

Kaw Valley Almanac

August 5 - 11, 2019

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Day	Moon rises	South	Moon sets	% Illum/Phase
Monday	11:40 AM	05:46 PM	11:43 PM	27%
Tuesday	12:48 PM	06:36 PM		38%
Wednesday	01:56 PM	07:26 PM	12:16 AM	1st Quarter
Thursday	03:01 PM	08:16 PM	12:50 AM	60%
Friday	04:04 PM	09:08 PM	01:26 AM	70%
Saturday	05:04 PM	09:59 PM	02:07 AM	79%
Sunday	05:59 PM	10:51 PM	02:52 AM	87%



Stiff coneflower is one of the perennial sunflowers that have begun to bloom and will be joined by other perennial sunflower species and the state flower, the annual sunflower in the month of August. Note the beautiful purple gayfeathers in the background: this is another great week to take a walk in an area prairie!



Sun

Jupiter S, Saturn SE after dusk

Day	Gets light	Sunrise	Sunset	Gets dark
Monday	05:25 AM	06:25 AM	08:28 PM	09:36 PM
Tuesday	05:27 AM	06:25 AM	08:27 PM	09:35 PM
Wednesday	05:28 AM	06:26 AM	08:26 PM	09:34 PM
Thursday	05:29 AM	06:27 AM	08:24 PM	09:32 PM
Friday	05:30 AM	06:28 AM	08:23 PM	09:31 PM
Saturday	05:31 AM	06:29 AM	08:22 PM	09:29 PM
Sunday	05:32 AM	06:30 AM	08:21 PM	09:28 PM

Nature Notes

§ This week 15 minutes of daylight will disappear as the days get shorter between summer solstice and fall equinox in September. Meanwhile the moon is waxing, shining more light in the night sky as it passes from the half moon of “first quarter” moon toward full moon next week.

§ Prairie wildflowers currently blooming include liatris/gayfeather, ironweed, showy partridge pea, coreopsis, stiff and ashy sunflower, wild petunia, compassplant, gray coneflower, rattlesnakemaster, whorled milkweed, slender mountain mint and euphorbia corollata.

§ Identify those seeds stuck on your socks and pants! Miniature cocklebur-like round “sticktite?” That’s from the hedge parsley plant. Flat eye-shaped “sticktite?” That’s from the tick trefoil plant.

§ This weekend is the Vinland Fair: check out their schedule at www.vinlandfair.com to find out when the music, tractor pull, pie judging and wonderful food is available – don’t miss one of the best kept secrets in this part of the state.

§ Swallowtails and many other species of butterflies are frequenting area flowers, along with beetles, spiders and flies: see if you can take photos of them. And while you’re at it: try to take a photo of one of the growing numbers of grasshoppers, or a cicada, or cricket, or tree frog, or katydid, or beetle, or....