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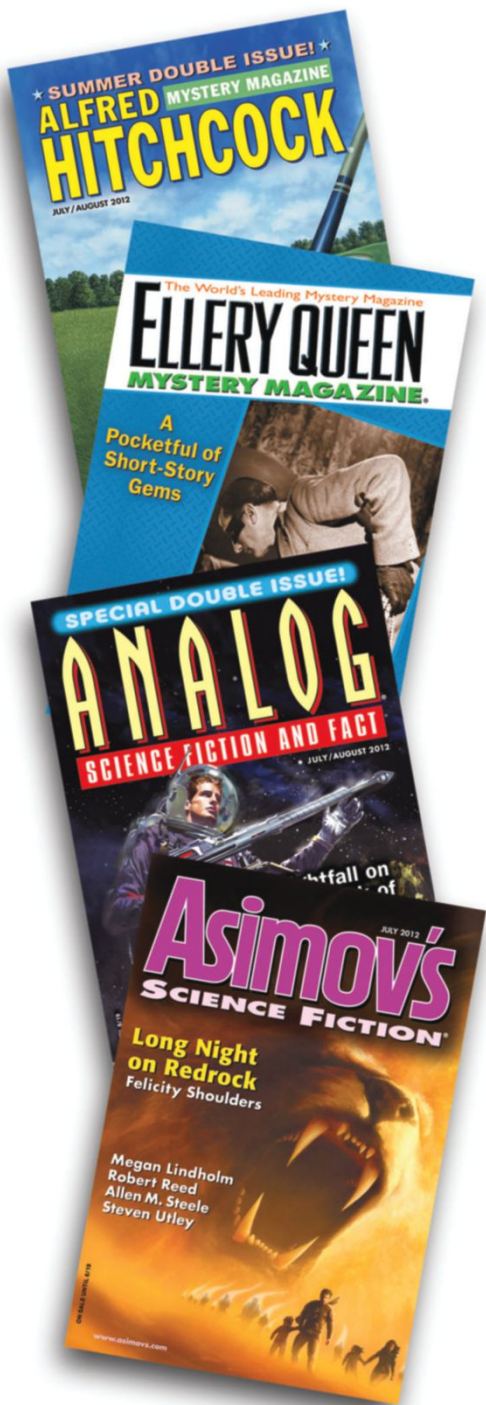
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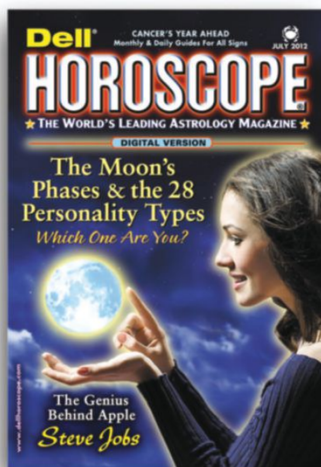
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PRAISE FOR BILL MERIDIAN

Dear Editor,

I want to thank Bill Meridian for explaining, in October's "Planets and You," why Donald Trump was almost certainly born at 9:51 A.M. with 17°34' Leo on his Ascendant rather than at 10:54 A.M. with 29°58' Leo on his Ascendant.

When Mr. Meridian suggested a 17°34' Leo Ascendant for Trump, I had doubts. But, indeed, the leader Trump supporters thought they'd get with the president's Sun and Uranus in his tenth house hasn't materialized.

A truer picture of Trump's first seven months is suggested by Uranus, ruler of his seventh house of partnerships, marriage, and close friendships, in his eleventh house of groups and organizations. Trump is sometimes a Democrat, sometimes a Republican, sometimes an Independent. He gushes with praise for his appointees and then suddenly fires or belittles them.

Mr. Meridian mentioned none of this in his October 2017 article. Rather, he
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gave the reader a valuable lesson in chart rectification with a valuable hint about the use of Uranus in timing.

Mr. Meridian mentioned Charles Jayne. I had imagined that Bill Meridian is grounded in the modern theological tradition of British astrologers Alan Leo, Charles Carter, and Margaret Hone. But, until recently, I was unaware of America's own Charles Jayne.

According to the *Larousse Encyclopedia of Astrology*, Jayne was born on October 9, 1911, at 10:39:12 P.M. E.S.T. in Jenkintown, PA. In 1958, he founded Astrological Research Associates, which published the journal *In Search* (1958-1962). In 1970, Jayne formed the Association for Research in Cosmology and in 1975 published the *Cosmology Bulletin*. He is credited with making astrologers conscious of declination and with the view that eclipses can be thought of as conjunctions and oppositions.

What fascinates me about Charles Jayne's work is that he discovered that the major recurrence cycles of the five outermost planets correspond to cycles discovered by historians and sociologists like Arnold Toynbee and Oswald Spengler. The 794-year Jupiter-Saturn cycle corresponds to Toynbee's breakdown and reintegration of civilizations. The 248-year Pluto cycle is said to correspond to the organic phases of Spengler's cultures—sprouting, growing, flowering, fading as in Spengler's *The Decline of the West!*

In addition to thanking Mr. Meridian for his enlightenment when it came to rectification and to making us awake of Trump's true chart, I thank him for making me curious about Jayne.

I wish also to thank Dell HOROSCOPE for the gift of the writings of a gifted thinker. Bill Meridian is terrific!

Jacque Blake

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Jupiter-Powered New Year's Resolutions!

Making resolutions in January has always seemed rather arbitrary, but this year feels different. Possibly due to the nature of happy-go-lucky Jupiter swimming through the depths of psychologically deep Scorpio (which rules transformation), this year feels like a good time to make changes.



While Jupiter tends to be a “feel good” planet, it takes on the nature of the zodiac signs it transits. When the biggest celestial body in our solar system swims in the deep, dark waters of Scorpio, all things hidden will have a tendency toward expansion, and, therefore, exposure. Rather than risking overexposure, probing the mysteries of life by asking deep questions will lead to greater understanding this year.

By allowing a bit of exposure to those darkest parts of ourselves, the great luck of Jupiter will cushion us, like a big celestial pillow—if we use it well. A few inspired

New Year's Resolutions designed to harness the benefit of Jupiter will help us achieve many lofty goals. In that light, the following resolutions have been formulated according to each of the Sun-Signs to help readers prepare for success by making changes in the coming year. Keeping those changes intact will be bolstered with Jupiter in Scorpio, one of the most determined signs of the zodiac. This transit may require us to plumb the depths of our psyches. Those who are willing to reach inside and air a few secrets will make lasting changes for the benefit of all.



By Tien Starling

As for **Aries** individuals, the Celestial Ram takes affirmative action with celestial ease. This go-getter naturally sets goals. He's probably the first to arrive at any party. Aries loves to take the lead. He's known for being first, talking first, and thinking first. Setting goals will likely be easy for him. It's the sticking with it that Aries tends to forget, but with happy-go-lucky Jupiter in Scorpio (which enjoys a shared rulership of Mars), consider creating an exercise program in March. When Aries' birthday arrives, the Ram might extend his goal until the Sun transits Scorpio, starting in October. Sure, it's a while off, but the cerebral Ram will enjoy using his red marker to count the days while seeing his body and mind become more fit.

If physical fitness isn't the priority this year (although keeping trim will likely be on many of our lists, as no matter where Jupiter is, he likes to expand—waistlines and wallets), other areas for Aries in include reading books, doing crossword puzzles,

and seeing films that require deep thought and profound reflection. This won't pose a problem for Aries; he likes to think—and he's good at it. Any goals that get the synapses firing would be worth setting, such as taking classes, joining meet-ups that involve pensive activities, like chess and pondering new interests. It's the deepening of awareness through probing information that matters now.

Taurus often prefers to mull over her yearly resolutions rather than write them. With Jupiter opposing her Sun-Sign this year, the lovely Bull may have some stingers pointed in her direction. Add a goal of getting off the couch to get outdoors. Ruling the second house, Taurus may feel as though her self-worth is being nudged by Jupiter toward greater existence, bigger paychecks, and a better outlook on life. Any goal that gets Taurus outside will propel her in the direction of success.

Recall, Jupiter rules Sagittarius, the outdoorsiest of the signs. By taking that leap of faith, luck will likely follow the Bull. If she makes any sort of outdoor exercise a resolution, lucky Jupiter will help her at nearly every turn. Taurus knows her value. She just has to be willing to take action to make luck happen. At her core, the Celestial Bull knows she is worthy of all earth's luxuries. But with Jupiter primed in her opposite sign this year, she has to remember that she must take the initiative that will lead to greater success than she ever dreamed, if only she acts upon it.

As for **Gemini**, making resolutions is as easy as chatting with friends at the many parties he attends every New Year. It's the *remembering* of all the resolutions he's made that provides a challenge. But this year, with Jupiter gracing his sixth house of daily duties, Gemini may find celestial help in resolving to make lists and to check them off daily. By seeing plenty of chores completed on a daily basis, the Celestial Twins will fulfill Jupiter's lucky promise to make daily life easier in the sixth house (ruled by Mercury) all year long.

Other resolutions for airy Gemini might include jotting down writing ideas. Again, with lucky Jupiter jetting through the sixth house, literary endeavors of every sort would be worth pursuing. Witty Gemini might resolve to write a humorous book this year. Any goal that includes daily effort—even just a few minutes—will likely succeed for Gemini this year. Taking daily walks would clear the air for this multi-tasking sign. Make sure to have a recording device—digital or otherwise—on that list of resolutions. Having the tools ready to make literary dreams come true is a sure-fire way to make use of celestial friends in the sixth house.

Cancers sometimes wander around for days or weeks or

months considering what resolutions they might conjure up for the new year. Often the hostess of the party, the Celestial Crab likes to offer treats, such as homemade fortune cookies for guests to write down their hopes and dreams for the prospective year. Creative juices always flow in this watery sign. Ever the nurturer, she often forgets to make her own resolutions. To make sure she takes care of herself, the Crab must settle on a few goals and write them down.

Remembering to honor and cherish herself would be a nourishing addition to her list. With Jupiter in a fellow water sign, Cancer will feel rather lucky. She is smart to take advantage of Jupiter gracing her chart's fifth house by inviting kids and grandkids over to play. Including fun little surprises for herself and her offspring throughout the year would be a nice resolution for Cancer to remember that she tops the list of celestial mothers.

Her New Year's resolution won't be complete until she has a little "me time" to pamper herself in small or large ways—whether it's a hot cup of tea on the terrace or a relaxing stretch in the hammock. Cancer will benefit by treating herself like a fun-loving child while Jupiter is frolicking in her Leo-ruled fifth house. A splash in the pool would be a refreshing way to explore the depths of Scorpio in a playful



way, too; as would a bit of bodysurfing if the beach is near. Anyway she plays it this year, Cancer would be well served if a heaping dollop of good fun and play is added to her list.

Leo's list might include finding a new home or renovating home base this year. With Jupiter traveling through the Lion's fourth house, expanding horizons may be of paramount importance. If a move isn't on the horizon, perhaps he is making a move on another level. Some Leos will be entering middle school or high school. Others may be moving onto college. For any Leo, whether making a shift from home out into the workplace or beyond, moving out of the house, building a new abode, or redecorating will be on the minds of this fun-loving sign.

Resolutions that help the Lion feel comfortable at home would feel right for Leo this year. Ideas span painting the walls, browsing catalogues for items that stick within budget but feel expansive, and checking online to see about homes and apartments where lifestyles might be different from the current living situation. Keep in mind that Jupiter could expand clutter, too. So resolutions to clean and clear out on a regular basis will help the Lion feel more at home now, too.

The value of Leo's home may increase. So thoughts of selling could be on Leo's mind. Talking to real-estate agents could be an effective resolution to gather more information on that front. A cautionary note: Property debt could increase, so perhaps making payments a little higher than what's owed would help to pay down a mortgages. Any goals that reduce debt while increasing profits from home, including home-based businesses, would serve the regal Lion this year.

In all likelihood, **Virgo** has already written and rewritten the upcoming year's list of resolutions. As a matter of fact, the Celestial Virgin has probably crossed off

most of the items on that list. As this sign is so efficient, Virgo got a head start on the goals, so a new list already needs to be written. So be it for the perfectionist of the zodiac. We could all be a bit more perfect, but, then again, who would be there to clean up our obvious imperfections if Virgo didn't have that chore to check off her duty list? Being useful is imperative for the Celestial Maiden. *Staying useful requires maintenance.* So maintaining health and well-being *must* be on Virgo's list.

Of course, eating well and exercise are givens. The other part of that equation is the rest required to keep up with all that perfectionism. The mandatory item that Virgo often opts out of is rest and relaxation between chores. Virgo needs a reason for everything. Fine. Think of it this way: Just like an automobile needs a tune-up, people need time to read, take a stroll in the neighborhood, breathe fresh air,

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watch the clouds roll by, and say hello to the neighbors. With Jupiter knocking on your third-house's door, inviting a sibling along might be fun.

As much as it seems unproductive, Virgos would be healthier if her list included closing both eyes for a few minutes and breathing in—deeply—Jupiter in Scorpio's breath, the deeper the healthier. Taking time to recharge takes effort. Making time between chores to explore enjoyable ac-

tivities energizes Virgo for the next task. Notice how the body feels after it gets that spot of time to refresh. Yes, *feel* it...Jupiter in Scorpio feels big, so consider any attempt to feel as work required by the luckiest of planets in our solar system. Write these chores on your list of resolutions. When all your resolutions are checked off, you shall have a clean slate for next year's goals.

Libra's goals might well focus on expanding income this year. Rather than decide on exactly how the money will arrive, just write down something along the lines of "increase money consciousness" and "expand bank account to include new streams of revenue." With Jupiter passing through the second house of income and self-worth for the sign of the Celestial Scales, Libra is well poised to use lucky good vibes to feel better inside and out. Perhaps resolving to maintain a stable or reasonable weight would be a good idea, too.

Recall, Jupiter will expand waistlines as easily as debt. So goals that include paying bills on time and sticking to a healthful diet will help Libra find balance while Jupiter is in Scorpio. As a lofty, lighthearted, beauty-loving air sign, Libra doesn't always want to dig through the murky waters of meaning, but with Jupiter roaming through deep waters, the Celestial Scales might add "having deep, meaningful conversations" to the yearly list. This would help deepen connections by getting to know potential mates better, an idea partner-loving Libra loves, as this sign rules the seventh house of partnerships in the natural zodiac.

Scorpio rarely ever makes resolutions at New Year's. She finds setting such goals in public about as much fun as exposing herself on Main Street. No thanks! But this year, with Jupiter gracing her sign with a lucky charm, she might just shout out a few resolutions at this year's party. On her list, she might include keeping trim, having a makeover, and anything

that she's been hoping to achieve. Jupiter in her home sign will inspire Scorpio to take chances that would be far from ordinary.

Good goals to consider include any hopes at getting published (Jupiter rules the publishing industry,) as well as keeping her thighs firm, expanding her world view, and the resolution of any legal matters, all ninth-house Jupiter issues. While this sign cannot help but plumb the depths of thought, allowing for diverse views may be more palatable than in prior years. Seeing the greater truth—that we are all connected—even though many of us disagree about many things, may be a goal to adopt. We are all humans swimming in a deep sea of humanity. How deeply we connect is based on how we treat each other. Resolving to be kind no matter what would elevate Scorpio to new heights—only where eagles soar and the phoenix rises.

Any goals that help **Sagittarius** get to the bottom of the meaning of his dreams will provide true insight this year. Any interest in lucid dreaming would be well suited for this year. With Jupiter traveling through the murky twelfth house of dreams and all things hidden or unconscious, Sag will leap into—and out of—dreams with lucky alacrity and find his or her truth.

This year's list of star-inspired resolutions for the Archer might include getting enough sleep, exploring mysticism with a spiritual counselor, or seeking truth in dreams. Making leaps of faith comes naturally to the zodiac's Archer: finding the right mark at which to aim takes digging for truth. This is a perfect year to tap the hidden messages awaiting the Archer's arrow. Enjoy your dreams this year, Sag! In them, awaits the deep truth you seek.

Resolutions that increase the social networks that bolster and promote friendships will feel right for **Capricorn** this year. Whether for business or pleasure, the eleventh house will be the celestial home

of Jupiter as the New Year dawns in the Celestial Sea Goat's chart. Resolutions related to wishes, hopes, and engaging in online forums with like-minded people would be fitting for ambitious Capricorn's this year. By creating new friendships and expanding social networks, Capricorn harnesses and focuses Jupiter's lucky energy and helps make wishes and dreams come true.

Other resolutions for Cappy may include joining a club and hanging out with friends. Also of interest this year would be humanitarian efforts, like beach cleanups or bettering humankind will appeal. Spending time with friends helps the often too-serious Mountain Goat to lighten up with laughter. While Jupiter sprinkles luck in Cappy's house of friends, the Sea Goat might add splashing in the water where new friends might await.

Zany **Aquarius** will enjoy writing an actual list more than usual this year. Usually, making resolutions (just like everybody else, ugh!) sounds about as much fun as touching a bolt of lightning. So when this new year rolls around and the Water Bearer is reaching for a turquoise pen, it won't be a huge surprise. When career goals top the list, that won't come as a shock either. With the lucky planet at the top of the Water Bearer's chart, this brilliant air sign will get a lightning bolt of help from the heavens to bolster career.

For any Aquarians wanting to change jobs, now is the time to add career goals to this year's list. The career front will be charmed. For those who want to make a career move, Jupiter will gently guide you to new directions with wider horizons. Benefiting humanity is Aquarian's lifetime mission. So any career changes that involve saving the world will likely have positive results this year. Polishing resumes, writing fabulous cover letters, and joining career sites online would all be met with jovial, lucky Jupiter sitting at the top of the Water Bearer's chart.

Pisces will benefit from lucky Jupiter journeying through the ninth house of all things philosophical. At ease with the idea of a waterfall of thoughts, Pisces will enjoy adding things like learning a foreign language to this year's list of resolutions. Better yet, add to the list taking a few trips to far-off lands to practice those newly acquired language skills. Going back to school may appeal to the Celestial Fish, as will teaching. Higher education, distant travel, or anything that swims into interesting foreign waters will hook the zodiac's Fish.

Pisces may have a tendency to retain water this year. So watching salt might be a good idea. Since Pisces rules the feet, toes may be prone to bloat in a year of Jupiter swimming in the deep seas of Scorpio. Adding stretching exercises would be smart, too.

If the Celestial Fish is willing to swim into deep waters in the search of philosophical understanding, Pisces may evolve into an entirely new emergent being in human form. Mixing mystical Pisces with the transformative, healing waters of Scorpio while soaking up the luck of Jupiter may yield extraordinary results. Resolving to float in clean, crystal-clear waters of purified wonder would be a great addition to Pisces' list this year.

May each and every sign of the zodiac have a wonderful new year and enjoy the luck of Jupiter, no matter where that big, happy planet resides in your chart this year. Happy New Year! May the stars shine on you and illuminate all the wonder and beauty in your life!



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January's Planets and You



— by **BILL MERIDIAN** —

Last month, we began our eclipse analysis by taking a fresh look at the U.S.-Russia situation. As we have done with prior eclipse analyses, we now extend our scan to other world leaders and countries. But first, here is a list of the five eclipses in 2018.

