

# Spring 2019

# Prairie Sky

New Moon		First Quarter		Full Moon		Last Quarter	
March	6th	March	14th	March	20th	March	27th
April	5th	April	12th	April	19th	April	26th
May	4th	May	11th	May	18th	May	26th
June	3rd	June	10th	June	17th	June	25th

March  
 10th Daylight Saving Time begins  
 20th Spring Equinox

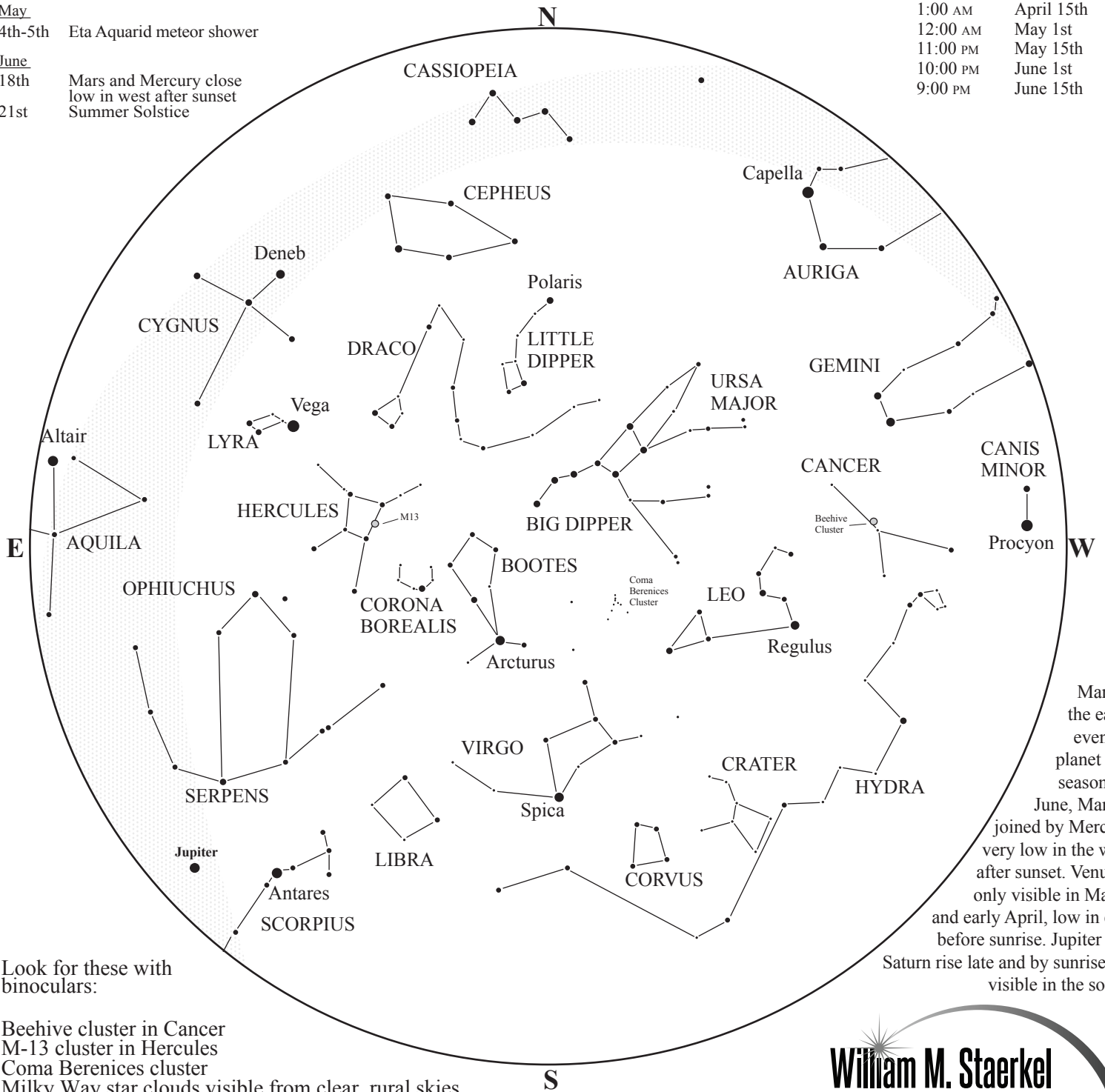
April  
 21st-22nd Lyrid meteor shower

May  
 4th-5th Eta Aquarid meteor shower

June  
 18th Mars and Mercury close low in west after sunset  
 Summer Solstice  
 21st

\*This is how the sky will appear at these approximate times:

2:00 AM	April 1st
1:00 AM	April 15th
12:00 AM	May 1st
11:00 PM	May 15th
10:00 PM	June 1st
9:00 PM	June 15th



Mars is the early evening planet this season. In June, Mars is joined by Mercury very low in the west after sunset. Venus is only visible in March and early April, low in east before sunrise. Jupiter and Saturn rise late and by sunrise are visible in the south.

Look for these with binoculars:

- Beehive cluster in Cancer
- M-13 cluster in Hercules
- Coma Berenices cluster
- Milky Way star clouds visible from clear, rural skies

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