

SHENANDOAH ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY

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Messier 13



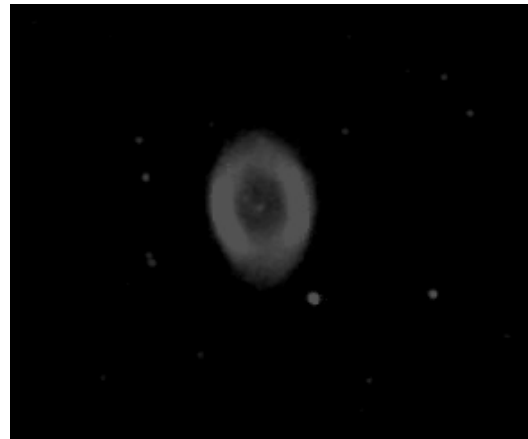
M13 in Hercules

Here we are in Summer again and the Constellation Hercules is up there for all to see. The Great Cluster transits about 11:30 P.M. so after dark he is high enough to be seen to the east. This cluster is unrivaled in a telescope except for M22 in Sagittarius.

Telescope Session July 10

The Shenandoah County Park session will be held starting at dusk and all are invited to come and bring a telescope or just come to take a look through one.

The Ring Nebula



The Summer Triangle made up of my favorite star Vega with Deneb and Altair is full of sky goodies for those who like to find them. One of the favorites is the “smoke ring in the sky” known as the Ring Nebula, M57, on the list of Messier objects.

Program for July 12

LFCC 7:00 PM

We will have a video from the Discovery group featuring the Lowell Observatory founded by Percival Lowell. The many things accomplished by the observatory such as the beginnings of the knowledge of the expanding universe and the discovery of Pluto are discussed. Even for those of you who know a lot about this work will still enjoy this presentation. It is very good indeed. Remember to come to the modular building in the back in Room 336.