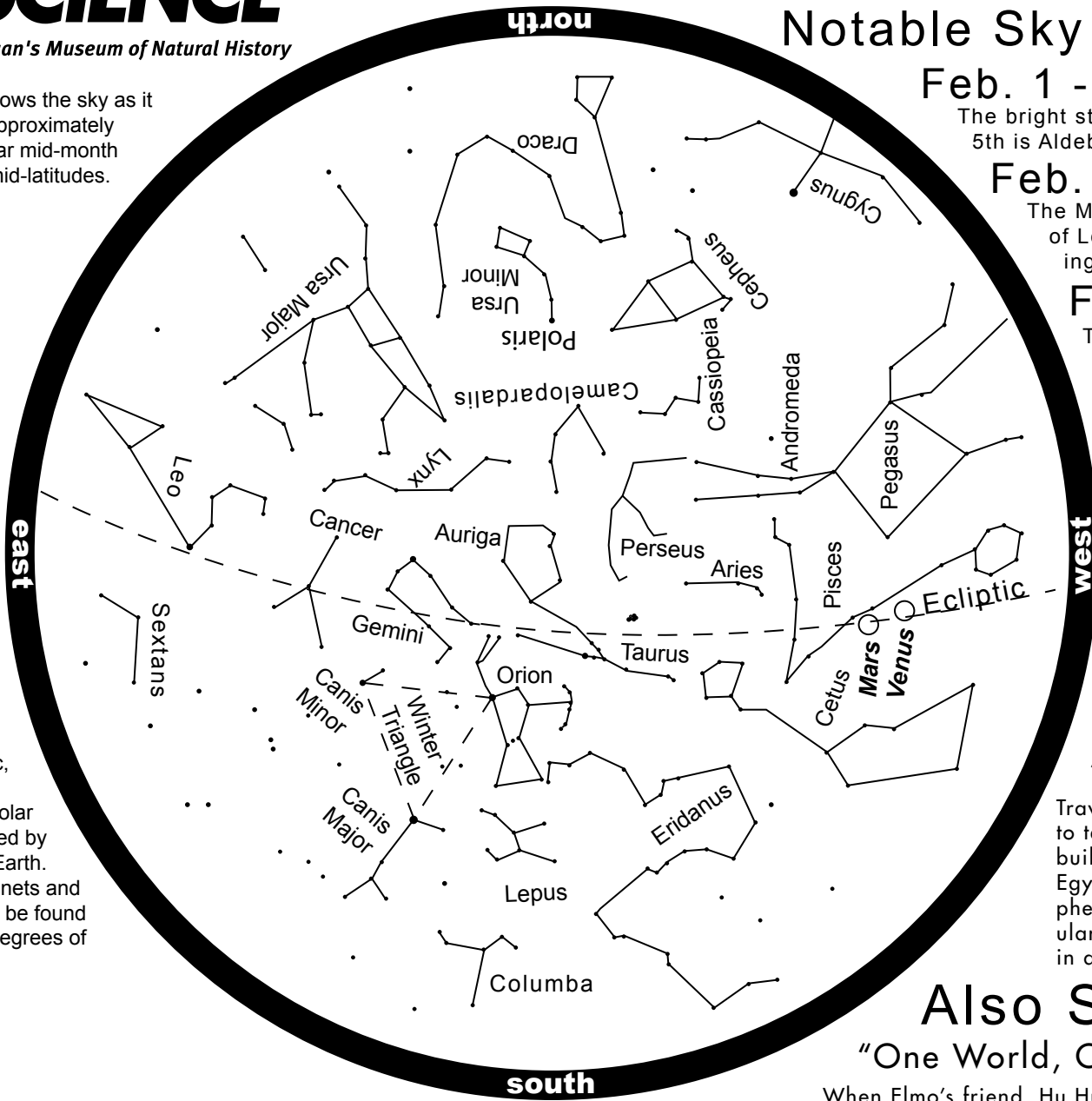


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## Notable Sky Happenings



This chart shows the sky as it appears at approximately 8pm EST near mid-month at northern mid-latitudes.



What is that dashed line?  
 It's the ecliptic, the reference plane of the solar system, defined by the Sun and Earth. The major planets and the Moon can be found within a few degrees of this plane.

### Feb. 1 - 7

The bright star to the right of the Moon the evening of the 5th is Aldebaran the "eye" of Taurus the bull.

### Feb. 8 - 14

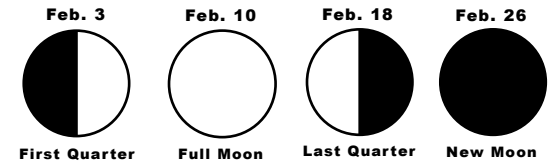
The Moon is to the upper right of Regulus, the "heart" of Leo the lion, the evening of the 10th. The following evening it's to the lower left of Regulus.

### Feb. 15 - 21

The Moon is to the right of Jupiter in the SW predawn sky on the 15th.

### Feb. 22 - 28

The Moon is to the upper right of Saturn in the SE predawn sky on the 20th. On the evening of the 28th the Moon is to the lower left of Venus in the W.



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