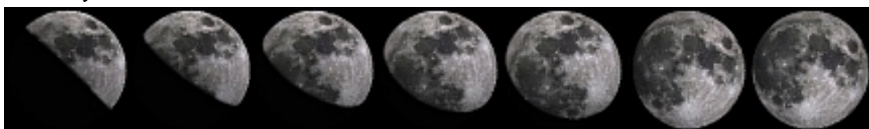


Kaw Valley Almanac

June 2 - 8, 2025

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Day	Moon rises	South	Moon sets	% Illum/Phase
Monday	12:42 PM	07:26 PM	01:36 AM	1st Quarter
Tuesday	01:43 PM	08:07 PM	01:59 AM	51%
Wednesday	02:43 PM	08:46 PM	02:19 AM	60%
Thursday	03:42 PM	09:25 PM	02:40 AM	70%
Friday	04:41 PM	10:06 PM	03:00 AM	78%
Saturday	05:42 PM	10:49 PM	03:23 AM	85%
Sunday	06:44 PM	11:35 PM	03:49 AM	91%



Butterfly milkweed, shown here in red-orange, can be anywhere from dark red to yellow in its genetic variations, and speaking of variations, notice how the blossoms from one plant range from green and closed to fully openly colorful. Enjoy these beauties for most of June and count the butterflies, too!



Sun

Saturn, Venus east at dawn, Mars west after dusk

Day	Gets light	Sunrise	Sunset	Gets dark
Monday	04:51 AM	05:56 AM	08:41 PM	09:55 PM
Tuesday	04:51 AM	05:56 AM	08:42 PM	09:56 PM
Wednesday	04:50 AM	05:56 AM	08:43 PM	09:56 PM
Thursday	04:50 AM	05:55 AM	08:43 PM	09:57 PM
Friday	04:49 AM	05:55 AM	08:44 PM	09:58 PM
Saturday	04:49 AM	05:55 AM	08:44 PM	09:59 PM
Sunday	04:49 AM	05:55 AM	08:45 PM	09:59 PM

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§ The hackberry butterfly is taking wing after almost defoliating some hackberry trees during its caterpillar stage. The trees bounce back and now there will be literally millions of hackberry butterflies harmlessly visiting milkweeds, drinking from puddles, etc. - enjoy!

§ Other milkweeds are opening their blossoms too in one of the prettier wildflower seasons on the prairie in some time. Joining the milkweeds are echinacea, cinquefoil, delphinium, deptford pinks, oxeye daisy, penstemon, sensitivebrier, prairie phlox, prairie rose, spiderwort, Missouri evening primrose and blue/white indigo. If you were to pick one week in the year to visit a prairie, this would be a good one!

§ Along roadsides, look for those giant dandelion seed balls of the salsify plant. Rough leaved/Kansas dogwood is the common roadside shrub blooming with white blossoms. Yellow roadside flowers are probably yellow sweet clover, soon to be replaced by white sweet clover. Pink blooming groundcover? Crown vetch. Pink tall flower? Musk thistle. White tall flower? Poison hemlock or Queen Anne's Lace. Blue? Chickory blossoms.

§ Look for spittlebugs on growing grasses, and if that grass is brome, it's pollinating, causing allergy sufferers grief. But after dark, those grasses are the home of many a lightning bug, and enjoy the waxing moon getting bigger every day this week.