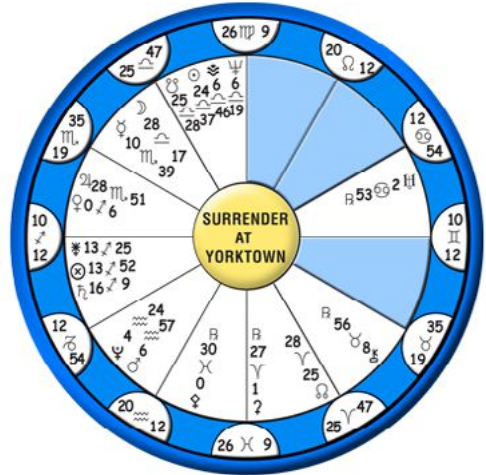
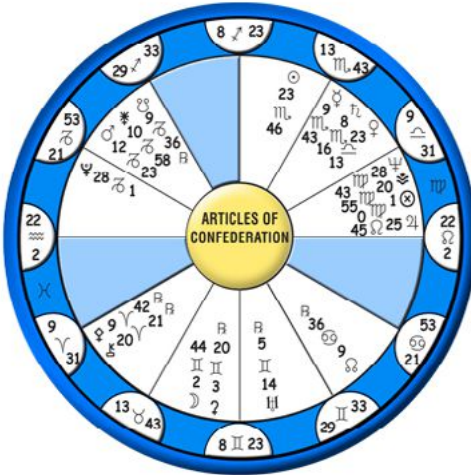


Type	Date	Degree
Lunar	January 31	11°37' Leo
Solar	February 15	27°08' Aquarius
Solar	July 12	20°41' Cancer
Lunar	July 27	4°45' Aquarius
Solar	August 11	18°42' Leo

The Solar Eclipse at 27° Aquarius opposes the Sun of former president Bill Clinton at 26° Leo. At his age, this eclipse may very well symbolize a health issue. Within three years, his progressed Sun will square his progressed Saturn. The eclipse squares his progressed Mercury-Mars conjunction. In his converse progressed chart, we see that the Sun will be conjunct Uranus over the next two months. This will likely be the beginning of a period during which the media are

likely to start reporting stories on his health. An eclipse opposing the Sun tends to highlight a person but also to knock the individual down in stature. The last time eclipses fell in this degree area was in 1999 when Clinton faced impeachment and conducted the air war in the Balkans. Curiously, his opponent then, President Slobodan Milosevic, was born with the Sun at 26° Aquarius, also catching the 1999 eclipse conjunct his Sun. Perhaps there will be revelations about that period that Clinton now will have to answer.

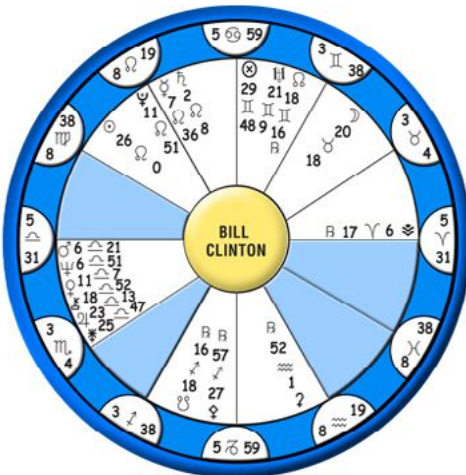
Looking at the U.S. base charts, we see the following. In the chart set for the British Surrender at Yorktown (October 17, 1781, at 10:00 A.M.), the January 31 Lunar Eclipse opposes the Mars-Pluto conjunction and squares Hades. Transiting Uranus is opposing the natal Sun, which was a Solar Eclipse. In my rectification of the U.S. charts, I noted that violent acts were well symbolized by hard aspects to these planets. Given the instability of transiting Uranus opposite the Sun and the opposition of February's Solar Eclipse to Trump's Mars, the chief executive will have to be alert and on guard. In the chart set for the Articles of Confederation (November 15, 1777, at 5:54 P.M. G.M.T.), the Solar Eclipse is semi-square natal Mars. This chart appears to have much to do with the agreement of

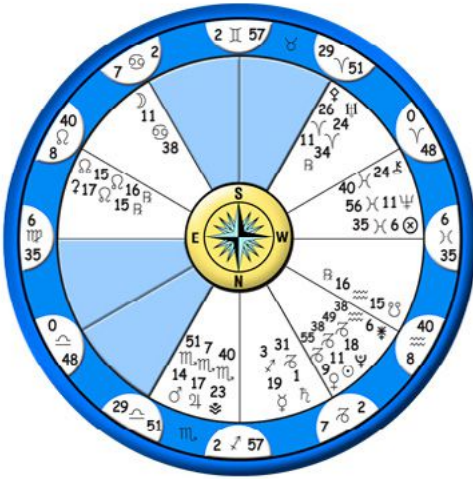


the states to unite. There has been talk of dissolution of the union and of the secession of certain states over sharp disagreements that are dividing the nation. This eclipse is likely to heighten tensions, but relief is on the way. Transiting Jupiter will go stationary retrograde on the Articles of Confederation Sun in March. In the last quarter of the year, Jupiter will transit over the Sun and the MC. Disagreements will likely be resolved by yearend.

The Lunar Eclipse highlights the horoscopes of two more notable Americans. It is conjunct the Sun of Barack Obama in

his sixth house. His Sun squares Neptune on one side and Hades on the other. His health may be in question. He will likely be back in the debate about the healthcare issue. The Lunar Eclipse also opposes the natal Sun of Congressman Paul Ryan. His Sun is in the third house and rules his ninth. At this point, let me add that Lunar Eclipses conjunct or opposite the Sun usually put one in the spotlight, but against one's will. It may bring notoriety that is not comfortable. It appears that Ryan is also dragged into the healthcare debate, caught between opposing factions.

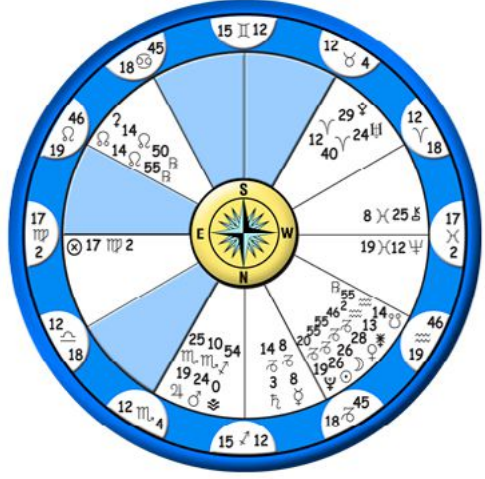




**Full Moon, January 1, 2018
Washington, D.C.**

In next month's column, we will conclude our eclipse analysis by analyzing prospects for foreign leaders and countries.

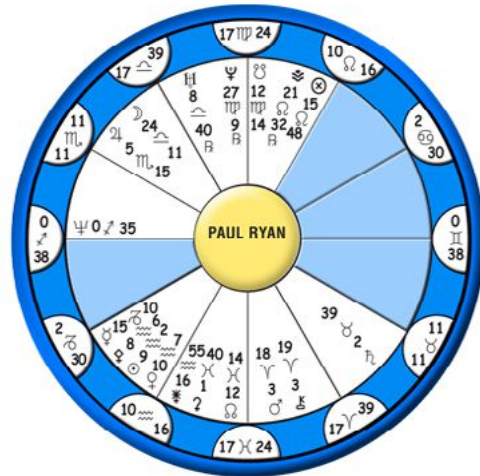
There is a Full Moon on the 1st at 9:25 PM. E.S.T. It occurs at 11°38' Cancer opposite Venus at 9°55' Capricorn and is right on the heliocentric node of Jupiter at 10° Cancer. It has a pleasant Venus-Jupiter fragrance, so it marks a favorable



**New Moon, January 16, 2018
Washington, D.C.**

time for social events and art. In mundane affairs, this is a good time to make agreements and treaties.

On the 16th at 9:18 P.M. E.S.T., a New Moon will occur at 27° Capricorn. It is conjunct Venus and square Uranus. In their personal lives, people may seek excite-



**Full Moon, January 31, 2018
Washington, D.C.**

ment through new recreations. Places of recreation may undergo changes. Relationships can be upset because people feel that they are bored or stuck in a rut. It is difficult to come to agreements or to make treaties. People do not want to be receptive.

On the 31st, there is a Full Moon Lunar Eclipse at 8:27 A.M. E.S.T. It falls in the sixth house in the chart for Washington, D.C. Given the contacts to the charts of Obama and Ryan outlined earlier, it appears that the healthcare debate is back at center stage. The eclipse is exactly conjunct Ceres, so nutrition and food quality are issues. It is on the Mars/Pluto and Mars/Zeus midpoints. The president may make moves to improve veterans' hospitals. An Astro*Carto*Graphy map of the Lunar Eclipse shows Mars and Jupiter on the MC through the heart of America, so the net result of the Lunar Eclipse is likely to be favorable for the country.



— **January 1-8 3rd Quarter** —
TEAMWORK IS TOUGH

Mars squares the Nodes from 15° Scorpio to 15° Leo/Aquarius on the 2nd. This is significant for two reasons. First, any activity at 15° of the fixed signs is equal (in 8th harmonic aspect) to the World Points at 0° of the cardinal signs. Any energy at such degrees finds expression directly in the world. Second, these degrees are square to the degree of last August's Lunar Eclipse (15° Aquarius) and this month's Lunar Eclipse. This aspect will take on extra energy and be more noticeable than the same aspect at other degrees. Mars-Node can symbolize cooperative work efforts. Great energy is available for work, but getting the required cooperation will be difficult. People have different needs as to what they expect from work. On the 4th, Mercury parallels Pluto and is 165 degrees from the Uranian planet Hades. Keep confidential information to yourself; its release can be

damaging. This is a good time, however, to explore the negative side of oneself with proper supervision. Hades-Pluto rules the depths of the personality. The 6th brings a Mars-Jupiter conjunction at 18° Scorpio; that is the best time of the month to begin any new venture.

— **January 8-16 4th Quarter** —
VENUS AND MERCURY LIGHT UP

On the 9th, there is a Sun-Venus-Pluto conjunction at 19° Capricorn. This can manifest in different ways. The latter two planets are well known for manifesting jealousy and possessiveness. Charles Jayne used to say that this combination leads to situations in which someone is tied to the apron strings or in which someone controls the purse strings. It is important to note and openly discuss such feelings as they arise. On another level, negotiations can be quite difficult. On the 11th, Mercury will be at 0° Capricorn. This is a great time if you wish to receive widespread reception for a book or a presentation, as the Winged Messenger is at one of the World Points; if you wish to keep a secret, however, this period will be difficult. Remember that there was a Mercury-Pluto conjunction at 0° Capricorn when the Bernie Madoff scandal broke. Around the 12th, under a combination of Sun-Venus-Mars-Pluto-Hades, we may read stories in the media about the scourge of human trafficking.

— **January 16-24 1st Quarter** —
EXERCISE CARE IN WORK AND RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES

On the 17th, Mars will be quincunx Uranus. Be careful when driving or operating equipment. We are more likely to feel rushed and thus can be distracted from giving full attention to activities. Avoid risky sidelines such as skydiving and hang gliding!

— **January 24-31 2nd Quarter** —
KEEP RETIREMENT AND OTHER FINANCIAL PLANS SECURE

On the 24th, Mercury and Pluto are

conjunct and semisquare the asteroid Vesta. This pair was conjunct when the Bernie Madoff scandal broke. This duo also tends to be present during stock-market crashes and financial crises. Vesta rules investments, so we can easily see this configuration's connection to financial considerations. Keep financial information close to your vest. Be careful with passwords and accounts, as well as in your dealings with accountants and financial advisors. You may discover that you have a tax liability.

— Jan. 31-Feb. 7 3rd Quarter —
LUNAR ECLIPSE WEEK

Events that develop within one week of an eclipse take on extra importance. Those that occur prior to the eclipse rarely work out as planned, while events occurring after the eclipse are simply more important. Matters developing on the day of an eclipse are especially fated. Avoid making major decisions the week prior to the eclipse; if you must make a decision or take action, you will eventually have to alter your plans significantly in order to reach your objective.



Some astrologers have noted that the circumstances of a person's death are often shown more clearly in the horoscopes of people close to a dying person than in the chart of the person himself. Is this because the loss of a loved one is more devastating to those left behind than to the one making this natural transition?



The South Node of the Moon is said to be karmic in nature. It is a negative influence representing the "easy way out." It denotes lessons we should already have learned. We are not meant to be broken, constantly relearning the same lessons over and over again during our lifetime. While the South Node represents karma, the North Node represents dharma. According to Webster, dharma is "conformity to one's duty and nature." Dharma has the connotation of individual responsibility, meaning that the individual is personally responsible to follow his true path of duty—and he is also responsible to seek his true spiritual growth and psychological development. Dharma is not the "easy way out," but rather the "mature way forward." The North Node shows what we would be or do if we were self-disciplined and not playing with the opportunities that come to us during our lifetime.

Book & Product REVIEW



— by CHRIS LORENZ —

EXCELLENCE IN ASTROLOGY

by Meira Epstein; self-published, <http://bear-star.com>; paper, 2017, 100 pp. (8.25" x 11"), price (per book) \$25.00.



So you want to be a professional astrologer? Many people who call themselves astrologers are charlatans or have only rudimentary knowledge of what astrology is all about.

And then there are those who can look at your chart and offer great insights, often more accurately than a psychotherapist could after many sessions. Problematically, mainstream society has little capacity for differentiating between the wannabees and the experts. However, several astrological organizations provide programs that lead to certification as a professional astrologer.

Meira Epstein is most closely associated with NCGR, one of these organizations. She has written four large-format, slim volumes that help the student prepare for the four levels of NCGR's certification program. NCGR is an acronym for the National Counsel of Geocosmic Research. In this review, we will look into the guide for Level 1, but for those who are interested, the contents of each is available here: [\[star.com/books_study_instructions.htm\]\(http://star.com/books_study_instructions.htm\).](http://bear-</p></div><div data-bbox=)

The sad truth is that within the astrological community we have no widespread agreement about what constitutes the core principles of our celestial art/science. For this reason, a number of competing organizations test for diverse sets of skills. In the United States, these include the AFA, AFAN, ISAR, OPA, and the most popular, NCGR. For an insightful, brief article on how these programs differ, see Armand Diaz's online essay here: <http://astrologynewsservice.com/opinion/is-your-astrologer-certifiable/>.

Epstein presents what students need to know to pass the NCGR exam, and this includes the astrological basics of knowing what the houses, signs, and planets mean. Additional fundamentals are taken from traditional astrology, ideas about how strong or weak a planet is in the various signs as well as classifying planets as being "malefic" or "benefic." At Level 1, students should be able to recognize chart patterns as established by Marc Edmund Jones. Epstein's guide follows the NCGR-PAA model, which is an offshoot of NCGR called the Professional Astrologers' Alliance. According to the author, this model is the "gold standard around the world."

A few modern additions round out the kind of astrology that has been around over the past century. These include mention of the four major asteroids and Chiron

as newly discovered objects of interest, although they are not described in any detail for the rest of the book. Robert Hand's influence is readily noticed in the NCGR program, since the teaching includes two formulas for the Part of Fortune that depend on whether the Sun is above (diurnal) or below (nocturnal) the horizon.

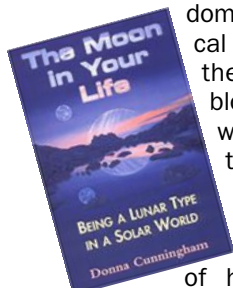
While many beginners know much of the material presented in Epstein's guide, very few will know how to construct a horoscope without the use of astrology software. The math can be quite complicated for those who are more intuitive than logical; but with good reason, NCGR tests

your ability to do this task. At 25 pages, the chapter on Natal Chart Calculations is the lengthiest, and the tools one needs include an atlas that shows time zones, an ephemeris, a table of houses, and a calculator to crunch the numbers.

The author works with a specially designed, hand-held device called the Sexagesimal calculator. It works with both decimals and degrees and will facilitate figuring out the exact location of each of the planets and the degrees on the twelve cusps. This is probably the main hurdle for passing NCGR's Level-1 exam, but Epstein gives a step-by-step explanation of how it's done.

THE MOON IN YOUR LIFE

by Donna Cunningham; Samuel Weiser Inc., PO Box 612, York Beach, ME 03910-0612; paper, 1996, 383 pp. (5.25" x 8.25"), \$15.95, ISBN 978-0-877288-37-4.



We will miss Donna Cunningham's wisdom and sage astrological advice. Collectively, the many articles, blogs, and books she wrote represent a treasure trove of sound astrology principles in action. Longtime readers of her column in Dell

HOROSCOPE were impressed with the accuracy of her interpretations, and often moved by the kindness she instilled in all her responses. Of the many books she wrote, perhaps the most personal as well as instructive, is about the Moon's influence in the natal horoscope.

Originally published in 1982 under the title *Being a Lunar Type in a Solar World*, the 1996 version—retitled *The Moon in Your Life*—has a substantial amount of additions and revisions, most of them about the Moon in astrological reference

sections. What's most interesting, and even pioneering, about this book is how she distinguishes her interpretations according to gender. In her introduction, she describes herself as a feminist with burnout, adding, "I no longer see women as a race of noble savages who'd be saints if freed, nor men as vile oppressors." Still, the older, wiser 1996 version thematically centers on the challenges of being a lunar type in a male-dominated solar world.

And perhaps uniquely in the United States, the people have a built-in contradiction or paradox concerning the lunar type. The U.S. national horoscope features four planets in emotional Cancer, but the Moon is in cool, intellectual Aquarius. This makes the emotional, dependent needs of the Cancer planets difficult to express. Cunningham attributes this setup to all the national stress, eating disorders, and parenting difficulties Americans experience on a daily basis. Each of these problem areas gets a chapter in *The Moon in Your Life*.

Much of the narrative concerns widespread social conditions and offers advice about how to cope with the demands of the dominant culture,

depending on the conditions of your natal Moon or the outer-planet transits to your natal Moon. The author adds flower remedies for each potential condition that is suggested by the Moon's placement.

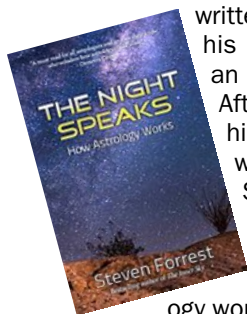
Perhaps one of the most profound chapters is titled "Mars and the Male Mystique," in which Cunningham points out the widespread social problem of men who can't deal with their emotions in a healthy way. She cites a number of startling statistics, including how men are responsible for some 80 percent of serious crimes, and 90 percent of the murders. She shows how the Moon works well in some men's charts, such as that of Nelson Mandela, who she describes as a

"lunar hero." It didn't work so well in O. J. Simpson's chart, which she examines in more detail. We wouldn't have all this violence "if men [would] take care of their Moons rather than ignore them."

But mostly, *The Moon in Your Life* is a thoughtful, detailed, and wide-ranging astrology guide for women and their lunar issues. She covers emotional habits, healing "the mother knot," the passage into parenthood, menopause, and "Moonquakes," which is when outer-planet transits activate your Moon. Reference sections on tracking the Moon's daily cycle as well as using the Moon to better understand life's major transitions make this a great volume to keep nearby.

THE NIGHT SPEAKS: HOW ASTROLOGY WORKS

by Steven Forrest; Seven Paws Press, PO Box 82, Borrego Springs, CA 92004; paper, 2016, 260 pp. (5" x 8"), \$14.95, ISBN 978-1-939510-92-1.



