

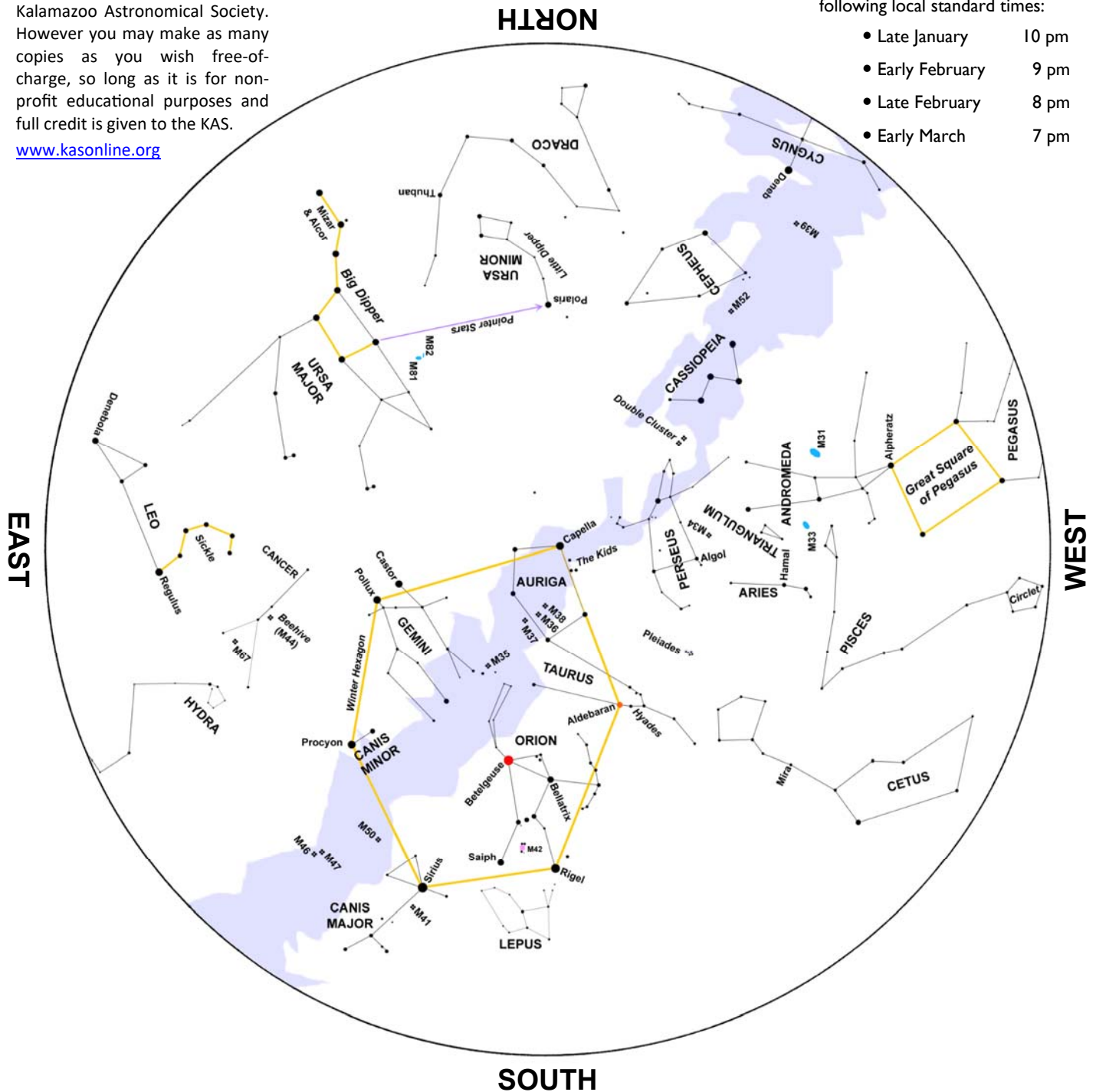
— February Night Sky —

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This map represents the sky at the following local standard times:

- Late January 10 pm
- Early February 9 pm
- Late February 8 pm
- Early March 7 pm



February begins with Jupiter rising in Libra in the southeast a couple of hours after midnight. Mars soon follows in Scorpius. Mars will be near Beta Scorpis (Graffias) on February 2nd.

Look low in the southeast before dawn on February 8th for Antares, along with its rival, Mars, a waning crescent Moon, and

brilliant Jupiter. They'll form a celestial arc that straddles the constellations Scorpius and Libra.

A sliver of a waning crescent Moon hangs 2° above Saturn shortly before dawn on February 12th. Saturn itself is some 3° above the famous Teapot asterism in Scorpius.

Find the First Quarter Moon in Taurus on the night of February 23rd. It'll be less than 5° below Aldebaran.

Watch the nearly full Moon on the night of February 28th as it leads Regulus, in Leo, across the sky. Watch the gap between them decrease throughout the night.