South Shore Astronomical Society

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Observing Objectives – July '20



A sampling of some rewarding night-sky treats for this month:

Open Cluster – M24, the Great Sagittarius Star Cloud.

Globular Cluster – M22, the second-largest globular in the night sky.

Double Star – Albireo, because you can't go through the summer without it.

Planetary Nebula – M27, a big, bright planetary nebula in Vulpecula.

Galaxies – M101 – well positioned for a try with binoculars around new moon.

Comet – C2017 T2 Panstarrs, the comet that keeps on giving...and giving.

Mercury – culminates on the 24th/25th – look east at around 05:00.

Venus – continues being the 'Morning Star' – the crescent grows fatter.

Jupiter and Saturn – culminate at 01:00 mid-month, well positioned by 23:00.

Mars – rises before midnight the end of the month.

Notable Dates: Independence Day -7/4 Full Moon -7/5 New Moon -7/20