Of the many excellent astrology books written by Steven Forrest, his personal favorite is an unexpected choice. After hitting it big with his first three books, which he calls the Sky Trilogy, Forrest turned away from "how to" books to write a "why astrology works" extended essay. It was first published in 1993 as *The Night Speaks* and was recently reissued with a few updates.

The Night Speaks offers a wide range of views, some of them personal, but mostly scientific explanations, and analogies and metaphors to illustrate where the linear thinking scientists can't go. For the most part, this 2016 version is the same as the original with two significant changes.

Perhaps the most interesting of these is the retrospective look at the Uranus-Neptune conjunction of 1993, the same year *The Night Speaks* first appeared. Otherwise, the explanations about how and why astrology works are just as relevant today as they were back then.

And sadly, most astrologers find themselves in the same predicament as Forrest described himself. As astrologers, we are frequently classified as fringe loonies, dealing in a pseudoscience and missing some essential facts about the way the universe works. But these opinions generally come from people who have never studied astrology. Forrest laments the fact that he gets no respect from mainstream society even though he has many famous clients as well as ordinary people from all walks of life who get on a long waiting list for his consultations.

The Night Speaks was written to demonstrate that "astrology is intellectually plausible and spiritually healthy." The basic problem for the astrological community is that it operates on a different paradigm than the dominant culture: astrologers believe that we live in a meaningful universe. Well after this book was

written, Richard Tarnas echoed this idea by calling it “an enchanted universe.” As Forrest explains it, this underlying assumption is subversive territory to the scientists with their mechanistic worldview.

So the first evidence he gives to demonstrate that we humans here on planet Earth are influenced by what happens out there in the cosmos is the sunspot cycle and its correlation to the global mood. At the peak of the sunspot cycle, approximately every 11 years, people feel unusually tense, excited, and eager to respond *en masse*. This creates a peak in wars and other geopolitical transformations, which Forrest details by listing the historical correlations.

The next chapter reviews the statistical studies published by Michel and Françoise Gauquelin, and the harsh criticisms from outsiders, notably the CSICOP (The Committee for Skeptical Inquiry) group. It is a sad tale of how demonstrable facts that support astrology are “disproven” by hacks who call themselves scientists. The author summarizes those who criticize astrology’s validity: “The bias functions on an unconscious level, driving them toward otherwise inexplicable behaviors—behaviors that are characterized by denials, anger, inappropriate assumptions of authority, and illogic.”

For those with an open mind, the subsequent chapters explain how color, sound, and astrology all follow the same fundamental laws. Astrology’s twelve signs provide the same kind of organization as the color wheel or spectrum of visible light. The seven basic tones in an octave correspond to the seven visible planets. In the chapter called “The Wheel of Signs,” Forrest offers some brief outlines of how each sign’s archetypal pattern relates to a color and tone as well as an underlying story.

The last few chapters bring out the best explanations of how astrology actually works. After some discussion of the influence of the Moon’s tides and how the plan-

ets’ magnetic-field strengths may influence humans, a curious *non sequitur* to this line of reasoning pops up. What about horary astrology? There’s no receiving organism getting any magnetic rays from the planets. The planets can’t act on anything since there’s nothing for them to touch. It’s just a question, and in the hands of a capable astrologer, brings amazing insights. This apparent paradox leads to a discussion on synchronicity, quantum physics, and the holographic universe.

So the scientific worldview does have several branches that strongly support astrology; it is just that the rest of the uneducated masses haven’t reached that point of understanding yet. And, in fact, most astrologers don’t have the theoretical background to explain these advanced theories either, but you’ll get a good introduction in *The Night Speaks*.

Perhaps the best section is the addition of a look backwards at what has happened since 1993 and the Uranus-Neptune conjunction that kicked off an historic shift. Forrest refers to the time before 1993 and the time after as the digital divide: “In the post-Uranus/Neptune digital age, identity is becoming non-local.”

The digital revolution has actually fragmented society so that people are organized into like-minded groups with similar ideals rather than geographically. Of course, the digital revolution has brought a surge in popularity of astrology, especially the kind that goes beyond Sun-Signs. And the advent of astrology software has erased the need to know the mathematics of setting up a horoscope. Still, astrologers only talk to the astrologically savvy, and scientists stand outside and continue to criticize. In that sense, nothing has really changed.



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THE ASTROLOGICAL EDGE

MONTHLY FORECAST FOR ALL SIGNS

— by STEPHANIE SHEA —

This month, bookended by Full Moons, offers a uniquely energizing beginning to 2018. The second of these Full Moons, in Leo and occurring on the 31st, is a Lunar Eclipse that will give us the chance to continue the emotional growth we initiated during the eclipses of August 2017. Though the “shadow phase” of retrograde Mercury (December 3 to 22, 2017) will be in effect during the first week of the month, after the 6th we’ll be in the clear to initiate new ideas. For best results with New Year’s resolutions, wait until the prime wishing hours following the Capricorn New Moon on the 16th. (Refer to the New Moon section of this column for more details.)



The emotional energy will be elevated this month, which could create feelings of instability. People craving routine and a sense of control may struggle with this month’s astrological climate, as we’re scheduled for a growth spurt that will

push us beyond our comfort zone. Our success will hinge on our ability to be flexible and embrace change. We’ve finally entered the last throes of the Uranus-Pluto square, which will linger in an orb of five to seven degrees between now and May 2018. This transformational aspect has been the backdrop to world politics as well as our personal lives since 2011, when Uranus established a foothold in Aries. Since then, we’ve seen events play out that illustrate the conflict between oppressive systems and authority figures (Pluto in Capricorn) and people demanding human rights and individual freedom (Uranus in Aries). With Uranus stationing direct on the 2nd, we can expect any passionate feelings we have been cultivating to seek external expression.

Fortunately, some of the discord caused by the Uranus-Pluto square will be tempered by a favorable trine between Jupiter and Neptune that will encourage spiritual connection, compassion, idealism, and humanitarian efforts. Jupiter will also sextile Pluto all month, creating an optimistic environment for business development.

URANUS STATIONS DIRECT, FUELING THE FINAL STAGES OF THE URANUS-PLUTO SQUARE

On the 2nd, Uranus will station direct, ending a retrograde cycle that began on August 3, 2017. While Uranus was retrograde, our attention was directed toward our inner world. The past five months have

been a useful time to examine feelings of anger, restlessness, and rebellion. Worldwide, tensions have been simmering, and in the coming months, we could see some situations “boil over.” Now that Uranus is direct, the final stages of the Uranus-Pluto square will be activated. Between now and mid-May 2018, when this aspect concludes, we could witness conflicts escalating between citizens and established systems such as governments, corporations, police, or organized religion.

Pluto in Capricorn represents authority and traditional structures; however, Pluto also acts as an agent of change by showing us facets of existing systems that are corrupt and out of date. Fast-acting Uranus in Aries is unpredictable and often heralds necessary changes in an unsettling way. For most of Uranus’ journey through this sign over the past seven years, it’s been working with Pluto to speed up transformational processes on a global level. Long-standing problems that have been covered up have become more visible, creating the impression that things are getting worse. But, in reality, we’re just being shown what needs to change and the airing of these unpleasant truths will be the key to improving our situation.

JUPITER-NEPTUNE TRINE OFFERS SPIRITUAL GUIDANCE

Jupiter in Scorpio will continue to trine Neptune in Pisces this month. Although this trine is becoming looser, it will continue to lend a calming vibration to the turbulent astrological atmosphere this month. As the energy ramps up toward the Lunar Eclipse on the 31st, the emotional intensity will be palpable. The Jupiter-Neptune trine, however, will remind us of our capacity to love unconditionally. We will be able to feel our connection to other humans and a power higher than ourselves. We are likely to experience more messages from artists, spiritual leaders, and human-rights organizations that empha-

size the power that becomes available when humans come together and leave their cultural differences aside.

This trine will be most powerful during the first half of the month, when it provides an excellent opportunity for individuals to receive spiritual guidance and recognize forces beyond our earthly existence. We are being called to keep the faith and trust the innate goodness of humankind. Use this time to release judgmental feelings and keep an open mind to positive possibilities.

JUPITER-PLUTO SEXTILE OFFERS FAVORABLE BUSINESS CLIMATE

Jupiter and Pluto will be in a beneficial sextile all month, offering support for business growth and financial opportunity. Businesses that include idealism as part of their company’s mission will be well positioned to expand their influence. New business ideas will be supported after the 6th and will get an energetic boost at the Capricorn New Moon on the 16th.

This will be a good month to mentor others or enroll in an educational program to advance career goals. It will be a favorable time to interview for new jobs and make a good impression on authority figures. Bold steps taken toward more freedom and/or leadership roles in our professional lives will be supported.

LUNAR ECLIPSE IN LEO LIGHTS A PATH FOR OUR HEART

January concludes with a powerful Lunar Eclipse at 11° Leo, which is within three degrees of the North Node. This eclipse will shift our awareness to an emotional truth that needs to be acknowledged. Leo is a sign that symbolizes love, romance, creativity, childlike wonder, and relationships to children in our lives. Because this eclipse is conjunct the North Node, it will direct our attention toward our heart’s desire and life purpose. If we’ve been on path, this can be a time when we

will see the results of our efforts; however, for those who need to take charge of their destiny, this eclipse can be a strong wake-up call.

On a global level, we are likely to see the direction our world is headed more clearly. When out of balance, Leo is a sign known for being overly dramatic. World events could evoke strong emotional reactions. We are likely to be shown an exaggerated picture of situations that need to be addressed. We can make best use of this illuminating eclipse by receiving the information it offers, then reacting in a logical, methodical manner.

MERCURY IN CAPRICORN SUPPORTS LONG-TERM STRATEGIES

Mercury will ingress into Capricorn on the 11th, which will help us to focus our thoughts on long-term strategies. Now that Mercury is direct, we will be in a great position to implement new ideas. From January 1 to 10, while Mercury is in Sagittarius, we will be mentally active and exploring our available options. During the rest of the month, we will begin to get practical about actualizing our visions and prioritizing the best use of our time and energy. This type of thinking will remind us of the power we hold to steer our thoughts and actions. We will be feeling strong and in control, but we will need to direct our authority toward our own lives and avoid thinking that we know what's best for other people.

VENUS IN AQUARIUS: A DIFFERENT KIND OF LOVE

On the 17th, Venus will ingress into Aquarius, shifting our outlook regarding love and money. Between the 1st and 16th, while Venus is in Capricorn, security will be our main objective. During the first two weeks of the month, we will feel the need to get clear about our finances and/or relationships. If we have been wearing rose-colored glasses, Venus in

Capricorn will be happy to remove them for us and turn on the bright lights. By getting a realistic picture of where things stand, we will feel more confident making decisions about the future. From the 17th to the end of the month, while Venus is in Aquarius, we will continue to be forward thinking; however, the innovative nature of Aquarius will allow us to open our minds to unconventional ideas. We will value our freedom and the right to change our minds. We are in store for excitement and inspiration when we follow the call of Venus in Aquarius for spontaneity in our love relationships.

MARS IN SAGITTARIUS PUTS IDEAS INTO ACTION

On the 26th, Mars will move into Sagittarius, helping us to take confident action. During most of the month, Mars will be in Scorpio, which is useful for analyzing our options and moving forward with calculating precision. By the end of the month, however, we could feel the need to pick up the pace. Mars in Sagittarius will allow us to access our optimism and make a move without getting bogged down in the minutiae. A "learn as you go" attitude will prevail, allowing us to get existing ideas off the ground. We will be most successful when we let go of the need to have everything perfectly organized before beginning a project. Trust that the groundwork laid during the time Mars was in Scorpio provided adequate research and preparation. The last week of January will be the ideal time to test our theories by putting our ideas into action.

TAKE CHARGE WITH THE CAPRICORN NEW MOON

This month's NEW MOON will be in CAPRICORN, which makes it an ideal time to set intentions related to long-term security, handling responsibility, career goals, gaining recognition, management skills, and releasing controlling tenden-

cies. The information below comes from Jan Spiller's book, *New Moon Astrology*:

Every month, on the day of the New Moon, the energy in the atmosphere opens to receive new seeds. For centuries, farmers have used New Moon cycles for planting their crops, and we can use the same potent energy for stating our dreams and goals. To use a New Moon POWER DAY, simply write down, by hand, a maximum of ten wishes or goals that you would like to manifest in your life.

Since January's New Moon occurs in Capricorn, this month's New Moon power period is an especially potent time to make wishes in areas ruled by Capricorn. Among other areas, Capricorn holds dominion over being sensible, time management, keeping commitments, adult behavior, and respect.

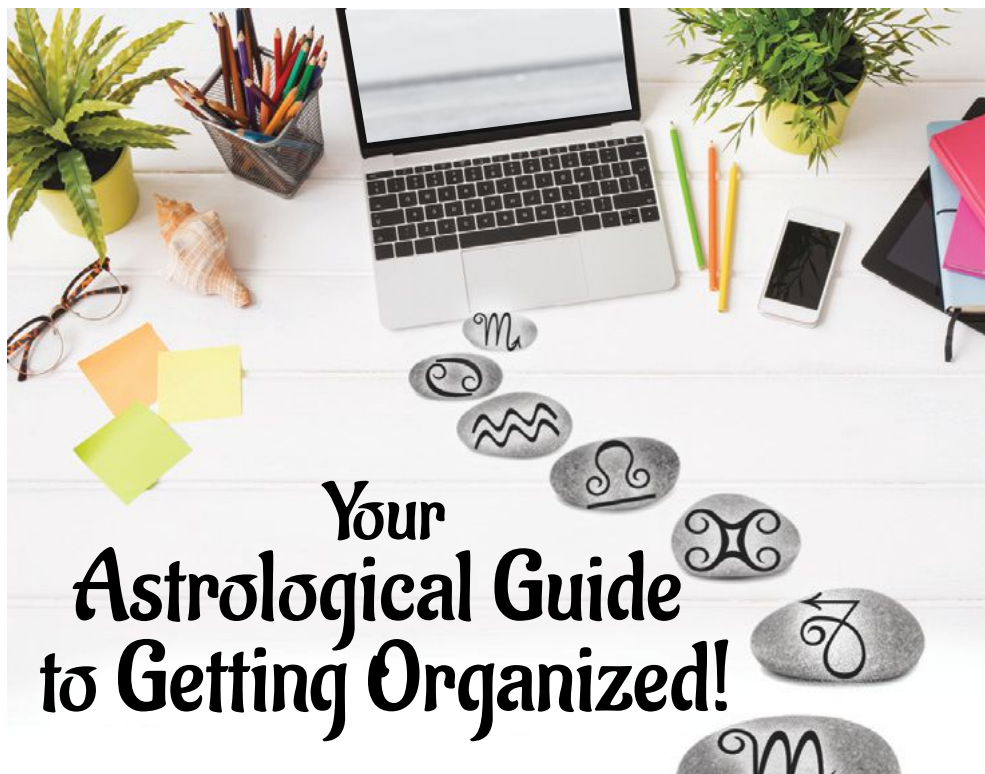
Sample wishes: "I want to easily find myself successfully taking charge in the area of _____"; "I want to easily find myself keeping my commitments"; "I want to easily find myself listening to the authority of my inner being"; "I want clear vision in seeing how I can heal my relationship with my father"; "I want to easily find myself following traditional routes leading to success"; "I want to easily find myself making sensible decisions that lead to my reaching my goal of _____"; "I want to easily find myself consciously using my time to further goals that are important to me"; "I want to easily find myself filled with the energy of ambition"; "I want all resistance to

reaching my goal of _____ totally lifted from me"; "I want clarity in seeing how to most successfully proceed in order to realize my ambitions in my career."

This month's New Moon occurs on the 16th at 9:18 PM. Eastern Standard Time. The first 8 hours after the exact time of the New Moon are the most powerful for wishing, but up to 24 hours later will still work. For the exact best times for writing your wishes during any month's New Moon, check out www.janspiller.com within the three days prior to each New Moon.



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Your Astrological Guide to Getting Organized!

By Dikki-Jo Mullen

Sometimes, working at home as a writer, I feel overwhelmed by pieces of paper, large and small. The same is true of pens and reference books. When the stacks are tall enough to cast shadows, I grow claustrophobic and flee to the public library. There I can work in a spacious, orderly, and ideal if somewhat sterile world.



After a few days of this, some hovering angel invariably motivates me to toss out the debris and arrange things into a tolerable semblance of order. Once again my own office is more comfortable. Sometimes this miracle is accomplished after watching an episode of the cable television show *Hoarders—Buried Alive*. The specter of being consumed by too many possessions until they begin to bury me is as haunting as a recurrent nightmare.

It often becomes a reality for many people. A local newspaper published a story a while back describing how several times each month individuals, as well as families, are discovered living miserably, buried in mounds of unhealthy squalor. On a Saturday morning recently, I took refuge at the library after feeling particularly overwhelmed by an accumulation of items. It was late winter, and I was having an especially hard time gathering the fortitude

to cope with what my surroundings had become. The head librarian suddenly interrupted the silence and reverie with an announcement. A free class was being offered in just a few minutes in the activities room about how to organize one's life. On an impulse I decided to attend. It was a surprise to see that the room was already full. I was fortunate to get a seat. Many more library patrons seemed to be interested in this topic than I ever would have guessed. The speaker, a professional organizer, was wonderfully enter-

guide to use in experimenting with organizing your own life. I used *The Rulership Book* by Rex E. Bills as a reference in identifying the seven steps in organization with their proper astrological rulers.

STEP ONE (JUPITER) "SUCCESS BEGINS WITH SETTING BOUNDARIES"

The planet Jupiter brings success. Consider Jupiter by transit as well as natal placement in choosing a boundary. This defines the area to start organizing. A

Jupiter affliction can point to something that's too much or too large. A wrong choice here assures failure. Consider how much time and energy you have to invest. Which area seems to be calling out to be organized? Perhaps it's just a single drawer or bookshelf. The average

garage will consume two or three days, while the average kitchen usually requires six to eight hours of work. Plan to be able to stop when you get tired. Don't overreach in selecting an overly large initial goal. Once a place to begin is selected and you begin, don't leave the area until the organization process is completed.

STEP TWO (MERCURY) "PAIR LIKE ITEMS"

Mercury can be related to twin or similar items. If organizing a closet, for example, put all of the slacks together in one stack. Sort sweaters or shoes into separate stacks, and so forth. If organizing an office, sort the paper clips, envelopes, etc., into individual piles. If a totally different odd item, say a roll of holiday wrapping paper, surfaces, set it aside to put away later. Don't leave the area to move the wrapping paper somewhere else or you're likely to get distracted and lose focus. Use positive language while speaking about belongings. Instead of calling them

Here are the seven steps along with the astrological correlations I drew. Ideally, the natal horoscope provides a map to follow leading to a successful life. Take a glance at the seven visible bodies in your own natal horoscope. They can be a guide to use in experimenting with organizing your own life.

taining and informative. She first spoke of the benefits and pleasures of a well-organized environment. She then described how to achieve this ideal. The presentation was titled *Success in Seven Steps*. To me, this immediately suggested the influences of the seven visible heavenly bodies (the Sun, Moon, Mercury, Venus, Mars, Jupiter, and Saturn) in traditional astrology. During the week that followed, keeping both the transits and my natal chart in mind, I tried the seven-steps technique. I was delighted at how well it worked. The seven steps actually became a path leading to a light and bright, more well-organized environment. The goal is similar to an astrological consultation that uses the horoscope as a tool for lifestyle improvement in a variety of ways.

