

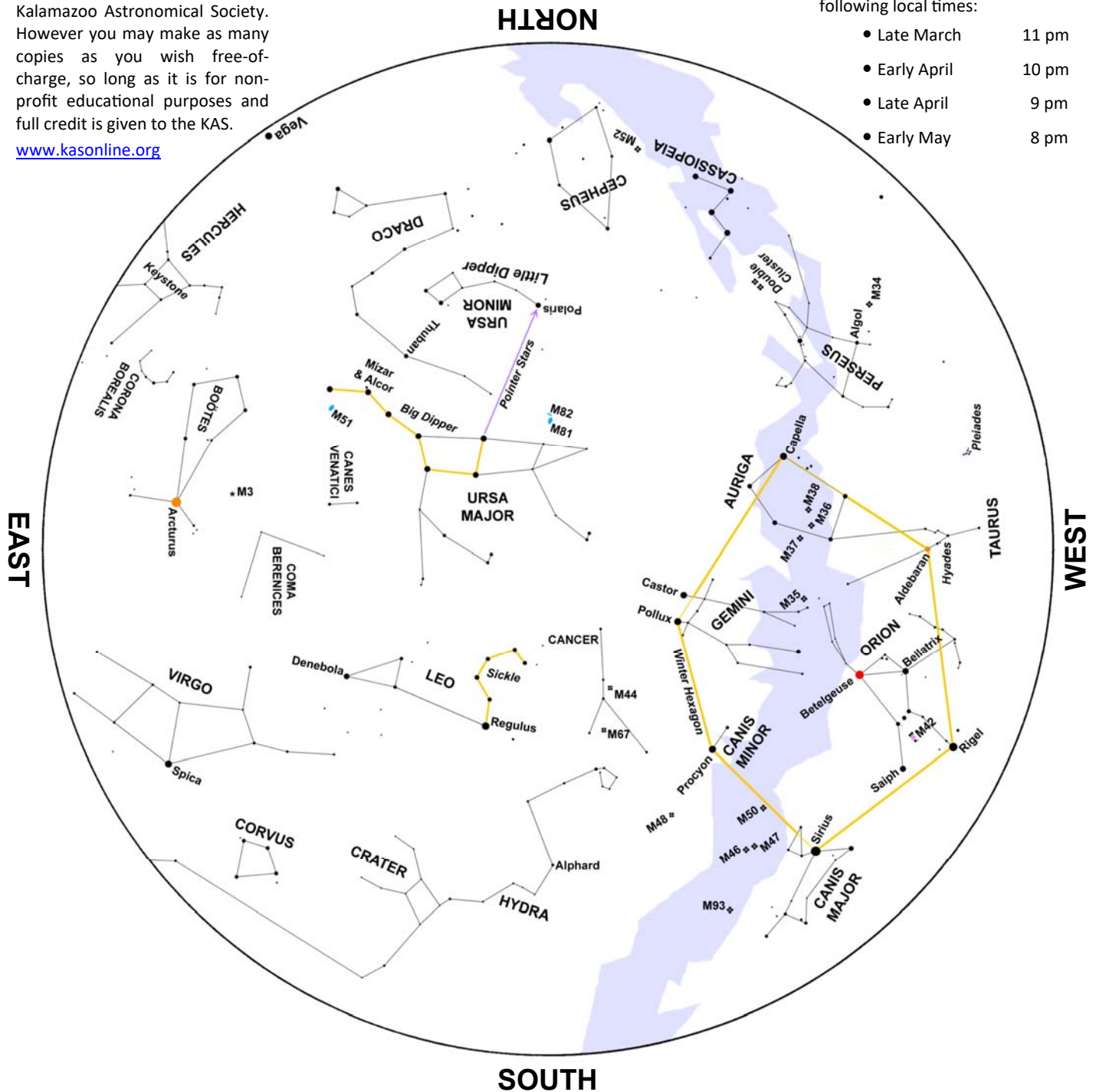
— April Night Sky —

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This map represents the sky at the following local times:

- Late March 11 pm
- Early April 10 pm
- Late April 9 pm
- Early May 8 pm



Mars will be 1° below Saturn before dawn on April 2nd. Look for them in the south-southwestern sky above the Teapot asterism in Sagittarius. The waning gibbous Moon will join Mars and Saturn, now 4° apart, on April 7th. The Moon will be $1\frac{1}{2}^\circ$ above Saturn.

Saturn reaches aphelion, its farthest point

from the Sun, on April 17th. This is typically unnoteworthy, but Saturn will not have been more distant from the Sun since 1959.

A thin waxing crescent Moon visits the Hyades cluster in Taurus on the evening of April 18th and about 2° from the bright star Aldebaran.

A first quarter Moon lies in Cancer, the Crab, on April 22nd. It'll be about 3° below M44, the Beehive Cluster. Both Moon and cluster will easily fit in the field-of-view of $7\times$ or 10×50 binoculars.

The Moon, just one day past full, and Jupiter rise together shortly after sunset in Libra, the Scales, on April 30th.