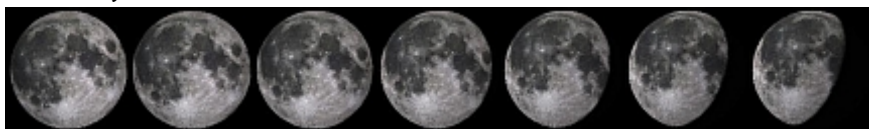


Kaw Valley Almanac

October 6 - 12, 2025

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Day	Moon rises	South	Moon sets	% Illum/Phase
Monday	06:36 PM	12:19 AM	06:41 AM	Full Moon
Tuesday	07:04 PM	01:10 AM	07:57 AM	100%
Wednesday	07:37 PM	02:03 AM	09:15 AM	98%
Thursday	08:16 PM	03:00 AM	10:36 AM	94%
Friday	09:05 PM	04:00 AM	11:55 AM	87%
Saturday	10:04 PM	05:04 AM	01:07 PM	78%
Sunday	11:10 PM	06:07 AM	02:09 PM	67%



I was surprised during our recent hot weather to see a sun pillar at sunset, after the sun had already dropped below the horizon. This phenomenon is caused by flat ice crystals in the air reflecting light from the sun. This is much more common during colder months, but these high clouds had to be pretty cold despite the heat at the ground.



Sun

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

Day	Gets light	Sunrise	Sunset	Gets dark
Monday	06:30 AM	07:21 AM	06:55 PM	07:56 PM
Tuesday	06:31 AM	07:22 AM	06:53 PM	07:54 PM
Wednesday	06:32 AM	07:23 AM	06:52 PM	07:53 PM
Thursday	06:33 AM	07:24 AM	06:50 PM	07:52 PM
Friday	06:34 AM	07:25 AM	06:49 PM	07:50 PM
Saturday	06:34 AM	07:26 AM	06:47 PM	07:49 PM
Sunday	06:35 AM	07:27 AM	06:46 PM	07:47 PM

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

§ On Monday and Tuesday nights, the winds overhead will be from the north, so expect an uptick in fall migration numbers for birds, compared to the mostly southerly winds of recent days. Watch the estimates for nighttime bird migration at birdcast.info to see how high they get. If it's clear, it might be fun to watch moonrise through binoculars to see if you can see bird flocks passing in front of the moon's disk.

§ Sunflowers and goldenrods are on their last blossoms while asters, gentians and bonesets keep blooming away. Snake root in woodlands keeps on blooming white, too. Watch for grasses and trees to start turning colors this week!

§ Dry weather has been good news for corn harvest, and soybean fields are turning yellow, with a few early fields having lost their leaves and are getting close to harvesting, too.

§ If you have a chance, squirrels are very fun to watch as they gather food for the winter. Watch under an oak tree to see if they bury the acorn or stash it away in a hole somewhere. Other rodents such as packrats, woodchucks and mice are just as busy, but harder to watch, while bluejays are also busy burying acorns. Their acorns turn into many an oak tree!

§ Native Lands Restoration Collaborative is having its annual [Trivia Night Fundraiser](#) this Saturday, October 11, 5 - 9pm in Flory Hall in the Douglas County Fairground. It's fun and helps restore prairies, wetlands and woodlands!