Here are the seven steps along with the astrological correlations I drew. Ideally, the natal horoscope provides a map to follow leading to a successful life. Take a glance at the seven visible bodies in your own natal horoscope. They can be a

a bunch of junk or worse, give thanks for having them when they were needed. Then think of releasing them in divine order with a smile of farewell.

STEP THREE (THE SUN) "ASSERT AUTHORITY: MAKE DECISIONS"

The Sun-Sign shows where an individual shines. The source of life and vitality, the Sun represents autonomy. In getting organized this means being the boss of your things rather than being ruled by them. Look at all of the piles and ask yourself how long it's been since you've used an item. Is it a favorite? How do the things make you feel? For example, if in sorting through a closet, say, you find ten plaid skirts. One has a hole, another a broken zipper. Another might not have ever fit well. You can't remember the last time you wanted to wear two others of them. Select the favorites and gradually begin to say "bye-bye" to the others. Perhaps you can donate them and bless someone else.

STEP FOUR (VENUS) "TAME YOUR STUFF INTO PEACE AND HAPPINESS"

Belongings are supposed to enhance our lives. Treasured possessions should bring peace and happiness, not become a burden. Analyze where items should "live." Where, when, and how are they used? Find a friendly space for them. "A place for everything and everything in its place" is a traditional axiom that addresses this step. For an artist, keeping paints and other supplies in a pantry near a nook used as an art studio might make more sense than storing them in a distant upstairs closet. Instead of hauling the art supplies up and down every time when they are put away, only to have to take them out again, the temptation is to just leave them strewn all over. On the other hand, tucking away seasonal decorations, used just once a year, say for Halloween, in the remote closet

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et can make perfect sense. Analyze what you most need for what you do most of the time. Then keep those items at the easiest place to access.

STEP FIVE (THE MOON) "USE CONTAINERS"

All types of containers are ruled by the Moon. The professional organizer at the library presentation suggested rounding up odd baskets, bags, and also small boxes, such as the ones originally containing jewelry and bank checks. Usually plenty of containers are readily found. Rarely, plastic storage boxes can be purchased. Select clear rather than opaque ones so that the items inside can be seen and easily located as needed. Containers are essential and become wonderful tools for arranging like items to be kept in the allotted space.

STEP SIX (MARS) "PARTICIPATION"

Mars involves assertiveness and taking action. At this point, it's time to move. Participate in making the final choices regarding the process of organization. Decide what to keep and what to release. Justify what an item represents. Does it serve you? In the case of inherited items, think about the sentimental value. Is it something you truly love? If so, then certainly keep it. However, if, say, you have Great Uncle Hank's wobbly card table that you never liked and he passed away twenty years ago, ask yourself whether he would really care anymore if you let it go.

STEP SEVEN (SATURN) "FINALITY"

Saturn rules both hoarding and organization, as well as finalization. Analyzing Saturn both in the natal chart and by transit can provide insights into what is happening in your life concerning the need to organize and use your stuff to best advantage. It's time to be honest about whether the goal has been accomplished.

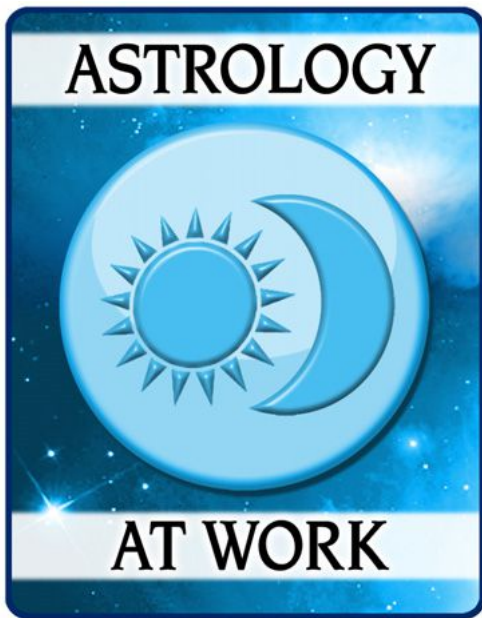
Have you truly followed the steps and succeeded in organizing your life? Has anything been left undone? Has the time and effort invested been worthwhile? If not, a reality check is needed. Try making an appointment with yourself. Select a favorable time to try again. Make a firm date with yourself and reserve it on your calendar. With patience and effort it is possible to have a more productive and happy life through becoming organized.

In selecting an electional (or event) chart in organizing your life, the Moon's position is very important. The Moon always governs changes. A waning Moon encourages release. Much of the process of organization will involve release. Consider beginning at a time when the Moon is transiting its natal place. Remember that the fourth house rules the end of the matter in an event chart. A well-aspected planet placed in the fourth and/or a fourth-house ruler that is well aspected will be helpful. Plan to begin the process of organization with cardinal or mutable signs ruling the angular (first, fourth, seventh, and tenth) houses. Cardinal signs promote action and mutables will support the process of change. Avoid fixed angles, as they show a tendency to hold on and remain the same. Make certain that the Ascendant ruler in the electional chart you select for getting organized is direct. A retrograde Ascendant ruler can lead to regrets and frustration.

Finally, consider which of the seven steps seems the most challenging to you. Then, as you prepare to get organized, pay special attention in interpreting what that planet or luminary indicates in your natal horoscope as well as by transit. This will reveal deeper insights into what is needed to reach the goal of living a well-organized life.



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—by **EILEEN MCCABE, MSW**—

ABANDONED BY HER HUSBAND

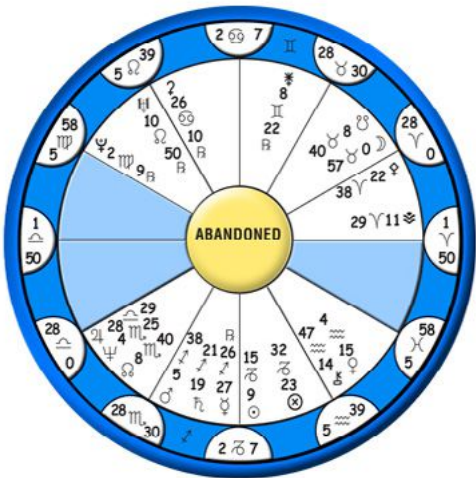
Dear Eileen, My husband abandoned me and financial responsibilities pertaining to property, taxes, and mortgages, etc. I have had no monetary support for eight years. I live on a low income, and it has been rough for many years now. I am anxious to bring this marriage to an end legally and would like to know if I will be able to sell the house and move so that I can restart my life. In general, I would also like some advice on future career opportunities and whether or not I will ever have a soul mate relationship. I was born December 30, 1957, 11:29 P.M. E.S.T., 40N49/74W17.



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You mention in your letter that your husband abandoned you around seven years ago, which would be around 2010. During that time, transiting Saturn came to make a conjunction with your Libra Ascendant, which was the end of your marriage but the beginning of a new life on your own. When Saturn moves through the first three houses of the natal horoscope, it usually indicates a time of having to rebuild one's personal life from scratch, literally. It has taken seven years for Saturn to complete its transit through these houses that define one's identity, one's financial life, and one's relationships and environment.

With transiting Saturn just now beginning to move through your fourth house of home and family, a transit that will continue through 2020, your focus now must be on the foundation of your life and making decisions about where you should live and where you belong. Your natal Sun in Capricorn in the fourth house indicates that you need to have security and stability in your life and that your home is very important to you. While your natal planets in Sagittarius reveal you to be a restless individual with many varied interests, you need to feel rooted and part



of either a biological family or a family of friends and associations.

Starting in around the spring of 2018 and continuing through December 2018, transiting Saturn in Capricorn will be making a conjunction with your natal fourth-house Sun. With your Sun ruling your eleventh house, this transit will compel you to make some concrete decisions as to the future of your life. Perhaps you will want to move into a more community-style living situation or move to be near friends. With your natal Saturn in Sagittarius, you may even decide to move to another state or simply move to another neighborhood that is more in alignment with your various interests. Whatever you decide, the time coming up is when you need to set new goals and priorities and work toward establishing a new foundation. This Saturn transit may also enable you finally to obtain your divorce, as Saturn to the Sun can mean the karmic ending of this particular relationship.

While Jupiter in Libra in your second house can indicate a sense of protection when it comes to finances, Saturn transiting there during 2012-14 was definitely a very challenging time when it came to financial survival. Also, you have had transiting Pluto in Capricorn in your fourth house for the past nine years, which has also caused a major change in your personal life and has made your domestic life an all-or-nothing proposition. While Saturn transits are never easy, the present transit of Saturn to your Sun will help you to gain more clarity as to what you need to do to have a more secure home life down the road. With transiting Jupiter now moving through your second house of finances and continuing there up through October 2018, you should be able to make some extra money, which could then give you a more secure financial cushion. If you would like to sell your home, this transit may actually help you to do that and to make the money you need to change your life.

Starting in May 2018 and continuing through October 2018, transiting Uranus in Taurus will be making a conjunction with your Moon in the eighth house of shared resources. While it is not easy for someone with a natal Moon in Taurus to make changes in their lives, this transit could manifest as very sudden and unexpected events that could precipitate a complete change in residency. With your natal Uranus in Leo in your eleventh house, you may receive assistance from a friend or suddenly move into a new community. Whatever occurs, you can expect a radical change that will enable you to finally let go of the past. You may even join forces with someone else who affords you the opportunity to move into a new environment. This aspect could also suggest a sudden new employment opportunity, given that the Moon rules your tenth house of career. The contact of Uranus to your Taurus Moon may signify that you begin to make your money in a new way. The aspect will also reoccur in the spring of 2019, so if you don't make changes right away this upcoming year, change will definitely occur the following year! The transit of Uranus in Taurus will also make a favorable trine to your Sun in Capricorn throughout 2020, also suggesting that you will be making some positive changes in your life so that you can begin to feel freer and more independent.

You had your second Saturn Return in Sagittarius at the end of 2016, which was also a time of reevaluating your life and how you wish to live the rest of it. While the transit of Saturn in Sagittarius during 2016-17 was about creating a new vision for the future, the present Saturn in Capricorn transit is about giving it manifestation. While you have a Capricorn Sun, you also have three planets in Sagittarius in the third house. So you are traditional in many ways, but you are also a very open-minded individual who probably has many different hobbies and interests. You love to be at home, but you also like to be out

and about and need much personal freedom. Your natal Venus in Aquarius indicates that friendship is important to you and that you enjoy meeting people of different backgrounds and lifestyles. When it comes to the home front, however, you need to be in charge of your life and you value your ancestral heritage.

The South Node in the natal horoscope symbolizes the past, while the North Node represents the path we must follow in order to fulfill our personal destiny. With your South Node in Taurus along with your Moon in Taurus in your eighth house of shared resources, this is one area of your life that can bring challenging experiences. You mention that your husband took all the money you had between the two of you and left you with no financial backing. Your North Node in Scorpio in your second house implies that the most transformational experiences for you will occur through taking control of your own financial life and not depending on other people for your monetary sense of security. It is often through disappointment, indicated by where we have the South Node, that we finally reach for the truth of our North Node. The more control you have of your life, the better you will feel on every level.

Given the upcoming transits, you are definitely going to be working toward bringing one phase of life to an end so that a new life can emerge from the ashes of the past.

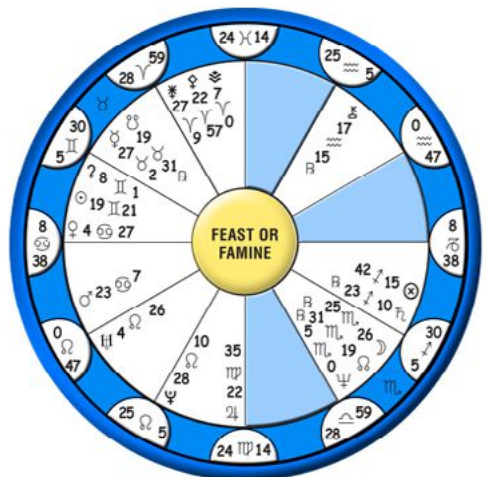
FEAST OR FAMINE

Dear Eileen, I would appreciate your insight into the placement of Uranus in my second house. Throughout my life, it has been feast or famine when it comes to finances. In 1991, I became interested in the “self-help” movement in order to understand myself. Spending money trying to educate myself, however, has caused me to experience financial problems. I met an astrologer/teacher/guide on whom I spend a great deal of money, and this has

also caused me to lose a grip on my finances. I have learned a lot about myself and am finally taking responsibility. But now I would appreciate any insight you have about moving forward with my life. I was born June 10, 1957, at 6:40 A.M. C.S.T., 30N40/93W54.

You are absolutely right that Uranus in the second house can manifest as many ups and downs when it comes to your financial life. With Uranus ruling your ninth house of higher education, religion, and philosophy, it is also understandable that you would spend money on mind-expanding interests. Uranus is also one of the rulers of your eighth house, which suggests that you also incurred financial debt at the same time. You also have the sign Leo on your second-house cusp with the Sun, Leo’s ruler, in Gemini in your twelfth house. Though this indicates that you made a monetary investment in seeking spiritual counsel, you perhaps undermined yourself by ignoring the status and reality of your own finances. You certainly meant well, as you were trying to find the knowledge you needed to change and transform your consciousness.

Over the last two-and-a-half years, you have been experiencing both your second



Saturn Return and transiting Saturn in Sagittarius making an opposition to your natal Gemini Sun. While Uranus is about taking risks, Saturn is the planet that always brings us back down to reality. These Saturn transits over the last two years have most likely caused you to reevaluate your life and enabled you to set new priorities. With Saturn ruling your seventh house of other people, these Saturn transits may have also caused you to set boundaries and/or to separate from people and situations that were no longer appropriate for your future growth and development. Since Saturn symbolizes the material world, these transits may have helped you to reorganize your finances and begin to take steps to bring more stability back into your life.

Perhaps your natal Jupiter in Virgo in your fourth house squaring your Sun also contributed to your wanting to spend beyond your means, which is certainly not difficult to do in this day and age, given how expensive everything is in our society. While any Sun-Jupiter aspect in the natal horoscope is a positive force in one's life, it can also suggest expanding too much and going overboard when it comes to one's financial life. This trait is further emphasized with the Sun ruling your second house. The good news, though, is that your Jupiter makes a conjunction with your fourth-house cusp, indicating that you are always protected in your life and will always have a positive home life. In addition, Jupiter here would be auspicious for real-estate matters. This placement of Jupiter also suggests that you are basically an optimistic person with a sense of well-being within your own psyche. The square between the Sun and Jupiter may simply exaggerate some of the more expansive qualities of this configuration and could definitely cause you to overspend at times.

Transiting Saturn in Capricorn will enter your seventh house of the outer world starting in March 2018 and remain there

through spring 2020. Saturn's entry into Capricorn also symbolizes the culmination of the life that you have been living since 2003-4 which is when transiting Saturn in Cancer came to make a conjunction with your Ascendant. During that time, you made specific decisions about the course of your life, and it has taken this long for many of those decisions to finally come to fruition. While the last fourteen years or so have been about the development of your own personal life, the next phase of your life will be more about how you function with others in the outer world. It's a reevaluation of who you are in relation to other people, and it can manifest as the making or breaking of certain relational commitments. Since your natal Saturn in Sagittarius is in your sixth house, you may be changing your job or seeking more education to improve your professional options. In general, the Saturn in Capricorn transit should enable you to become more realistic and pragmatic about how you are living your life.

With your Mars in Cancer in your first house and your natal Moon in Scorpio in your fifth house, you are also a very sensitive individual who values being emotionally close to family and loved ones. Since the Moon in Scorpio is your ruler, this is also the part of you that seeks change and transformation, as your Scorpio Moon denotes that you are a person with a strong psychological interest in self-development. While the Sun in Gemini is more intellectually oriented, the Moon in Scorpio is more motivated by deep unconscious drives and emotions. Transiting Jupiter in Scorpio will be making a conjunction with the natal Moon in Scorpio on and off during 2018. Since Jupiter can bring opportunities into our lives, this transit could improve your romantic and home life or simply make you feel more positive and confident about your life in general. Your Moon in Scorpio squaring your Pluto in Leo is another reason why you are so focused on gaining self-insight and un-

derstanding. The only issue that you need to take stock of is when you begin to feel obsessive, which may lead you to spend more money than you have in the bank.

Transiting Neptune in Pisces will be moving through your ninth house for at least another four years. This particular transit will continue to influence your need to seek more spiritual understanding, and it could also cause you to become more psychic and intuitive. While you spent money on seeking the counsel of a healer/teacher, you may want to consider that you yourself possess some of the qualities you are seeking in a mentor figure. The combination of both air and water in your horoscope suggests that you inhabit the makings of a good therapist. The reason for this is that air is always symbolic of the rational and conscious mind, while water represents the depths of feelings and the unconscious. Since the August 2017 eclipse in Leo made an exact conjunction with your natal third-house Pluto in Leo, perhaps you've already begun to make the changes in your life that will bring you your life's transformation.

ANXIOUS FOR HER GRANDSON

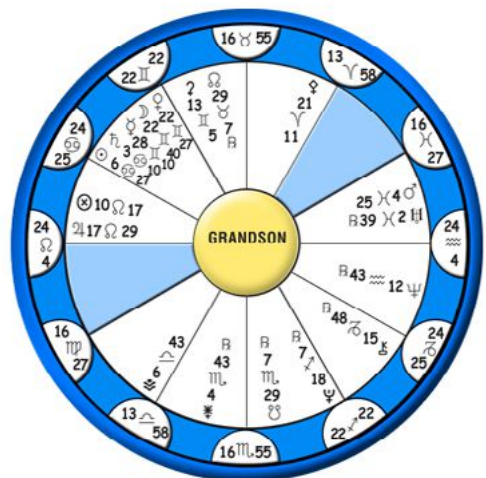
Dear Eileen, I am concerned about the future of my youngest grandchild. His mother abandoned him and his brother, and my son and I have helped to raise them. He just graduated from a private elementary school and is now headed for a private high school. I had an astrologer many years ago who gave me negative predictions about him, which was extremely upsetting to me. His father was recently diagnosed with a Stage 3 cancer, but it is under control now with medication. I would appreciate it if you could calm my anxiety about the future of my grandchild. He was born June 28, 2003, 9:29 A.M. E.D.T, 40N45/74W02.

I am so sorry that you were given such a negative reading from an astrologer about your grandson. Unfortunately, there

are some astrologers who lack certain essential communication skills. Given your grandson's family history and how challenging it has been for all of you, the last thing you needed was to hear unfounded negative predictions about his future. Besides, nothing is set in stone, as the purpose of anyone's life is the constant evolution of consciousness.

Starting high school is certainly a major transition in your grandson's life. Graduating from elementary school symbolically represents graduating from early childhood and entering into the phase of adolescence. He entered his first year in high school this past September while transiting Saturn in Sagittarius was making an opposition to his Venus-Moon-Mercury conjunction in Gemini. Consequently, he may have experienced his first semester as a time of separating from the past and adjusting to the demands of making new friends. Transiting Saturn was also entering his fifth house, also suggesting that he had to begin to mature emotionally in order to meet the expectations of teachers and his academics.

At the start of this year and continuing through November 2018, transiting Saturn in Capricorn will be making an oppo-



sition to his Sun-Saturn conjunction in Cancer. Again, his adolescent maturation will continue, but this configuration also suggests some challenges around family issues. For everyone, the first Saturn-Saturn opposition occurs around the age of 14-15, which is a time when a young person needs to begin to separate from authority figures in order to establish his own identity. Your grandson's father may go through some ups and downs with his health, and/or your grandson will begin to rebel against his father's authority. While that is a natural outcome of adolescence, he will still have to acknowledge the authority of his teachers and the school administration. If he can adjust to the demands of his new environment, he will slowly begin to become his own person.

