

Kaw Valley Almanac

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Day	Moon rises	Moon south	Moon sets	% Illum.	Phase
Monday	12:15 AM	07:32 AM	02:54 PM	49%	
Tuesday	01:04 AM	08:30 AM	03:58 PM	38%	
Wednesday	02:00 AM	09:29 AM	04:57 PM	27%	
Thursday	03:04 AM	10:30 AM	05:52 PM	17%	
Friday	04:14 AM	11:30 AM	06:40 PM	9%	
Saturday	05:26 AM	12:28 PM	07:22 PM	4%	
Sunday	06:39 AM	01:24 PM	08:00 PM	0%	New Moon



Bidens/tickseed, found in wet areas, is beginning to carpet with yellow the Wakarusa wetlands, along the South Lawrence Trafficway and other lowland areas in the region. It's a great time to see butterflies, too!



Sun

Saturn, Jupiter SW, Mars SE at dusk,
Mercury E at right before dawn;
Venus west just after sunset

Day	Gets light	Sunrise	Sunset	Gets dark
Monday	05:56 AM	06:51 AM	07:48 PM	08:52 PM
Tuesday	05:57 AM	06:52 AM	07:46 PM	08:51 PM
Wednesday	05:58 AM	06:53 AM	07:45 PM	08:49 PM
Thursday	05:59 AM	06:54 AM	07:43 PM	08:47 PM
Friday	06:00 AM	06:55 AM	07:42 PM	08:46 PM
Saturday	06:02 AM	06:56 AM	07:40 PM	08:44 PM
Sunday	06:03 AM	06:56 AM	07:38 PM	08:42 PM

Nature Notes

§ Heavier rains from Pacific storms pumping moisture up from the Baja region have resulted in rains mostly west and north of us so far, but hopefully this week will provide us with some “catch-up” moisture as moisture plumes are pumped in from the south, followed perhaps by tropical storm remnants from the Gulf of Mexico taking aim at our area at the end of this week. Meanwhile enough moisture has arrived to save the soybean and milo crops and increase insect and bird activities and migrations.

§ September is the new August as far as yellow flower profusion; however fall asters have begun to bloom as well, peaking later on this month. Ragweed pollen seems to be increasing in output, as it does whether it's a wet or dry year. Summer mushroom season will no doubt get a big boost with the moisture, so keep an eye out for everything from the slimy “cloud ears” to the arc of a group of fairy ring mushrooms.

§ Deer bucks are finishing growing their antlers, check plant leaves and stalks for “galls” produced by insects, spider webs are everywhere, dragonflies are swarming for migration, predated by flocks of birds, look for ever larger flocks of blackbirds/grackles, and marauding formations of pelicans.

§ If you have moths and other bugs on your windows at night, look for hungry tree frogs hanging on the window, waiting....