

Kaw Valley Almanac

October 19 - 25, 2020

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Day	Moon rises	South	Moon sets	% Illum/Phase
Monday	10:57 AM	03:59 PM	08:55 PM	13%
Tuesday	12:10 PM	04:59 PM	09:45 PM	23%
Wednesday	01:15 PM	05:58 PM	10:41 PM	33%
Thursday	02:11 PM	06:55 PM	11:42 PM	44%
Friday	02:59 PM	07:49 PM		1st Quarter
Saturday	03:38 PM	08:40 PM	12:44 AM	66%
Sunday	04:11 PM	09:26 PM	01:47 AM	75%



The recent cold front has provided favorable north winds for large flocks of geese to fly south; you can hear them sometimes before you see them due to their height, as shown in this cloudy day. Keep an eye out for many other types of migrating waterfowl and songbirds taking advantage of the same winds in the coming week.



Sun

Venus E at dawn; Mars SE, Jupiter, Saturn S after dusk

Monday	06:42 AM	07:34 AM	06:36 PM	07:37 PM
Tuesday	06:43 AM	07:36 AM	06:34 PM	07:36 PM
Wednesday	06:44 AM	07:37 AM	06:33 PM	07:35 PM
Thursday	06:45 AM	07:38 AM	06:32 PM	07:33 PM
Friday	06:46 AM	07:39 AM	06:30 PM	07:32 PM
Saturday	06:47 AM	07:40 AM	06:29 PM	07:31 PM
Sunday	06:48 AM	07:41 AM	06:28 PM	07:30 PM

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

Nature Notes

- § The fall season is upon us and the weather is briefly reminiscent of spring, with frost/freeze, thunderstorm and mild south winds all forecast this week. As mentioned in the photo, when winds shift to the north, look to the sky, water and bird feeders for migrating birds passing through your area.
- § It's been a rather drab autumn for fall colors in northeast Kansas due to dry, windy conditions that mute the red chlorophyll present when the green fades from the leaf/grass blade, as well as the winds tugging off the leaves from trees sooner than they otherwise would fall. If you get rain, see if you can see a difference in the brightness of the colors.
- § Deer activity is increasing with the beginning of rutting season. Look for their "rutting," i.e. areas where they've scraped the leaves and grass off, leaving patches of bare dirt that is rutted by their hooves. Drive carefully especially after sunset and before sunrise when deer are most active, and it's common that if you see one deer, another one might be coming up behind soon.
- § If you've been avoiding walks because of the bugs, your walking season has begun due to frosts/dryness. It's a great time to start, with lingering colors, migrating birds and observing animals especially around dusk and dawn.