Your grandson is a very sensitive person, given that he has the Sun in Moon-ruled Cancer and is therefore ruled by the emotional needs of the Moon. With a Moon-Mercury-Venus conjunction in Gemini, he must be a very communicative person, but also restless and distracted. Children and adolescents with a strong emphasis on Gemini in their horoscope can appear to have an attention deficit, given their sensitivity to everything that is going on around them. An intelligent adolescent, he probably has many different kinds of interests. The worst thing that can happen to him is to become bored with either his academics or with other people. This Moon configuration also indicates that he will prefer the company of girls, given that the two planets that represent the feminine, the Moon and Venus, are together in Gemini. His natal Venus and Moon, however, are also in opposition in Pluto, an indication of an all-or-nothing relationship with the mother. Obviously, his mother must have been going through a major crisis within herself to leave both of her small children. He will obviously have very deep-seated feelings and emotions when it comes to the subject of his mother. With this particular configuration,

he would benefit greatly from ongoing counseling while he is in high school.

The loss of the mother could also be symbolized by the fact that he has his natal Saturn in Cancer. This placement of Saturn can often describe an emotionally absent parent and/or that the individual has a hard time expressing feelings because of it. Given that Saturn in Cancer is with the Sun in Cancer, however, it is obvious that the father has been the one to provide nurturing and domestic stability. Although your grandson may not be able to talk about what he is feeling right now, it must be very difficult for him and for all of you to have had to face the father's present diagnosis. Hopefully, his medications will help him to maintain and sustain his health and his life.

With a strong emphasis of planets in your grandson's eleventh house, he will always have good friends, and his friends will always be like family to him. With a Leo Ascendant and with the Sun with Saturn in his eleventh house, he may also gravitate toward older people, as Saturn implies age and maturity. As a freshman, he may have friendly relationships with people who are juniors and seniors, as he prefers people who are serious and self-contained. The eleventh house is not only about friendship, but also about groups and associations. He will certainly want to be strongly connected to his peers and to be part of group activities. While family life has not been easy, he remains a very social young person and needs to feel emotionally and psychologically in alignment with his friends. This will help him in his life to feel less alone and make up for some of the losses he experienced early in his life.

I am really not sure why the astrologer gave you such negative predictions about your grandson. It is extremely puzzling. If I were you, I'd completely disregard anything he/she said to you, as a reading should not be about frightening people. Your grandson has Jupiter in Leo in the

sign of his Ascendant, which is a very protective placement; it implies that he will have opportunities to improve and expand his life. He enjoys being in the limelight and may be drawn to many creative and artistic pursuits. This possibility is further emphasized by his Mars-Uranus conjunction in Pisces, which could also suggest interest in artistic subjects. Given that adolescence is a time of experimentation and that the sign Pisces also relates to drugs and alcohol, his father needs to stay vigilant about the use of substances by your grandson. With this configuration in his seventh house, he will be attracted to people from different cultures and backgrounds, as he is drawn to eccentric and unusual people. With his Mars in the seventh house, he will need to become conscious of his anger so that he doesn't involve himself in aggressive situations. Like all adolescents, he is influenced by his friends, so it is important to know who they are and their impact on him.

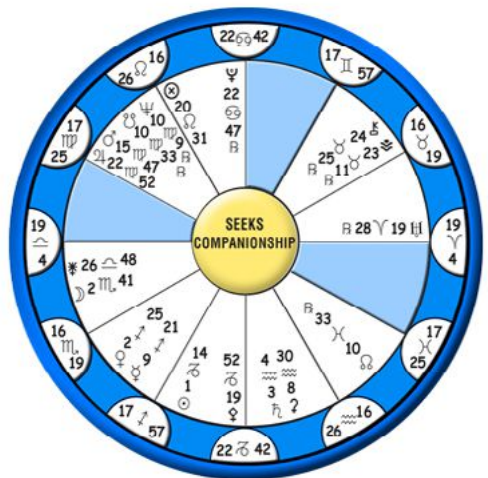
With his natal North Node in Taurus in his tenth house, he will eventually be drawn to a career that affords him stability and financial security. While the South Node in Scorpio in the fourth house implies a more crisis-oriented early life, he will solidly establish himself some day in the outer world. He is basically a very social individual, and relationships with friends and associations will be a major part of his life. While his early childhood has not been the easiest, he will find a path that will provide him with a social and professional world of his own making.

OCTOGENARIAN SEEKS COMPANIONSHIP

Dear Eileen, Although I am eight-five years of age, I feel more like a woman of sixty! I quietly help people whenever I can, in small ways, such as mowing the lawn for someone who is disabled and waiting with an elderly man in the ER after he experienced an accident. You may laugh, but my question to you is whether or not I will

ever find romance or have someone to share my life with again. I was devoted to my late husband and miss the closeness that an intimate relationship provides. I am not really lonely and value my privacy, but I do miss having a companion. Also, I wonder if I could do some volunteer work. My interest was always psychiatry/psychology, even though I didn't formally finish my education. Am I completely unrealistic? I was born December 23, 1932, at 1:20 A.M. E.S.T., 42N33/72W04.

Given that you have a Libra Ascendant and are therefore ruled by the planet Venus, it is no wonder that you still yearn for a significant relationship. With your Venus in Sagittarius, you are basically an idealist when it comes to relationships, as you enjoy sharing your interests with someone in a significant union. Starting in 2010 and continuing through 2012, transiting Saturn was in Libra, the sign on the cusp of your first house of new beginnings and self-identity. I am not sure when your husband passed away, but I would imagine that these years were about rebuilding and reestablishing a new life. You also experienced transiting Saturn in Scorpio to your natal Moon in 2012, which was probably a very intense time



for you both personally and emotionally. Starting in the beginning of 2018 and continuing through September 2018, transiting Saturn in Capricorn will be making a conjunction with your natal Sun in your third house. Since your natal fourth-house Saturn rules this area of life, perhaps this is why you are thinking about living with someone again or at least sharing your life on an intimate level. The fourth house not only rules family and real estate, but it also has to do with what we need to feel safe and secure in the world.

With your Saturn in Aquarius ruling your Capricorn Sun, you either depend on your friends who are like family to you or you have very few friends who are extremely vital to you. The favorable sextile of your natal Venus in Sagittarius to your Saturn in Aquarius suggests that what you would really like is to share some time with a friend/companion. Transiting Saturn will be highlighting your fourth house starting in 2020, which could indicate that you will be spending a lot more time at home and/or that you may have to reevaluate your living situation. You mention in your letter that you have helped many people in a quiet way throughout your life. With your Moon in Scorpio in your first house ruling the tenth house of our image in the outer world, there is no question that you have a strong maternal streak and that you are a caring individual. You also have the capacity to help people in a crisis, as Pluto in the tenth house suggests that you would have made a good psychologist or crisis-intervention worker. While you may not have done that work officially in the world, it does sound like you help people when they are in a crisis. This quality is also emphasized by having three planets in Virgo, the sign that is about service to others. As far as volunteer work is concerned, you certainly could offer a few hours a week just helping people on the phone who are in the midst of a crisis. Or you can simply keep doing what you do for other people on a regular basis.

The upcoming Saturn transit to your Sun in Capricorn will assist you in making decisions in your life and setting new priorities. This will be a year to take care of your health and perhaps make adjustments in your home to fit your present needs. With transiting Uranus still moving through your seventh house and ruling your fifth house of love and creativity, you may find someone to share your interests with and remain open to meeting new and unusual people who can offer you a relationship or friendship that provides you with both companionship and freedom. While you are basically a very traditional person, you are also drawn to eccentric and unusual people. While your generation definitely placed emphasis on home and family, your natal Uranus in Aries signifies that you rebelled against certain societal expectations, which may have been reflected in your choice of a marriage partner. Your husband may have been very different from the type of man you were expected to marry. The highest expression of Uranus in the seventh house is marriage to a good friend, with both people rejoicing in the unique individuality of the other person.

I don't think it is unrealistic to yearn for another person to share some of your life. People can meet each other at any time, and old age does not preclude love, romance, or companionship. You just need to remain open and not have any preconceived ideas about what a relationship should be based on your past experiences. With your natal Saturn in Aquarius, you would probably benefit from being part of a community where you could form new associations that would give you a sense of belonging and stability. Transiting Pluto in Capricorn will also be coming to make a conjunction to your fourth house cusp around 2019, signifying that you will be making some changes when it comes to your living situation. That transit could also indicate a new home life that involves living with someone else or

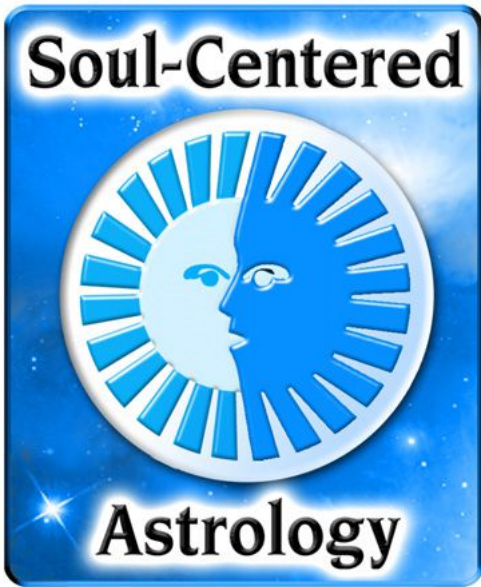
within a community. With both Saturn and Pluto now highlighting your fourth house, and given that the fourth house symbolizes our deepest personal yearnings and how we give ourselves a sense of safety and security, it may also be one of the reasons why you are yearning for a new relationship. With the asteroid Juno near your Libra Ascendant, there is no question that you are a marrying-type person and that you would prefer sharing your life with a significant other.

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— by ALAN OKEN —

ASTROLOGICAL TANGO: THE DANCE OF CAPRICORN AND SCORPIO

No child is born completely free and empty of karma, blemish-free and just waiting to be imprinted psychologically by its parents and immediate environment. Indeed, these two major nurturing and conditioning factors (parents and environment) are themselves conditioned by that newly born entity's karma. Whether or not one believes in the dynamics of reincarnation, there is the immutable biological fact that each baby carries within its DNA a distinct portion of human history and without a doubt incarnates this synthesis

into its birth, breath, and body. We are the carriers as well as the creators of human history; it is carried in our genes, in our racial memory, and in our Soul. The more the latter becomes the focus of reality of the conscious human being, the more that this history—both personal and collective—becomes revealed to the human mind of that individual. This is a primary factor and proof of human evolution.

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The effects of Saturn and Pluto, Capricorn and Scorpio, are so potent in their effects that in 2017, I presented three articles to you on the subject.¹ In my current article on this astrologically important subject (for it just may not be my “final word” on this theme), I want to combine these two planets and signs, and in certain paragraphs, add Neptune, Uranus, and/or Jupiter as they express their natures simultaneously through Capricorn and Scorpio. The resulting energetic mixtures bring forth some very interesting astrological “recipes.” The results of such celestial syntheses yield *generational astrological signatures*, markers that link hundreds of millions of people together into common expressions of planetary influences. This subject is referred to as “Generational Astrology” and is a favorite of mine, one that I trust will also be of interest to you, reader. Perhaps you will find a generational signature of your own and/or a loved one of yours among them. In terms of the fifth item below, we are currently living through these celestial signifiers.

This article covers five such astrological generational markers:

1. Saturn in Capricorn and Neptune in Scorpio: January 5, 1959 to January 3, 1962 (3 years).

2. Neptune and Uranus in Capricorn with Pluto in Scorpio: December 2, 1988, to April 1, 1995 (6 years, 4 months).

3. Uranus, Neptune, and Saturn in Capricorn with Pluto in Scorpio: December 2, 1988, to February 6, 1991 (2 years, 2 months).

4. Saturn in Scorpio and Pluto in Capricorn: October 5, 2012 to December 22, 2014 (2 years and 2 months).

5. Jupiter in Scorpio and Pluto in Capricorn: October 10, 2017, to November 8, 2018 (1 year, 1 month).

It may prove helpful if I were to give out a number of keywords and descriptive phrases for Scorpio and Capricorn when they are harmoniously blended as they are in all the examples I am offering in this article. These include:

a. The ability to transform the way feelings, forms, and ideas are structured so that greater creative possibilities are made available to both individuals and the public.

b. Challenges leading to the transformation of the power structures and social perspectives of corporations and governments for the benefit (or even survival!) of self and/or others.

c. The unleashing of hidden potencies and powers to create new structures in feelings, forms, and ideas, thus releasing new and (hopefully) beneficial potentials for the human experience.

d. The urge to dissolve old boundaries and barriers to release a greater creative flowering into the world.

It must also be mentioned that the combination of Capricorn and Scorpio is not a “soft and fluffy one” (as are Taurus and Pisces or Taurus and Cancer, for example). The Celestial Goat when combined with the Celestial Scorpion tells us:

“You will transform. Death will hold no barrier to your progress. In fact, your previous structures and forms, thoughts and feelings, institutions and laws will all have to be transmuted and upgraded. There is no choice; hesitation will only cause greater tension in the evolutionary process.”

I also want to point out that any and all of the aspects I am highlighting in themselves do not “change the world.” There is the whole of human history to take into consideration, traditions that mold societies and institutions, as well as established prejudices and priorities. An example would be gays in the U.S. military. The structure and tradition (Saturn/Capricorn) of the U.S. military had been up to very recently very anti-gay. But the sextile (harmonious link) between Pluto (transformation) in Capricorn (power structures) and Saturn (authority figures and administrative power) in Scorpio (sexuality) has contributed to allowing gay men and women to serve their country, thus releasing additional power into the social collective (the military) and thus helping to bring about a greater sense of inclusiveness into all facets of our daily lives.

1. Saturn in Capricorn and Neptune in Scorpio: January 5, 1959, to January 3, 1962.

In this combination of celestial influences we have a most compatible—if somewhat demanding—pair of signs coupled with two planets that are decidedly antithetical in their purpose and intent. The placement of these signs at a 60° (sextile) distance from one another in the natural zodiac, coupled with their assignments in complementary elements (water and earth), endows them with naturally cooperative energetic fields. The exact sextile and hence the best use of these planets-in-signs relationship occurred in two periods, the longer one from January 30, 1959, until February 5, 1960, and the

brief period from September 16, 1960, to October 14, 1960.

People with this combination in sextile or in other ways prominent in their natal horoscope are gifted with the ability to peer beneath appearances and perceive the real power—or weakness—behind outer forms, for the understanding of true weaknesses in a proposed project or relationship is a great power to have, indeed. Saturn/Neptune, when well placed in these signs, gives a propensity for research and depth of understanding. This would be especially true if Mercury were also well connected with one or both of these planets—for example, Mercury in Virgo trine Saturn and sextile Neptune.

2. Neptune and Uranus in Capricorn with Pluto in Scorpio: December 2, 1988, to April 1, 1995 (6 years, 4 months).

We are here speaking about an enormous number of people, a generation called “The Millennials,”² of which this is the first half. I will outline some of the major characteristics of this generation through the following three definitions.

a. Neptune in Capricorn (1984-1998): As Neptune has its “exaltation” in Cancer, it is said to be in “fall” in Capricorn. In terms of the personality-centered, this position indicates a generation of people who are totally obsessed with and fooled by matter; indeed, they are intoxicated by “things” (usually in the form of technological gadgets and brand-name clothing and accessories), placing enormous importance on the way things look, especially as they impress other millennials. But the soul-centered among them (and there are many), embody the “Fall” of the Christ into the Heart of Man; indeed, the highest (Love) has “fallen into” the lowest (matter). These are then those young people actively involved in bringing compassion into the material life and serving the collective accordingly.

b. Uranus in Capricorn (1988-1995): This planet/sign combination is totally an-

tithetical: Uranus demands freedom, while Capricorn defines boundaries and limitations. The result gives a generation that is restless in terms of its search for new archetypal expressions. This has given birth to a huge number of professional (Capricorn) Bloggers, Vloggers, YouTubers, and “Reality Stars,” as well as many more people of this age group aspiring to be same. What we have is the dynamics of the urge for mass communication (Uranus) functioning through a medium that must express as “product, sales, business, and enterprise” (Capricorn). The motto should be something like “Sell Sameness That Is Different!” And the response in terms of the collective is “Buy a Reflection That Glorifies Me!” (The “glorification” part is the glamour of Neptune conjoined to the projected-on screen-Me = Uranus).

c. Pluto in Scorpio (1983-1995): Personality-centered people with this powerful position will not only be doing battle with the right use of sexual energy, but their fight will also be for the “right use of willpower” in all facets of life (especially in terms of the house position where Pluto in Scorpio is found in the natal map). Their willpower, however, will follow their material desires, and they will “want, want, and want some more,” trying to manipulate and shape (the negative facets of Uranus and Neptune in Capricorn) the world around them until those desires are satisfied—and other desires quickly replace them! On the highest level, these are “never-say-die” people who will continue toward accomplishing their social aims (sextile Neptune/Uranus in Capricorn), no matter what the cost and degree of effort and cost to the individual. This is the generation that must rebuild Europe after the Berlin Wall came down and the Euro came up. They are a generation who must rebuild and restructure the world economy. Many in this generation will do this for entirely selfish purposes; others

will use their economic genius (Capricorn/Scorpio) to further the welfare of Humanity.

3. Uranus, Neptune, and Saturn in Capricorn with Pluto in Scorpio: December 2, 1988 to February 6, 1991.

Placed as a “sub-group” at the outset of the generation mentioned above in Item 2 is the Saturn-in-Capricorn “pod.” On the personality level, this combination of Uranus, Neptune, and Saturn all in Capricorn can be quite a challenging one. In his incredible book, *A Treatise on White Magic* (pp. 521-538), the Tibetan Master writes at some length about “the prisoners of the planet.” Very briefly, one application of this term can be applied to this Capricornian pod-group. They are so very materialistic, so incredibly addicted to the physical and emotional, as well as thought-forms, that they become easily entrapped and encased by the dynamics of their own desire nature (Pluto in Scorpio) to manifest everything into matter, matter that they can own, possess, and manipulate. When operating from the level of the solar plexus, this group will produce incredibly self-interested, money- and possession-obsessed people. At the very least, those of this sub-group who are not born into or able to navigate into social positions of high economic order, will find life to be very disappointing when such lofty “brand-name, *haute couture*” lives are not achievable.

There is hope! This generation will also produce amazing economists and political thinkers and activists, men and women who will put their understanding of how to sculpt and mold economic factors so that many people will benefit from their efforts. These are people who know the difference between abundance and lack and who can work together as groups to bring about greater social advancement—although they may be fighting their generational brothers and sisters in the process!

4. Saturn in Scorpio and Pluto in Capricorn: October 5, 2012, to December 22, 2014.

As one can imagine, this is a very potent combination of planets and signs. For about 11 months out of this 26-month period, they were in actual sextile (October 20, 2012, to May 15, 2013; August 1, 2013, to October 31, 2013; July 1 to 31, 2014). Those people born during the sextile or who otherwise have these two planets prominent in their natal chart—for example, Pluto in Capricorn in the eighth house with Saturn conjunct or trine Mars—will experience enormous benefits from this combination. Such positive celestial gifts include:

a. The ability to regenerate personal power structures. Example: one reaches a certain level of achievement in professional enterprise and then naturally finds the way to both make use of this position and rise up to the next.

b. The ability to accomplish the above but on a wider social level. Example: a soul-centered man or woman rises up to some level of political and/or corporate influence and finds it easy to use this position for the economic benefit of many.

c. The ability to feel at ease when in the company of powerful people and to be able to hold their own or excel in the wielding of administrative authority.

