

# Kaw Valley Almanac

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Day	Moon rises	South	Moon sets	% Illum/Phase
Monday	02:49 AM	09:57 AM	05:13 PM	15%
Tuesday	03:20 AM	10:42 AM	06:13 PM	9%
Wednesday	03:55 AM	11:30 AM	07:11 PM	4%
Thursday	04:37 AM	12:21 PM	08:07 PM	1%
Friday	05:26 AM	01:13 PM	08:59 PM	New Moon
Saturday	06:22 AM	02:05 PM	09:44 PM	1%
Sunday	07:23 AM	02:57 PM	10:24 PM	4%



This bumblebee is methodically collecting the yellow dots of pollen from the gray coneflower, so named by how it looks gray before it becomes covered with the emerging brown disk florets. The bumblebee stashes the pollen in pollen sacks or corbicula, located on its legs, to take back home to feed the young bees and queen. There are 49 bumblebee species in the US and they pollinate a much wider variety of flowers than honeybees.



## Sun

Venus WNW at dusk, Jupiter, Saturn S at dawn.

Day	Gets light	Sunrise	Sunset	Gets dark
Monday	04:56 AM	06:01 AM	08:49 PM	10:03 PM
Tuesday	04:56 AM	06:02 AM	08:49 PM	10:03 PM
Wednesday	04:57 AM	06:02 AM	08:48 PM	10:03 PM
Thursday	04:58 AM	06:03 AM	08:48 PM	10:02 PM
Friday	04:59 AM	06:04 AM	08:48 PM	10:02 PM
Saturday	05:00 AM	06:04 AM	08:47 PM	10:01 PM
Sunday	05:00 AM	06:05 AM	08:47 PM	10:00 PM

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§ Recent rains have caused many mushrooms to emerge, including fairy rings, which are caused by the fungus spreading out in an ever expanding circle from where it started, living on dead plant material that it breaks down. Many mushrooms emerge from the remaining dead roots from a tree that has been removed or from buried limbs in the soil.

§ There are still plenty of wildflowers out there to enjoy, with compassplant's tall stalk shooting up and beginning the yellow sunflower season that will increase as summer progresses.

Others to enjoy include daisy fleabane, St. Johnswort, sensitivebrier, culver's root, slender mountain mint, echinacea, lead plant, evening primrose, deptford pink, white or purple prairie clover, elderberry, black and brown eyed susans, beebalm, American bellflower and many more.

§ Sycamores are shedding their bark, Kansas dogwood berries are green, soon to turn white, while sumac seedheads are turning reddish brown. Osage orange balls are growing and black walnuts are the size of shelled pecans. Hedge parsley/sticktites seeds of maturing and look for more and more spiderwebs.

§ Look for the acrobatics of dragonflies and damselflies around water. Katydids are beginning to sing at night, lightningbugs stitch the night sky, grasshoppers are flying in the day. Galls are forming on many plant leaves and stems.