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Notable Sky Happenings



This chart shows the sky as it appears at approximately 10pm EDT near mid-month at northern mid-latitudes.

Camelopardali Cassiobeia rebyens

Ursa Minor

Virgo

Jupiter

south

Libra

Colana

Polaris

north

Hercules

Serpens Caput

plane of the solar system, defined by the Sun and Earth.

Saturn ! The major planets and the Moon can always be found within a few degrees

of this plane.

What is that

dashed line? It's the ecliptic.

the reference

The Cranbrook Observatory is open to the public Friday and Saturday evenings from 8:30 - 10:00pm EDT, and the first Sunday of the month from 1:00 - 4:00pm for solar viewing. Come have a look through our 6" telescope! For observatory information visit

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June 1 - 7

Cancer

Hygio

The Moon is to the left of Saturn on the 1st (SSW predawn) and above Mars on the 3rd (S predawn).

June 8 - 1*4* 

The star below Jupiter in the SSE after sunset on the 8th is Zubenelgenubi, a double star in Libra. You can spot its faint companion with binoculars.

June 15 – 21

The Moon is to the lower right of Venus on the 15th and to the left on the 16th (W evening). Summer begins at 6:07 a.m. on the 21st.

June 22 - 30

The Moon is to the upper left of Jupiter on the 23rd (S evening). Saturn is at opposition (closest to Earth and brightest for the year) and the Moon is above it on the 27th (SE evening).





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