5. Jupiter in Scorpio and Pluto in Capricorn: October 10, 2017, to November 8, 2018.³

One final definition: Jupiter in Scorpio. This planet/sign combination can instill a courageous and determined nature when it comes to defending his or her belief system. In fact, when taken to the extreme, it can make for a “fanatical fundamentalist.” Scorpio is the sign of the transformer, and when Jupiter (planet of expansion) takes this to the extreme, it may indicate a person whose life philosophy is “either you believe in what I believe or else you



leave me little other alternative but to destroy you.” Sounds very much like the current wave of fanatical Islamic religious terrorism or the Christian religious terrorism at the time of the Crusades or the Conquest of Central and South America (or during the Salem witch trials for that matter!). But when Jupiter in Scorpio is generated from the soul via the heart center, people are born who embody a highly motivated orientation to seek out a higher truth, no matter what the form of a given religion. They work hard to assist other people in their struggles to raise up their own inner values and beliefs in order to walk the path of the Higher Life.

Pluto in Capricorn will either add intensity to existing separate structures, patterns, and rituals of beliefs, creating even greater division and chaos, or add to the process of fusion and synthesis so that the Initiate (Capricorn) is born out of the heart of men and women struggling (Scorpio and the 4th Ray of Harmony through Conflict) to achieve universal tolerance and understanding.

On a personal level, we can aid in bringing resolution to philosophical/religious conflicts in ourselves and in our environments when transiting Pluto and/or Jupiter lands on an important position in our natal chart. Example: Transiting Pluto conjunct our MC with transiting Jupiter sextile this position.

Next month: February 2018—The Sky Asks the Question: Conflict or Conflict Resolution? How Does This Play Out in Your Chart?

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Footnotes:

1. April 2017 HOROSCOPE: Saturn in Capricorn—A Preview and a Preparation; May 2017 HOROSCOPE: The Aspects of Transiting Saturn in Capricorn in your Natal Chart; June 2017 HOROSCOPE: The Personal and Planetary Effects of Pluto and Saturn in Capricorn.

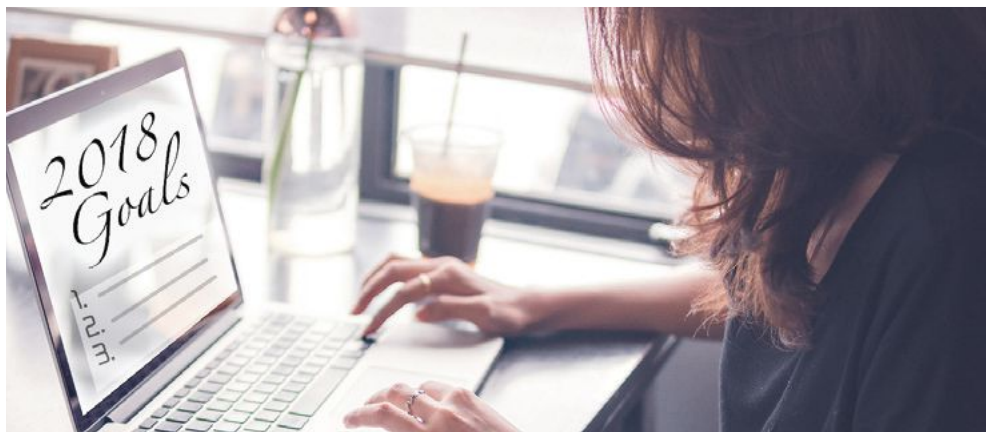
2. The second half of this generation, their younger brothers and sisters, were born from 1998 to 2003 with Uranus and Neptune in Aquarius and Pluto in Sagittarius. Also included in the millennials is a very special sub-group born in 1996

and 1997. These are young people with Uranus in Aquarius, Pluto in Sagittarius, but Neptune in Capricorn. I will write about these other facets of this larger generation (1988-2003) in a future article in *Dell HOROSCOPE Magazine*.

3. Transiting sextiles between these two planets will be made from January 1 to April 30, 2018—from 17° to 23° Scorpio/Capricorn—and from September 1 to 30, 2018—from 17° to 21° Scorpio/Capricorn. Please check your ephemeris for exactitude.



One way to foil the dreaded weight gain phenomenon when expansive Jupiter transits one's first house is to transmute that potential fat into muscle through a vigorous exercise program. A portly astrologer-friend actually began such a regimen as Jupiter went into his first house several years ago. He didn't lose much weight, but he started to look very fit, and still does, probably because he continued his life-style changes after Jupiter finished visiting his first house.



Redesign Your Life

A 10-Point Plan for Creating Change

By Judi Thomases

Lots of coaches in the business and personal-growth fields advise us to state our goals in life in order to make them concrete and bring them to realization, and these advisors often use a format of “Ten Tips to Doing/Reaching Something...” to make their point simply and clearly. So I figured, why not apply this approach to astrology? After all, the entire practice of astrology is a path to growth, and the amazing awareness it gives the practitioner is one of the best tools available for reaching that goal. So why not analyze ways in which to put this golden tool to use in a structured, outlined format, such as would be applied nowadays to any practical endeavor?



You might want to read through this material twice, the second time with a pen in hand and a few nice, clean sheets of paper to take notes on, because every one of the following ten items will apply to you and, when implemented, can help you redesign your life and ease your journey.

A horoscope is the depiction of our soul's decision to play a game—a very challenging game. In it are reflected the

choices made before birth (choices that are partly brand-new, but also partly karmic, to rebalance and realign prior errors or omissions). The horoscope gives us the best way to read these soul choices and steer through or around them when necessary. No one on Earth can avoid all pain—that's the point of it all, since life's a learning experience. But everyone can use his or her dilemmas wisely.

THE TOP 10 WAYS TO WIELD THE TOOL

1. KNOW YOUR PATTERNS

This might seem so basic, like *Astrology 101*! But while it's true that knowing our patterns means understanding the meaning of planets in signs and houses, as well as aspects, there's also a far deeper level to this. How well do we really know our own chart and what it might mean from a soul perspective?

Keeping in mind that the universe always works towards the greater good, it can be helpful to pursue certain kinds of questions. For instance, why did some of us set up antagonistic energy patterns, within a single psyche, in which the "message" of one of our planets or aspects works against the "message" of a different one? (Perhaps we needed an irresolvable conflict to act as a catalyst for achievement.) Why did some of us choose to emphasize a certain component of life, such as loaded house placements or sign importance, rather than another? (Maybe we underemphasized a life task in prior lives.) Why did some of us bury our Sun-Sign—the very essence of oneself—to be eclipsed by some other influence? (Perhaps we are working on ego issues this time.) And there are so many, many other such questions. What, in other words, did we have in (our greater) mind when we settled on these decisions as the game plan for this life?

Did we want to emphasize work over love? Family over self? Responsibility over creativity? If so, why? Did we choose to focus on relating to others (inhabited fourth, fifth, seventh, eighth, or eleventh houses), or did we need to remain independent and self-reliant (much fire, hard aspects to the personal planets, empty relationship houses)? Did we guarantee ourselves marriage and children, or com-

plete freedom? And is the result of that a happy or unpleasant circumstance?

If you find a pattern in your chart that speaks of inevitable pain, ask yourself: Why on Earth would I choose that? Am I a crazed masochist, or did my soul have another agenda in mind?

I'll give you a personal example: I have Venus in the twelfth house and Saturn in the fifth. I've therefore bargained for a fair share of grief when it comes to love and/or kids. But Venus happens to be in Sagittarius near the Ascendant, and Saturn happens to be conjunct Jupiter. One day, bemoaning my problems regarding

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this particular set of issues, I received a message from my spirit-guides, The Brotherhood of Light Workers, telling me that I chose to know more intimately both life's pain and life's joy. Hurt, but optimistic. Lows, but highs. Darkness, but the way out. Up to then, during the painful experiences, all I could focus on was the negative, but after receiving that message, I saw the larger perspective. I felt empowered and a lot clearer and realized that things weren't just bombarding me; there was a perfect plan involved.

In general, I'd say that our conjunctions are what's most obvious and in-your-face for good or for bad in this life, while our squares and oppositions are where our real issues lie, and our trines are the help we took along in order to deal with them. When I see a horoscope that has a few really tough major aspects, like a Fixed Grand Cross plus one or two T-squares,

especially involving the personal planets, and yet a lovely Grand Trine as well, then I know I'm looking at a soul who was quite gutsy in his/her choices, bargaining for a lot of growth with as much help as possible in reaching it.

Many of us are not used to asking why, only to describing our chart's features. But knowing our own patterns in a deeply interior fashion gives us a larger picture of what we came here to do, of our soul's agenda. If you're still complaining about what life has thrown at you, and what a victim you are because of it, you're not yet at the stage of realization. Try a little more introspection, and figure out what your astrological pictures are telling you about you. You, and you alone, are the architect of your world.

2. KNOW YOUR CLOSE ONES' PATTERNS

Now that you've begun to ask yourself some really deep questions about your horoscope (and assuming that you're well on the way to grasping your fundamental issues from that broader perspective), it's time to consider the soul-choices behind your most basic relationships.

For example, many of us are tightly bonded to parents, children, or spouses with whom we are terribly incompatible. As an astrologer, I see this all the time. There are many soul reasons for this quite common phenomenon. One might be growth (a catch-all term that covers lots of life missions); another, the learning of patience or assertiveness; another, that of being on the receiving end of what you formerly doled out (an excellent strategy for increasing one's compassion); and another still, that of relating intimately to someone greatly unlike the self. Still other reasons might apply to matters such as soul agreements in which you contracted with another that one of you would learn responsibility at the expense of independence, while the other needs propping up. The list of soul reasons is as endless as the variety of souls. The key thing

to realize is that your dilemma isn't just happenstance.

Individuals of different generations often have tense aspects between the outer planets. For example, all the Baby Boomers born with Pluto in Leo are in conflict with the Twenty-Somethings who were born during the Pluto-in-Scorpio era. There will be deep conflicts in their values, and probably power struggles. And many of these same "ol' folks" have Uranus and Saturn in Gemini fighting with the Uranus-Pluto conjunction in Virgo of the Yuppies. Here's traditional in-person connectivity versus impersonal technology...or the spoken word versus e-mail!

But these generational conflicts get really bothersome when the personal planets are also involved. What if, for instance, in the above examples, the Twenty-Something is an Aquarian, or has prominent personal planets in that sign, forming oppositions to her parents' Plutos in addition to the generational Pluto squares? Although the basic relationship is one of parent and child, it will always reflect tension and perhaps cause suffering. It's truly enlightening to realize that this was a chosen birth to a chosen parent. And both parent and child chose it; it wasn't an accident.

The same can be true of marriage. Why would someone initially be passionately attracted to another who will inevitably cause wounding? Why choose to get together in the first place, not simply as casual associates, but as intensely involved lovers? There are myriad patterns that will show this pain, varying from natal date-of-birth karma (i.e., you'll always have relationship problems in this lifetime) to current compatibility studies in synastry (i.e., this one's just a bad match), so examples are too numerous to list. When you see it showing, however, always ask why. Why did the two souls want this experience? There are soul lessons that can only be learned from heartache, and others that can only be learned through the experi-

ence of rejection or abandonment. Understanding a deeper answer won't remove the pain, but it will give insight.

On the other hand, there are many bonds of basic relationships in which there is great, even perfect, harmony: Sun-Moon conjunctions, many trines and sextiles between the two charts, benefics in the house(s) denoting the nature of the relationship, etc. Then the question is: Is there another task outside the relationship itself that both souls need to accomplish with the support of a great relationship to do so? For example, if you are the parents of sextuplets, it helps a lot to have that kind of bond in your marriage. And if you agreed to accept a spouse with a major disability, it won't do to have a lot of useless romantic drama in the way. In fact, it's often a guarantee that if a basic relationship is smooth, there is another life task going on outside of it.

Your insight into your close ones' patterns will empower you. You can use your understanding of their patterns to help them complete their mission; at the same time, you can realize their patterns' impact upon you and thus flow better with the "why" of it all. You may find yourself less apt to feel angered or disappointed with

them—quite a leap of wisdom right there! Or, best of all, you might feel your heart opening and your compassion growing.

3. LOOK INTO AVENUES TO EASE YOUR HARDEST ASPECTS

Here's another point that seems so basic: resolve your toughest inner challenges by applying appropriate solutions. So much can be awakened in you when you ask the soul reason for it all.

Suppose your chart shows a theme of bottled rage (e.g., Mars in a water sign, Saturn in a hard aspect to Mars, Sun square Pluto, Aries Moon with no helpful outlet, etc.). Then, you have chosen to wrestle with this powerful emotion, and life would work best if it were given a healthy expression, such as anger management or martial arts. Struggling against your extreme urges by succumbing to explosive anger or intense repression would work least well. But as important as it is to manage your anger, it's equally crucial to define the root reason for accepting such a horoscope. Did you have too many past lives of being a sucker?! Did you avoid standing up for your principles? Do you need to learn self-esteem? Confidence? Such a perspective on anger can moderate it wisely. Extreme anger always reveals a weakness, not a strength.

Hard aspects are those that bring us pain. They may also function to bring pain to others in our lives, but they're primarily the bane of our own existence. To deal with them wisely, we can tackle them psychologically (gaining emotional insight), astrologically (applying logical neutralizers), or spiritually (grasping the soul purpose)—or all of these together—to overcome our karmic predicament. The least wise route is to do nothing at all and just succumb to the problem, be it as seemingly innocuous as stage



fright or as overwhelming as poor health.

For example, what if the chart shows lots of sad frustration (e.g., conflicts between Mars, Saturn, and Neptune)? Then the soul job might be success over failure through perseverance. Loneliness (e.g., afflicted Moon, Uranus against personal planets, Saturn in water signs)? Then the soul job might be success over rejection through compassion and humility. Hard aspects will almost always relate to the larger theme of the present incarnation, shown also in contradictory house and sign placements, as I mentioned. The point to keep in mind is that the horoscope as a whole is reflecting the task(s) you gave yourself to complete...and you and your spirit-guides didn't want to make things too easy since growth-producing challenge is the ticket!

4. USE MARS, SATURN, URANUS, NEPTUNE, AND PLUTO WELL

Ah, the “malefics”! What would Earth be without ‘em? Not in school, that’s for sure.

Every one of these guys has its positive side and its “bad” side. Again, Astrology 101! Apply each planet’s metaphysical meaning to your dilemma. Use its higher vibration on behalf of your everyday difficulty to see what’s really going on. Mars is the motivator, the desire that brought you here and keeps you pushing toward a goal. Saturn is the Lord of Karma, or Taskmaster; that’s your teacher, insisting that the life task be completed according to the rules of the physical world, no matter how much you rail against them. Uranus is the Liberator, opening the jailhouse door when you’re too stuck, and sometimes forcing you through it despite your fear. Neptune is the Inspiration, “the dreamer that’s dreaming the dream,” reminding you of your true spiritual nature and true residence whenever Earth gets too real. And Pluto is the Transformer, the means by which to change into your true self without actually dying.

So how do we use these “malefics” wisely? Well, here are just some examples: if you’re infuriated, ask yourself what desire is being thwarted; if you’re restricted, ask yourself what’s the impatient goal that’s requiring your self-discipline and acceptance; if you’re upset and discombobulated, ask yourself what inflexible stance you are in that’s too crystallized; if you’re fooled and confused, ask yourself what beautiful fantasy you’re preferring to believe in; and if you’re altogether without hope, ask yourself what better movie role you’d rather play. Once you get your wise answer, change your behavior or response accordingly.

5. LEARN THE BEST DAYS FOR EACH ACTIVITY

In this, I’m not really talking about an astrological almanac, although that’s certainly a great tool, but rather about two sides of the same coin: to harmonize with the flow, and to practice right timing. When to act, and when not to act. Do you go ahead with something, or do you resist going ahead with something? Each decision will have a right or wrong timing, just as there’d be a time when it’s worse to fear going on that interview (i.e., not acting) than to set up the appointment, or worse to buy that used car (i.e., acting) instead of waiting for the new models to come out. The wise person bases action on inner harmony with the flow, and not on emotional reaction or intellectual decision alone. To do so requires honing the intuition in order to “know” the flow’s direction.

“Surrendering” is the term given to the conscious allowing of the Greater Will to prevail over your own small ego. It doesn’t mean “giving up.” It’s done best with an absolute awareness that the larger Plan is always preferable to your own designs—until, that is, your own designs reach the point of being completed, guided by the larger Plan. “Thy Will be done” is an apt and concise way to say it. So is

“The Great Way is not difficult for one who has no preferences.” This is easy to grasp, but very hard to do.

Study your daily transits as well as your progressed aspects. Keep track of them in a datebook or use astrological software that will calculate and print out lists of these events for any given period. First of all, you'll be able to see clearly what energy patterns are unfolding during each time period so that you can accommodate your desires to what's actually available.

In general, I'd say that our conjunctions are what are most obvious and in-your-face for good or for bad in this life, while our squares and oppositions are where our real issues lie, and our trines are the help we took along in order to deal with them.

Second, you'll know within each pattern the precise day it'll be best to pursue a certain activity. For instance, when you are looking for an event that's romantically, financially, or socially based, watch what Venus does. However, if Saturn is otherwise stymieing it, or if your progressions aren't conducive, the overall timing simply isn't all that major, and only minor results will follow. In other words, you can date, but you probably won't meet Mr./Ms. Right just then.

6. UNDERSTAND THE WAY YOU RESPOND (THE MOON)

Emotional response to life's experiences is one of the most important factors in how a soul plan is furthered.

A water Moon, for example, will respond to the same set of circumstances completely differently from a fire Moon. In an event of hardship, the former might sob while the latter will get angry. So,

again, let's ask questions. Did you need to be vulnerable or hard-hearted? Did you want a life in which you responded dispassionately and with practicality to get the job done (earth Moon)? Or one in which you wanted to stay lively and cheerful (air Moon)?

It isn't enough to describe the characteristics of the Moon sign of yourself (or your close ones); you need to glean the perfect reason behind that choice. And don't forget to figure out the complications brought about by having the Moon conjunct or in other aspect to a different item in the horoscope. That would all go into the mix. And as the Moon also rules mom, family, home life, and related issues such as guilt trips, childhood roles, and early environments, stir those into the pot, too!

7. CHANGE YOUR VALUES (VENUS, HOUSE 2, HOUSE 9).

Values are defined as what you think makes life worthwhile; as such, they can't be divorced from your beliefs. You will spend your life desiring and pursuing that which you consider beneficial to its quality. Problems arise from values when their pursuit leads you into suffering.

Say you love wealth and beautiful luxuries and believe that life isn't worth living if you don't have them. Is that bad? Does that need "changing"? Well, no, not in and of itself. But if that value system tips you into greed, like the Enron crew, then you have built your life around a structure of beliefs and practices in the service of those beliefs that was faulty and unwise. Hard lessons will ensue, from which greater wisdom will come about. But wouldn't it have been a lot easier to have realigned your value system before the fall?

