

# Kaw Valley Almanac

June 10 - 16, 2019

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Day	Moon rises	South	Moon sets	% Illum/Phase
Monday	01:42 PM	08:14 PM	02:03 AM	1st Quarter
Tuesday	02:51 PM	09:03 PM	02:35 AM	66%
Wednesday	03:58 PM	09:52 PM	03:07 AM	76%
Thursday	05:05 PM	10:42 PM	03:38 AM	85%
Friday	06:11 PM	11:32 PM	04:11 AM	92%
Saturday	07:17 PM		04:47 AM	97%
Sunday	08:19 PM	12:24 AM	05:27 AM	99%



The butterfly milkweeds have begun to bloom and will continue to bloom for the next several weeks. Later this year than many recent years, the color of these milkweeds vary considerably, with this example being on the redder end of the spectrum. They are easy to spot along the roadsides, but make sure to use it as an excuse to visit prairie stands like you can find at places like Prairie Park Nature Center in Lawrence, Grant-Bradbury in Topeka, or join the Grassland Heritage Foundation in their walk on June 15 in Welda, KS—check their web/facebook page for details.



Sun

Jupiter east after dusk,  
Saturn SW, Venus low east at dawn

## Nature Notes

Day	Gets light	Sunrise	Sunset	Gets dark
Monday	04:48 AM	05:54 AM	08:46 PM	10:00 PM
Tuesday	04:48 AM	05:54 AM	08:46 PM	10:01 PM
Wednesday	04:48 AM	05:54 AM	08:47 PM	10:02 PM
Thursday	04:48 AM	05:54 AM	08:47 PM	10:02 PM
Friday	04:48 AM	05:54 AM	08:47 PM	10:03 PM
Saturday	04:48 AM	05:54 AM	08:48 PM	10:03 PM
Sunday	04:48 AM	05:54 AM	08:48 PM	10:03 PM

§ Expect rapid progress in area crop fields as they have finally dried out enough for farmer to try to get in some late planting of soybeans and milo, along with the beginning of hay cutting if the weather allows for several days of sunny, dry weather.

§ Common and butterfly milkweeds are now blooming, joining echinacea, cinquefoil, delphinium, penstemons, spiderworts, oxeye daisy, daisy fleabane, evening primrose, prairie rose, prairie phlox, white and blue wild indigo, prickly pear cactus, deptford pink, and many others. Sensitivebrier looks to be a week away from blooming in northeast Kansas.

§ Roughleafed/Kansas dogwoods continue blooming and there are plenty of berry patches to be checking: raspberry, blackberry, a late strawberry or two, gooseberry for starters.

§ Fawns are getting big enough that you might start to run into them as they begin to wander. With mud around many drinking holes, look at the size of the deer tracks for hints, and see what other animals are visiting, too.

§ Honeysuckle, musk thistle and crown vetch continue to bloom; remove these noxious weeds before they go to seed.

§ There seems to be a mini-emergence in central DG county of *Magicicada cassini*, which is a 17 year locust. Not part of the large broods, download the Safari Cicada app to share any pics.