

Kaw Valley Almanac

August 18 - 24, 2025

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Day	Moon rises	South	Moon sets	% Illum/Phase
Monday	01:16 AM	09:19 AM	05:22 PM	28%
Tuesday	02:19 AM	10:21 AM	06:16 PM	18%
Wednesday	03:29 AM	11:19 AM	06:59 PM	11%
Thursday	04:41 AM	12:13 PM	07:34 PM	5%
Friday	05:51 AM	01:03 PM	08:02 PM	1%
Saturday	06:59 AM	01:49 PM	08:26 PM	New Moon
Sunday	08:04 AM	02:31 PM	08:48 PM	1%



Big bluestem has seeded out and is pollinating. Big bluestem seedheads can be taller than a person, and is also known by the name "turkey foot" due to the resemblance of some of the multiple seedheads to the footprint of a turkey, which can sometimes be seen wandering through these tall grasses.



Sun

Saturn rises E at dusk, Venus, Jupiter east at dawn

Day	Gets light	Sunrise	Sunset	Gets dark
Monday	05:41 AM	06:37 AM	08:11 PM	09:16 PM
Tuesday	05:42 AM	06:38 AM	08:10 PM	09:15 PM
Wednesday	05:43 AM	06:39 AM	08:08 PM	09:13 PM
Thursday	05:44 AM	06:40 AM	08:07 PM	09:12 PM
Friday	05:45 AM	06:41 AM	08:05 PM	09:10 PM
Saturday	05:46 AM	06:42 AM	08:04 PM	09:09 PM
Sunday	05:47 AM	06:42 AM	08:02 PM	09:07 PM

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§ Wildflowers currently blooming include blue sage, showy partridge pea, perennial sunflowers, asters, wild petunia, gentians, whorled and swamp milkweeds, slender mountain mint, boneset, goldenrods, and euphorbia. Look closely for insects busily eating, mating or stalking on the flowers. Note how the insects often have markings whose colors blend perfectly with the flower.

§ Spiders are thick once again, requiring you to carry a stick if you are walking down a path, especially after dark. If you find yourself out after dark, take a flashlight to see if you can see the light reflected back in the eyes of many spiders. Katydid, crickets and tree frogs continue to sing at night, too, and many animals choose to avoid the heat by being nocturnal.

§ There are many hummingbirds who have arrived in the area, and it's not too late to put out a feeder to attract some. Many birds need a little water in a bird bath or water feeder, especially young fledglings, so consider putting some out and it's fun to see who shows up to use it.

§ This week's moonless evening skies brings an ideal opportunity to see the summer Milky Way, which stretches from Cassiopeia and Perseus in the north, through Cygnus the Swan overhead, to Sagittarius in the south. A pair of binoculars (or a telescope) makes the view even more spectacular--don't miss it!