A Taurus individual I knew had Venus-Saturn in the eighth house, but a Pisces Node. This person was quite materialistic, constantly buying new gold jewelry and competing with "the Joneses." Over the course of a long life, she suffered many

burglaries and other financial losses, until, finally, she realigned her values entirely toward her Pisces Node, sacrificing her few remaining means to her loved ones, and placing her faith more in the universe providing than in her checkbook. When she exited life, she had reached a place of greater serenity—but how long and painful a process it had been! It would have been better had she used wisdom gleaned from her horoscope from the get-go.

Another individual, also with Saturn in the eighth house, has Venus in its ruling sign of Libra trining Saturn, but in the twelfth house (very contradictory messages), and Jupiter-Pluto in the ninth house squaring a Scorpio Ascendant. Here we have tough karma regarding finances and relationships, yet also some guardian angels looking over the shoulder. Her financial well-being and emotional happiness will depend on how she treats close ones—if nicely and with balance, then life will flow well; if vindictively and from fear, then life will bite back. Because of a long period of deep pain and awakening, she is in the process of transforming her values from those of suspicion and rancor to those of openness and hope.

We live in a culture that tends to promote materialistic rather than spiritual values. Fame, wealth, political, or sexual power may all be advertised as better than friendships, inner peace, or non-attachment—but are they for you? If, right now, you could be Britney Spears, would that solve everything for you? Before you blindly succumb to external values, it might be wise to examine yours deeply and come to a clear statement of true personal desire.

8. DO YOUR NORTH NODE!

In other words, fulfill your karmic challenge. Perhaps more than anything else, this would be one of the wisest astrological insights one can get because it means studying all the various meanings

that can be applied to the sign and house placement of your North Node and then consciously attempting to execute as many of these as possible.

You came to Earth with a mission, or task, that you assigned yourself. Perhaps it was something interior, perhaps something regarding another. Perhaps it was as simple as learning to play the game of life better, learning the “rules.” Perhaps it was a very complex, long-term goal. Although many paths exist that can offer life guidance, such as religion or psychotherapy, whose guidelines can be generally applied to your own journey, only a distinctly personal path will bring the sense of contentment and joy of a job well done. It’s what your soul craves, and constantly seeks, and in astrology the North Node defines it.

Let’s say you have the North Node in Aries. Then you must learn to be self-reliant, gutsy, and independent. You probably leaned on a partner too much in past lives (and early on in this one) and failed to establish a strong sense of self. Will it be easy to be on your own? No, because the Node’s task is never easy. It’s always where learning has to take place. A woman with an Aries Node in her fourth house spent her adulthood as a single parent with a big house to run, doing it well but forever seeking comfort from the right male partner (who was denied to her). Another with an Aries Node conjunct her Ascendant (what a reinforced message!), while affluently but unhappily married, strives mightily for her own business success in order to give herself options to stay or leave. It hardly matters whether or not the task brings “happiness”; it’s just what the soul has to do to feel completed.

If you want a way to determine your own North Node’s task, locate its position, then find keywords for the sign and house it’s in, and, using only the positive meaning of both, see how many combinations you can create that would fit. Then, you’ll undoubtedly realize that many of these combinations describe your strongest life

SIGN	POSITIVE KEYWORDS (use for North Node qualities)
Aries	Leadership; strong, courageous, self-reliant, energetic, confident, assertive; trailblazing; idea person; bold, eager, individualistic, spunky, ardent, competitive, speedy, spirited; action-oriented; (head, face)
Taurus	Security-seeking, persevering, luxury-loving, contented, sensual, steady, kind, gentle, tenacious, trustworthy, enduring, practical, caring, composed; money-minded; stamina; (neck, throat)
Gemini	Curious, communicative, witty, sociable, versatile, logical, adaptable, agile, glib, sophisticated, busy; multi-tasking; skillful, perceptive, analytical, diverse; (arms, hands, ears, chest, lungs)
Cancer	Sensitive; family bonding; nurturing, protective, sentimental, tenacious; homebody; emotional; collector's instinct; domesticity; (breasts, stomach)
Leo	Noble, creative, loyal, courageous; vitality; high energy; aristocratic, dignified, proud, honest, optimistic, talented; warm, affectionate; (heart, spine, upper back)
Virgo	Health-conscious, analytical, service-oriented, detail-conscious; purist; high standards; patient, orderly, thorough, modest, practical, hard-working, fastidious, gentle, conscientious; (bowels, intestines)
Libra	Gracious, peace-loving, romantic, artistic; good at partnering; diplomatic, sweet, cooperative, outgoing, sociable, tactful, just, fashionable; balance-seeking; musical, fair-minded; (kidneys, ovaries, lower back)
Scorpio	Sexy, deep, probing, concentrated, strong, subtle, resourceful, passionate, magnetic, powerful, psychic; able to transform self; (sexual organs, eliminative organs)
Sagittarius	Adventurous, philosophical, easygoing, extroverted, cheerful, optimistic, independent, spiritual, humanitarian, direct, athletic, intuitive, expansive, lucky, idealistic, honest, humorous, free; excelling at selling or counseling; reasonable; (hips, thighs)
Capricorn	Entrepreneurial, organized, responsible, cautious, dutiful; leadership; ambitious, conscientious, persistent, patient, strong, dedicated, humble, structured, loyal, realistic, efficient, dependable; hard-working; late bloomer; corporate; administrative; managerial, prudent; (knees, shins)
Aquarius	Innovative, humanitarian, friendly, ingenious, magnanimous, individualistic, scientific, progressive, intellectual, sociable, curious, logical, inventive, fair, egalitarian; (ankles, legs, calves)
Pisces	Psychic, imaginative, spiritual, introspective, sensitive, sensual, compassionate, self-sacrificing, sympathetic, artistic, romantic, dreamy, mystical, gentle; (feet)

SIGN	NEGATIVE KEYWORDS (use for South Node qualities)
Aries	Self-centered; impatient; reckless; noisy; arrogant; domineering; clumsy; egotistical; can't relax; "me first"; demanding; no patience to finish things; lose interest fast; opinionated; competitive; headaches or head injuries.
Taurus	Bullheaded; long-suffering; need true values; possessive; greedy; jealous; fear of loss; inflexible; acquisitive; extravagant; hoarding; indulgent; lacking detachment; conservative; gluttonous.
Gemini	Easily bored; changeable; scattered; restless; superficial; neurotic; dislike routine; fickle; split personalities; dislike binding ties; dual; nervous; two-faced.
Cancer	Passive; moody; elusive; sidestepping; easily hurt; lazy; self-centered, selfish; clams up.
Leo	Won't delegate authority; egotistical; hard to be detached; arrogant; need stroking, flattery; vain; flashy, flamboyant; show-offs; rose-colored glasses; braggart; snobbish.
Virgo	Feel inferior; jittery; hypochondriacs; critical; feel inadequate; fault-finding; impossibly high standards.
Libra	Secretive; iron fist in velvet glove; dominating; self-willed; anything to be liked; dislike hard work; indecisive.
Scorpio	Battle within self; vindictive, vengeful; sarcastic; jealous; resentful; stubborn; proud; don't get mad, get even!; problems in relationships; extremist; secretive.
Sagittarius	Scattered; unorganized; undisciplined; superficial; glib; con artists; tactless; gamblers; hard to pin down; gypsyish; won't settle down; hucksters; non-traditional; procrastinators; the bachelor sign.
Capricorn	Worrier; cautious; fearful, insecure; slow to accept change; stifles originality; repressive; unsentimental; embarrassed by emotion; shy; cold; calculating; selfish; stickler for rules; false pride; materialistic; disciplinarian; "street angel, house devil"; pessimistic; social climber; dreary; opportunistic; seek power, control freak.
Aquarius	Rebellious; problems with intimacy and in marriage; inflexible; critical; demanding; cold, detached; unpredictable; impersonal; outrageous; stubborn; non-committal; controversial.
Pisces	Moody; escapist; feel inferior, unworthy; self-indulgent; lazy; overworked; alcoholic or drug-prone; martyrs; gullible; impressionable; unrealistic; suffer through empathy; deep suffering; dependent; daydreamer; can't handle money well or drugs, alcohol; self-pity.

HOUSE	KEYWORDS (use for either house placement)
1	Appearance, personality, nativity, habitual manner, outlook on life; window to view the world; "mask," natural disposition, temperament; self-interest; (head and face)
2	Ownership, resources, possessions, financial standing, financial prospects, values, strongest desires; manner of meeting obligations; earning and spending capacity; (throat and ears)
3	Your thoughts; relating to your environment; dexterity; early education; short journeys; siblings; acquaintances, neighbors, community, brethren; writings, news, contracts; rumors; memory, perception, speech; basic skills, studies, mental ability, concrete thought; (shoulders, arms, hands, lungs, collar bones, nervous system)
4	Base of operations, home, inner world, soul, hidden self, domestic matters, birthplace, residence; end of matters, latter part of life; real estate and property; less dominant parent; (breasts, stomach, digestive organs)
5	Self-expression, offspring of the self; personal stamp; romantic matters of the heart, the love principle; children; speculation, amusement, entertainment; crafts, dramatics; love affairs; pleasurable emotions; (heart, back)
6	Employment, employees; health; domestic pets, small animals; service, working conditions; construction details, routines, servants; food, hygiene, clothing; (solar plexus, bowels)
7	Relationship, marriage, partnerships, cooperation; the lower courts, open adversaries, unions; contracts, lawsuits; the general public; (kidneys, ovaries, lower back)
8	Sex; regeneration, death; psychic abilities; legacies, inheritance, gifts, partner's possessions and finances, taxes, other people's money, insurance, stock market, investments, joint business matters; astral realm; (muscles, bladder, sex organs)
9	Religion, philosophy; superconscious mind, intuition, inspiration, faith, abstract thought; the law; spiritual visions, dreams; long journeys, foreign countries, expanded horizons, distant travel, other cultures; publishing; in-laws; higher education, philanthropy; (liver, thighs)
10	Prestige, public honor, social standing, public persona; dominant parent; profession, career, occupation, fame, how world sees you; promotion, reputation; employers, nature of work; politics or government matters; (knees)
11	Goals, objectives; friendships, social relationships, group affiliations; hopes, ambitions, wishes; organizations, associations; money from profession; (ankles)
12	Hidden matters, secrets, secret enemies; subconscious; confinement; Initiation, service to humanity, charity; karma; God's Grace; self-undoing; limitations; "ripe destiny"; hospitals, clinics, institutions; seclusion; occult; large animals; (feet)

goal. (While you're at it, do the same with the South Node, except use the negative meanings of these, and you'll get a handle on where you've been taking the path of least resistance or avoiding growth.)

Here's a very basic start for thinking about your North Node:

POSSIBLE KARMIC TASK

Now to play "mix and match" to find your possible karmic task in this life! Try putting together something from the table of signs (positive) with something from the table of houses to figure out your true life goal. Then use the table of signs (negative) with the house table to see where you might be stuck or acting self-destructively. If you have, say, a North Node in Aquarius in the twelfth house, your fulfilling karmic task might be to play a behind-the-scenes role in a progressive humanitarian organization that brings friendships as well as service. (In your past life—that Leo South Node in the sixth—you might have focused far too strongly on gaining recognition for talents and ego needs; your current "job" will require a far less self-important role.)

Or, suppose you have a North Node in Virgo in the fifth house. Here you might strive to develop a practical, detailed form of heartfelt creativity, such as carefully crafted but useful decorative household items that would sell well, instead of past-life dreamy and idealistic visions that were imaginative but did not pay the bills (Pisces South Node in the eleventh).

A client had a North Node in Gemini in the fourth, conjunct the IC. Wanderlust was strong (Sagittarius South Node and MC), but so were roots, family, and social ties. Having raised a family in a large house from which she also ran her profession, she sold it and bought a large RV (mobile home) and set off to make her way to her be near her son in a distant place, thus satisfying the messages of both the North and South Nodes in one fell swoop. Along the way, she plans to vis-

it all her friends around the country and to make new ones (Gemini).

Another person, an artist with a stellium in Leo but a North Node in Aquarius in the fourth house, long resisted setting up a website of his offerings, until, very frustrated by lack of sales, found a friend (Aquarius) to help him with the technology (Aquarius), and is now doing well in a worldwide market run from his home (fourth house).

Astrology is like a puzzle to be solved. You'll be well on your way to awareness of your life's challenge by playing this simple yet infinitely useful pursuit.

9. BECOME LOVE

Two simple words, but one of our most difficult tasks. Not needing love, just reflecting it, radiating from the heart.

If astrology is teaching us that we're all here to express the self and simultaneously to complete a life mission, then everyone is doing their best at life and should ideally be encouraged as well as cut some slack in this hard work. Insight and compassion. Wouldn't it be great if everyone walked around with a badge identifying his/her life task and how much success they were having with it so far, instead of being pigeonholed by labels of fame, looks, wealth, etc.? It might be so much easier, then, to keep one's heart open to another, rather than getting all messed up with our own emotions, reactions, and expectations.

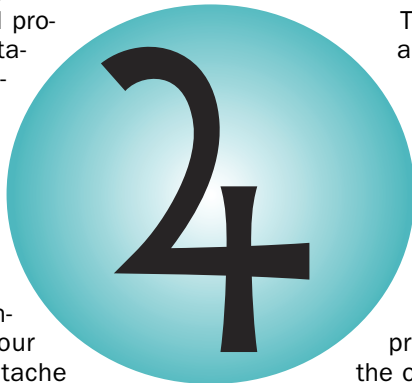
A client assured himself of reaching deep compassion in this life by choosing a very painful energy pattern. At age forty-four, through a series of progressed aspects impacting dynamic natal patterns, the stage was set—he'd have nowhere else to go but inwardly toward spiritual awakening and an unrequited but deeply opened heart. A married Libran, with a North Node in Libra on his Sun forming a Grand Cardinal Cross with a fifth-house Saturn in Capricorn opposite the Moon in Cancer in the eleventh house, and in-

cluding Venus at the last possible minute and degree of Leo rising in his first house conjunct impassioned Pluto, he had always longed for his true soul mate. Ironically, he met and lost her as progressed Venus and progressed Ascendant approached a conjunction to his natal Sun/Node (true love) but a square to his natal and progressed Saturn (obstacles), while his progressed Moon entered Pisces (self-sacrifice) in his seventh house (relationships). Unable to bear leaving his wife and children (Libran stellium, Cancerian Moon), but confronted with three-four years of romantic heartache (the Libran soul longing), he is faced with little choice but to learn the lessons of higher love—for his family, for his understandably indecisive lover (he won't leave them for her), and for himself. His wife, apprised of the situation, has chosen to remain in the marriage. And even if the illicit relationship periodically resumes over the given stretch of years, there can be no happy resolution because, by progression, the message of thwarted soul-mate love remains in effect. What a pickle!

Why would anyone choose such an emotional melodrama? That it's karmic is indisputable, but as punishment or retribution? No, modern astrology holds to a more mature belief system. We are all here to evolve, and we no longer see stark contrasts of good and evil, only duality as inherent in the physical world. It's all just the game the soul is playing with itself to learn the greatest wisdom it can gain from planet Earth. And in this case, the soul—playing the “game” of love affairs—is assuring itself that it must reach unconditional love (giving without the need to receive), or else remain in misery.

Wouldn't it be terrific to achieve this enlightened fourth-chakra, open-heart stage without plunging into desolation? Perhaps astrology can be the device that shows the way.

10. APPRECIATE YOUR BLESSINGS (JUPITER)



Think of Jupiter not simply as the Great Benefic, but as that which is accompanying you throughout your entire journey, allowing what must manifest to do so in order for you to accomplish your task. If Saturn is the Taskmaster, Jupiter is the door-opener, the provider in your universe, the opportunity you absolutely

require to bring the whole game into play and keep it going. Not just luck, Jupiter is that which enables you to continue to be.

You took Jupiter along to give you the cushion to ride upon, to pave the road ahead that you must walk down, and to bail you out when the going gets too tough. What's a blessing anyhow, if not the stroke of God that changes the odds in your favor when the going gets rough? Just as you need your teacher, you also need your sustainer.

Where's Jupiter in your chart, and what is it promising that it will always make available to you? Here are some clues: In Aries, it is the sustenance of physicality and the self; in Taurus, of the material world and its abundance; in Gemini, of social interaction and the gift of gab; in Cancer, of home and family; in Leo, of talent and “heart”; in Virgo, of care and usefulness; in Libra, of refinement and others' attraction; in Scorpio, of insight and power; in Sagittarius, of the broad perspective; in Capricorn, of material mastery; in Aquarius, of originality; and in Pisces, of spiritual connection.

PULLING IT ALL TOGETHER

By now, you should be able to write your mission statement. What does your chart tell you about your soul choices? What are you here to do? (It doesn't matter if it's only for your own needs, or if it serves others, or even the world. As long as you can express it, you can see your true task, your heart's desire. Then you are on your way.)

Study your chart, and make some educated guesses. It's okay to change this mission statement as your insight grows, so don't hesitate to state something right now. By attempting to see your life task wisely, you'll have made a priceless beginning. Next, write down five or ten ways you can implement your mission from now on, keeping in mind the Top Ten Measures of using astrology to become wise.

It's my hope that we will refrain from using astrology—that great gift of a divine tool—as simply a fortune-telling methodology and instead use its messages and keys to understand what we're doing here, what “the meaning of life” is for each and every one of our unique selves. And by raising astrology to this level, the tool shows us how to become wiser, and becomes shinier and brighter itself as it does so.

Wisdom is the one thing that makes life easier. It does not make it richer, nor more romantically satisfying, nor healthier, nor any of the things that are chased and sought after, for those are under the category of desire. Wisdom gives the means to achieve all of those, for it is the one inner tool that allows you to reach, from a centered and joyful place,



The sixth house rules the place of employment and one's capacity to be of service, but it does not on its own describe one's relations with co-workers. This is also a concern of the third house, which rules one's neighborhood or the immediate environment, wherever one happens to be. Both the third and sixth houses are ruled by Mercury, the planet that describes how we communicate or get along with others in our daily lives. Co-workers can be seen, in a sense, as a part of the “neighborhood” of the workplace.

that which the world is offering. It makes life's game so much easier to endure, and so much more fulfilling than when lived with only a meager amount of it. So, if you wish to seek something in this life, do not choose the desire as the first goal, but choose the inner reward first, and the desire will follow. That is what is meant by choosing wisely. Then you will see your life blossoming into its best manifestation, and your heart's desire within reach.

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Dear Readers: This is another notable reprint from the archives of Dell HOROSCOPE that appeared in the January 2005 issue. Offering timeless wisdom for the start of a new year, especially one as meaningful as 2018 will be, when I reread it, I said, “This deserves to be heard again,” so I share this with you as a New Year's gift.

—Ronnie Grishman



Looking Ahead

BUSINESS

Advertise, sell, canvass, sign papers: Jan. 3, 18, 22. **Submit manuscripts:** Jan. 8, 18, 27. **Make collections:** Jan. 9, 10, 11, 15, 16, 25. **Seek employment, promotion, favors:** Jan. 3, 15, 16, 25. **Deal with bankers or credit people:** Jan. 13, 18, 25. **Travel by car, bus, or train:** Jan. 6, 13, 27; **by air:** Jan. 8, 18, 22; **by water:** Jan. 2, 9, 10, 11, 19, 20, 21. **Buy an automobile, machinery, tools, implements:** Jan. 6, 15, 16, 25. **Buy or repair home appliances:** Jan. 2, 8. **Buy home furnishings:** Jan. 2, 15, 16, 19, 20, 21. **Buy permanent home or office, sign long-term leases:** Jan. 2, 8, 15, 16.

