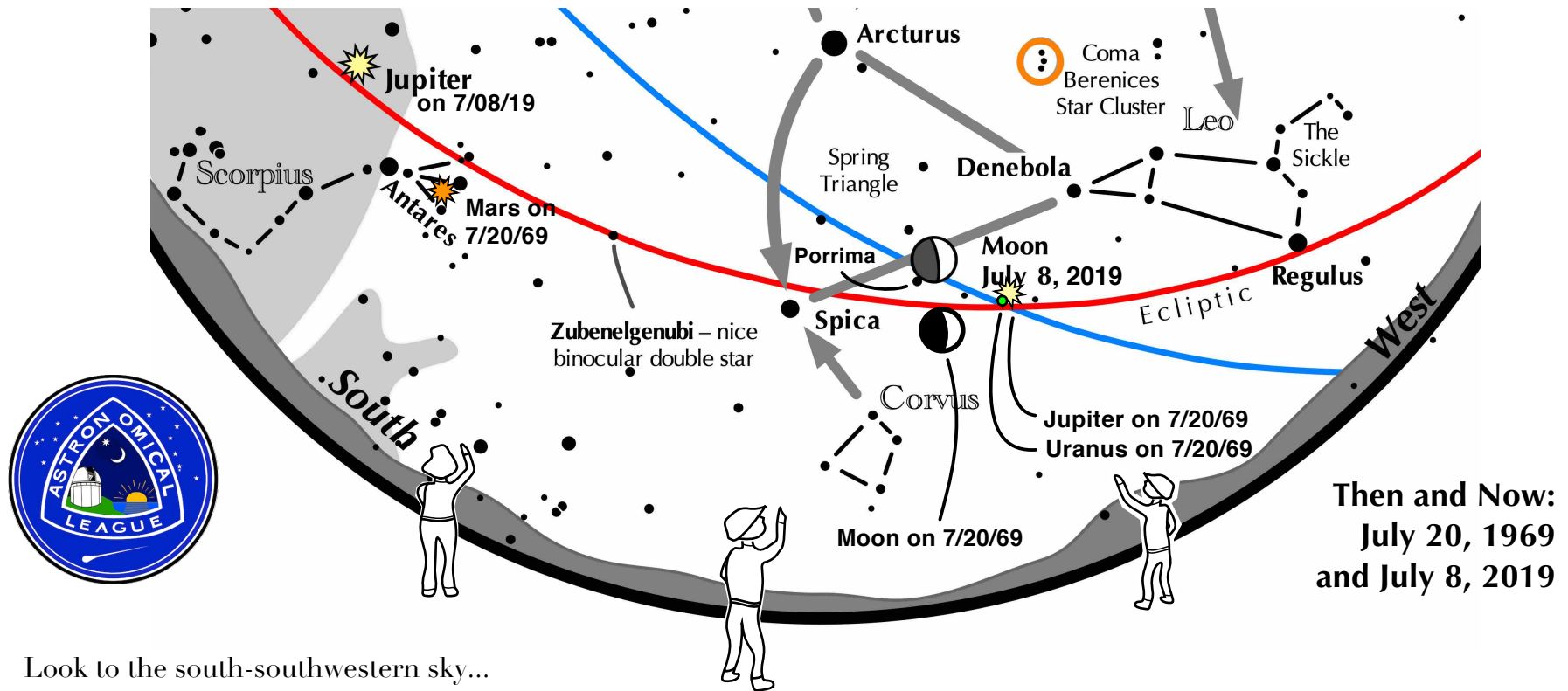


If you can observe only one celestial event this month, consider this one:

See how the moon appeared on the night of the Apollo 11 landing



Look to the south-southwestern sky...

- 75 minutes after sunset.
- On July 8, 2019, the moon is positioned in nearly the same spot in the sky as it was on July 20, 1969.
- On July 20, 1969, the moon's phase was 6.5 days, or 1 day shy of first quarter. On July 8, 2019, the phase is 6.3 days.
- On July 20, 1969, Jupiter shone just to the moon's right.
- On July 20, 1969, Uranus was in conjunction with Jupiter, lying 30 minutes south of the giant planet. Both planets would have been in the same telescope field of view. It would have surely been an attraction to star gazers, if the moon landing wasn't about to take place.
- On July 20, 1969, Mars was low in the south in Scorpius, shining brighter than Arcturus, but dimmer than Jupiter.
- During the moon walk, the moon had already set for East Coasters, while it was visible in the southwest for West Coasters.
- July 20, 1969 was a Sunday.