

Kaw Valley Almanac

May 16 - 22, 2022

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Day	Moon rises	South	Moon sets	% Illum/Phase
Monday	09:32 PM	01:22 AM	06:21 AM	99%
Tuesday	10:49 PM	02:22 AM	07:06 AM	95%
Wednesday	11:58 PM	03:27 AM	08:02 AM	89%
Thursday		04:32 AM	09:07 AM	80%
Friday	12:56 AM	05:36 AM	10:20 AM	70%
Saturday	01:42 AM	06:35 AM	11:33 AM	59%
Sunday	02:20 AM	07:29 AM	12:46 PM	3rd Quarter



This wild hyacinth was one of many blooming at the Prairie Park Nature Center prairie. With rain in the eastern half of the state and favorable weather, expect more wildflowers blooming this week including prairie phlox, cinquefoil, evening primrose, daisy fleabane, deptford pink, indigo, spiderwort, delphinium, oxeeye daisy and many others.



Mars, Jupiter, Saturn east at dawn.

Day	Gets light	Sunrise	Sunset	Gets dark
Monday	05:05 AM	06:07 AM	08:27 PM	09:37 PM
Tuesday	05:04 AM	06:06 AM	08:28 PM	09:38 PM
Wednesday	05:03 AM	06:05 AM	08:29 PM	09:39 PM
Thursday	05:02 AM	06:05 AM	08:30 PM	09:41 PM
Friday	05:01 AM	06:04 AM	08:31 PM	09:42 PM
Saturday	05:00 AM	06:03 AM	08:32 PM	09:43 PM
Sunday	04:59 AM	06:02 AM	08:33 PM	09:44 PM

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§ Songbird breeding season is really kicking into high gear, with songbirds singing all day long, which, in addition to the males' colorful plumage, is an ideal way to identify them: through their songs. There are many good apps that can help identify and refresh your memory if you've forgotten what bird song that is.

§ May is also a very active time for most mammals, with baby rabbits, skunks, raccoons, muskrats, bobcats and beavers joining young coyotes and foxes, to say nothing of mice, shrews packrats and gophers.

§ Woodlands are getting a variety of mushrooms with recent rains, and if you take a walk there, check out the progress of wild cherries, plums, raspberries, mayapples, papaws and gooseberries. It looks to be a good year for wild and domestic fruit. Cottonwoods are forming their seeds, which will begin to open up and release the floating fluffy seeds from the female trees, while honeysuckle and black locust continue to bloom and release their exquisite fragrance.

§ We've had enough rain in the Lawrence area to start thinking about something that has been hard to find of late: springs. Chorus frogs can help you find them: seeps on hillsides play an important place for animals to get clean water to drink and for amphibians to mate and grow up.