HOMEMAKING

Baking: Jan. 2, 6, 25. **Canning:** Jan. 2, 6, 9, 10, 11. **Preserves and jellies:** Jan. 2, 6, 9, 10, 11, 15, 16. **Dehydration or drying:** Jan. 3, 13, 22. **Dressmaking, mending, designing:** Jan. 8, 18, 27.

THE WAY TO LOVE, BEAUTY, HEALTH

Romance, entertainment, weddings: Jan. 3, 8, 18. **Photography:** Jan. 9, 10, 11, 19, 20, 21, 27. **Buy clothing and jewelry:** Jan. 6, 18, 25. **Buy shoes:** Jan. 6, 19, 20, 21, 25. **To stimulate growth of hair, have trims, start scalp treatments:** Jan. 2, 9, 10, 11, 15, 16, 22. **Retard growth of hair:** Jan. 3, 8, 13. **For permanent waves on hard-to-curl hair:** Jan. 9, 10, 11, 22; **easy-to-curl hair:** Jan. 2, 19, 20, 21. **To eliminate corns, calluses, warts, blemishes, superfluous hair, begin treatments:** Jan. 6, 15, 16. **Diathermy, electrical and magnetic treatments:** Jan. 8, 18, 27. **Osteopathy and chiropractic:** Jan. 3, 9, 10, 11. **Mental healing:** Jan. 2, 9, 10, 11, 19, 20, 21. **Testing eyes:** Jan. 3, 13, 22. **To wean infants or animals:** Jan. 6, 25. **Begin dental work:** Jan. 6, 15, 16, 25. **Begin an exercise regimen:** Jan. 3, 6, 8, 13, 22. **Begin a diet:** Jan. 1 to 15.

LEISURE-TIME ACTIVITIES

Music, poetry, painting: Jan. 3, 8, 18. **Fishing:** Jan. 2, 9, 10, 11, 13, 19, 20, 21.

FARMING

Plant top crops: Jan. 16 to 31. **Plant root crops:** Jan. 1 to 15. **Budding, grafting, pollinating blossoms, or transplanting:** Jan. 2, 9, 10, 11, 25. **Pruning:** Jan. 3, 15, 16, 27. **Seeding grain, hay, cereals:** Jan. 6, 25, 27. **Cultivating, grubbing, trimming, spraying, deadening noxious growths and weeds, destroying pests:** Jan. 15, 16, 22, 27. **Set poles, fence posts; make cement or concrete; lay cornerstones or foundations:** Jan. 6, 15, 16, 25. **Digging, drilling, tunneling, mining:** Jan. 2, 9, 10, 11, 19, 20, 21. **Dig or drill wells:** Jan. 2, 19, 20, 21. **Harvest top crops, pick fruit:** Jan. 2, 6, 25. **Harvest potatoes and other root crops:** Jan. 9, 10, 11, 15, 16, 19, 20, 21. **Set chicken and turkey eggs:** Jan. 2, 25. **Set duck eggs:** Jan. 2, 19, 20, 21. **Set goose eggs:** Jan. 9, 10, 11, 19, 20, 21. **Buy poultry hatched on:** Jan. 2, 6, 25.



***Are you curious to learn more about sex?
Have you had a liberating sexual experience?
Are you yearning for a soul mate to have sex with?
Are you fearful about sexually connecting with another person?
Do you obsess about sex?
Do you wonder if you might be a sex maniac?***



As the outer planets transit through your eighth house, questions about your sexuality may become finally clear.

The eighth house of your birth-chart, quite importantly, governs sex, one's behavior and attitude towards it, sexual desires, and sexual drive. While sex in the fifth house of your birth-chart is where you might experience procreational or recreational sex, the eighth house is concerned with even more *intimate* sex. It's the special "gift of sex," where you give yourself to the other person as your lover and soul mate. This isn't to say that sex that is experienced in the fifth house is not inti-

mate or personal, because it is. It's just that the sexual connection that occurs in the eighth house is distinguished by being very deep, profound, and intense.

As each of the five outer planets—Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune, and Pluto—transit through your eighth house, you may gain insights into your sexuality or have experiences that enrich your life. To illustrate the many possible ways that these transiting planets can affect your sexuality, I will share some of the experiences my clients have had. (Their names have been changed to protect their confidentiality.)

At the end of this article, you can use the *FREE Transit Calculator* to learn which planets are transiting your eighth house at this time.

TRANSITING JUPITER IN YOUR EIGHTH HOUSE OF SEX

When Jupiter transits your eighth house, it is a time to learn, grow, and enjoy sex.

Jupiter transiting here brings you the potential to learn about sex and experience it on a very intense, soul-mate level. As a result, you may find that a love relationship you have at this time brings you greater sexual enjoyment and pleasure than you have ever experienced before because you are sharing sex with your partner in a deeply profound, intimate way.

No matter how sexually experienced you are, Jupiter's influence makes it possible for you to learn, teach, and grow enthusiastically in your sexual relationship. You and your partner are able to gain a deep understanding of how powerful a sexual connection can be when two people in love merge their sexual energies into a single committed relationship, as May learned in the story below.

A VIRGIN'S TALE

Steven and May married when she was 18 and still a virgin with very little sexual knowledge. They enjoyed a good marriage. He provided for her and was a kind and caring partner. Unfortunately, Steven wasn't an experienced or sexual man, so they had very little passion in their relationship. In fact, they rarely had sex. And when they did, it ended very quickly, with May receiving little satisfaction. After a few months of marriage, May discussed her sex life with an older friend who listened and then explained that her husband was the same way. Her friend confided she would just have to accept that men were "just like that," concerned mainly with their own pleasure. Since May had

no other sexual experience to compare her relations with Steven, she accepted their sex life as the norm.

Tragically, Steven died in an accident at age 42 and May's life changed in many ways as she went through the grief and loneliness of being single again. Eventually, she met Randy at a social event at her church, and she immediately felt a special chemistry with him that she had never felt before. As they continued going out for a few months, their relationship deepened.

Then one night Randy made love to May in a very passionate, tender way that was more powerful than anything she had ever experienced. She was amazed at Randy's knowledge and skill as a lover, opening her up to a world of pleasure she never knew existed. The act of sex between them transformed May, making her realize the deep intimacy and pleasure that was possible between a man and a woman.

This story illustrates the joyful learning experience of sex through a deep love relationship. However, it should be noted: All the planetary transits through the eighth house make it possible for you to experience a passionate and intense sexual connection with another person even *without* love and commitment.

TRANSITING SATURN IN YOUR EIGHTH HOUSE OF SEX

When Saturn transits your eighth house, it is a time when you are likely to experience "tests and lessons," about being sexually responsible. Since the eighth house governs sex, this is when you may become aware of the power of your sexuality and its impact on your life. You will likely learn lessons about the way sex functions in your relationships and regard sex in a more serious manner, whether you are having it or not.

Saturn's transit here forces you to be responsible for the way you conduct your sex life or face the consequences. For ex-

ample, not being sexually responsible can result in an unwanted pregnancy occurring during this transit. Therefore, if you're single and involved in a sexual relationship—with no desire to have children—make sure to use contraception during this period of your life.

Another way this transit manifests is for those who are in an intimate relationship. If your relationship is sexually unsatisfying, you may confront the underlying issues that cause it to be so. It is often during Saturn's transit through the eighth house that a married couple will experience a crisis that forces them to face the dissatisfaction or frustration they experience in their sexual relationship. For example, this is a time when upsets can occur because one partner wants more sex than the other. Or a partner's infidelities may be discovered during this transit, forcing them to take responsibility for their actions.

Saturn's energies demand that you be accountable for your sexual behavior or pay the consequences, as Brian found out.

A TEEN-AGE EXPERIENCE

Brian was in his senior year of high school, and like any teenager his testosterone levels were doing backflips. His new girlfriend, Victoria, was sweet and playful, but very naïve. They started going to parties and hanging out together, and they began to engage in kissing and heavy petting. Even though Brian pushed Victoria to go further, she always stopped him, reminding him she was a virgin and wanted to stay that way.

One evening they came back to her house after a party and her parents were already in bed. As they sat down on the couch and had some sodas, Brian complained that they needed to "spice up" their drinks. He was able to talk Victoria into raiding her parents' liquor cabinet and pouring some rum into their colas. Soon they were both drunk and they started kissing and touching, and one thing led

to another. The next thing they knew was they were having unprotected sex.

It didn't take long for them sober up enough to realize what they had done. A month later, a test showed that Victoria was pregnant. Saturn was transiting Brian's eighth house, and he was soon to learn a lesson about being sexually irresponsible.

A MAY-DECEMBER RELATIONSHIP

Of course, transiting Saturn in the eighth house has the potential of bringing a karmic sexual relationship into your life that seems predestined. It may be with someone with whom you feel a strong con-

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nection, who, while not fitting your exact pictures, satisfies all the practical needs you've wanted in a life partner. You may also find yourself in a loving and sexual relationship with a much older person who's there to teach you how to have a loving partnership.

In that case, you might find yourself being tested in ways that help you grow and mature like never before. I've had clients who've had a history of behaving childishly in their relationships. Then, they met someone cultured, sophisticated, and authoritative whom they greatly respect and who helps them grow up.

This older person is able to mentor them, making them feel secure, teaching them about sex, and broadening their overall worldview. For that reason, it's probably not surprising that during Saturn's tran-

sit of the eighth house May-December romances between people with a considerable age difference between them occur.

TRANSITING URANUS IN YOUR EIGHTH HOUSE OF SEX

Uranus' transit through your eighth house can be a very sexually exciting time because its influence brings out your unconventional nature. Are you ready to "get your freak on"? If you have been wanting to let your hair down and be crazy like your friend who makes you blush by telling you about the wild places she and her husband make love, this is a period in your life when you could get your wish. Uranus' energies remove your inhibitions and give you a sense of freedom to experiment in your sex life, if you're so inclined.

If you're married, this may be the time when you reenergize sex in your marriage, making it exciting once again. Also, know that it can be a time when a married person might be tempted to engage in extramarital affairs.

Uranus' transit here can bring you a new, exciting, and unusual sexual relationship or adventure that is totally different than you have experienced before. It will likely be intense, unpredictable, and unstable and may end as quickly as it started, but the sexual excitement that Uranus brings can be intoxicating and liberating.

JOIN US AT THE NUDE BEACH

Tony and Penny were on their first ocean cruise enjoying a tropical vacation and meeting interesting people. Hand-in-hand, they walked into the ship's dining room and were seated at a table with a very stylish couple, Alec and Ursula. After ordering champagne, they talked about all



the entertaining events on their cruise, and, by the second bottle, everyone was feeling loose and relaxed. Penny commented about how cold Indianapolis was at this time of the year and what a pleasure it was to wear so little clothing.

Alec agreed and told them of their plans to visit their favorite nude beach club on the next shore excursion, sharing that he and Ursula found it so liberating to enjoy the freedom of being naked and uninhibited. Penny looked at Tony and finally said, "Tony and I are here celebrating our 18th anniversary, and I have to admit that the folks back home would be shocked if we told them we went to a nude beach club!" Alec gave her a mischievous look and said, "Why don't you forget about telling them. Come with us tomorrow and spend the day at the club. It

will give you a fun experience and an exciting memory of your 18th anniversary you'll never forget." Penny and Tony smiled and gave each other a look that said, "I'm game...if you are?" Finally, Tony raised his glass and proposed a toast, "To a new friendship and new experience tomorrow!"

The liberating experiences you have during Uranus' transit through your eighth house may be a catalyst for major transformation in your sexuality, and in your own psychological behavior. It may even free you from restrictions that have tempered your sexual freedom in the past. At this time, there is nothing holding you back from doing whatever you please! It is as if a big weight has been lifted off your shoulders. You are feeling independent, in a unique frame of mind to seek adventure, experiment, and be sexually liberated in ways you've never been before, as David discovered.

GROWING UP WITH CHRISTIAN VALUES

David was raised with very Christian values that included remaining a virgin and saving himself for marriage. Being abstinent had been a way of life for him for many years. Quite frankly, it was a challenge to remain a virgin amidst so many friends who felt free to enjoy sex before marriage. He felt envious at times when his college friends would come home from dates and tell him about their sexual experiences at some wild frat party. The truth was he lived vicariously through his roommate Jim, who had regular sex with his girlfriend. However, David remained steadfast and committed to being abstinent until marriage.

That changed when Uranus transited his eighth house and he began having wild and rebellious thoughts, asking himself why he was so committed not to having sex before marriage. What was the point? Growing up he'd succumbed to both parental and religious pressure, but now, he was free to make his own decisions and live his life as he thought best. He felt an urgent need to assert his independence and enjoy the forbidden fruit of premarital sex.

One evening he went to a get-together at a friend's house where he bumped into Jessie, a very attractive girl he'd met at several other parties. She seemed very interested in him. As they chatted, she was easy to talk to, asking lots of questions about his life and social background. He was open in discussing his religious upbringing and limited experience in relationships. She surprised him by confiding her own dilemma about saving herself for marriage after being raised by a strict, churchgoing father. Then she excited him by telling him about the first time she had sex, how much she loved it, and the freedom it brought her.

She talked about her experience in such a natural and inviting way that he found himself aroused and attracted, as

if he'd finally found his liberator. Reading his mind, she leaned over mischievously, whispered in his ear, grabbed his hand, walked with him into a bedroom, and locked the door. When he came out, he felt like a new man. That's how quickly and spontaneously Uranus can bring you an experience that will change your life.

For some people, especially those who are already in a relationship, this may be a time when you may be drawn to a new relationship as a way of escaping the dull routine of your old one. There's something exciting about a new person who comes into your life. A new love relationship or an exciting affair can be a very appealing and thrilling way of escaping from your present relationship. Suddenly, the man who just started coming to your yoga class looks very intriguing. The exotic-looking woman who just moved into your apartment building and gave you a big smile and a warm hello seems so inviting.

SEXUAL LIBERATION

Be aware that one of the manifestations of Uranus' transit through the eighth house is that you may have a wild, unusual, and unstable love affair that is often erratic and unreliable. One client enjoyed the excitement of his on-and-off relationship with a flight attendant who he had seen frequently during her 10-day furlough and then not again for two weeks while she was flying. Another client was enthralled with her affair with a foreign-exchange student here on a six-month internship, but anxious about what would happen to their relationship when he returned to his country.

Just be prepared that if you do have a sexual relationship, this is a time when the romance you attract is likely to be exciting, improbable, and rather free-spirited. It may very well be with someone who's very different from you, either in ethnicity, age, or background. But no matter what, you're likely to find the sexual relationship exciting and liberating. However,

be on notice that relationships that begin during this time often end just as suddenly.

One female client had been faithful her entire 18-year marriage, never thinking of looking at another man. However, here she was: 42 years old and bored with a workaholic husband she hadn't had sex with in months. Still, she was shocked at herself, flirting with a young man in his late 20s at her gym. But she couldn't deny that for the first time in her life the idea of a thrilling sexual affair was exciting. What was happening to her?

Another client became aware of his true sexual nature during his Uranus transit. He enjoyed dating women, even though he once experimented by having a brief sexual relationship with a man; otherwise, his dating was exclusively with women. He shared with me that for some time, he'd been feeling that dating women seemed boring and unfulfilling. Something was missing for him because he felt so inauthentic and couldn't deny the attraction he felt for men. He became aware that instead of being bisexual, he was really gay. The time had come for him to enjoy the freedom and excitement that only a relationship with a man would offer him.

A SWINGER'S PARTY EXPERIENCE

But one of my favorite stories of the unexpected surprise that Uranus can bring happened to a female client of mine. Ironically, while she was quite an adventurous sort, always open to trying anything "once," she was unprepared for her Uranian moment. Her husband told her to get dressed up because he was taking her to a surprise party at a big mansion.

When she got to the party, she saw a bunch of couples she'd never met before. The women were all dressed in very alluring, sexy outfits and lots of see-through tops. After using the powder room, her first surprise came when she walked by a big bedroom and heard what sounded like

moans of passion. She rejoined her husband for a drink, smiling and remarking to him, "They sure are a friendly bunch of people." Her second surprise was when her smiling husband replied, "They should be—this is a Swingers Party! Would you like to know the rules of engagement?"

All these clients had Uranus transiting their eighth house. Its influence provided each of them the opportunity to break free of their normal way of having a relationship in favor of the freedom to experiment and create a new more sexually liberating type of relationship.

TRANSITING NEPTUNE IN YOUR EIGHTH HOUSE OF SEX

When Neptune transits your eighth house, it is an excellent time to explore your inner self and your feelings about your sexuality. You may discover that your sexuality is very closely tied to feeling romantically attracted to another person.

During this time, you learn more about your own psychological drives as they concern sex so that you can understand the way your subconscious mind works. This exploration into the deepest aspects of your psyche may allow you to make necessary changes in your sexual behavior that may not have been possible before.

Your ability to better understand yourself offers the opportunity to free you from anxieties, fears, and obsessions about your sexuality—that have troubled you all your life. For that reason, it's an excellent time to delve into your inner self and heal any sexual or psychological problems that have limited you. This may be when you'll see a therapist or join a group that will help you make discoveries and find answers.

Patty continues to attract men who are selfish and uninterested in her sexual needs and doesn't understand what aspects of her personality and behavior cause this to happen so often. Gordon has always been romantically shy around women and doesn't know why meeting them has always been so uncomfortable

for him. Gena is tired of having relationships with men who are commitment-phobic and only interested in having a sexual relationship with her. She wonders why she attracts those men into her life?

Neptune's influence may help these people find answers to their questions. The energies of Neptune allow you to detach from your ego so that you can more objectively understand your sexual and psychological motivations and transform the deepest part of your inner being. You'll notice that you're able to make a connection to your creative and intuitive self.

In whatever house that Neptune transits, one must always be careful of illusion and fantasy. The eighth house is no exception. Neptune's influence can be magical, bringing illusion and fantasy to your love and sex life. This can be the perfect time to find an ideal romance as long as you don't let your idealism cause you to have unrealistic expectations or put someone on a pedestal from which they will fall. Therefore, it is important to make sure your romantic relationships are grounded in reality and not some fantasy you saw in a movie or read in a book.

During this transit, it is easy to have your amazing sexual connection cause you to believe in fairy tales and romantic myths. While your heart may be wide open for love, which is wonderful, it's not a time to ignore reality. If you meet someone to whom you're romantically and sexually attracted, avoid overridealizing that person. If you do, when they show their human side, you will be disappointed and you may even feel deceived.

Also, be especially aware that during this time, love affairs are often not what they seem. You may find yourself falling in love with someone's image rather than who they really are. For example, during this transit, you may fall in love with someone who's not available, whether it's because they're already married or because of some strange, unusual, or even mysterious circumstance.

IS IT LOVE OR SEX?

In consultations, many clients express such a deep desire to find a fulfilling love relationship that they mistake a powerful sexual connection for a love connection with someone they sense is their "soul mate." So let me share three different romantic experiences that occurred when Neptune transited the eighth house.

Kathy had seen an attractive stranger on her commuter train for weeks. A friendly conversation turned into a cup of coffee, which turned into a dinner date, which turned into a hot night of sex at a hotel, which turned into meeting every week at that hotel. One day, her new love interest confessed that he was married with two children and not available for anything more than an affair.

Brad couldn't believe his luck meeting such a charming young woman at a party. The whole evening was spent talking to each other as if no one else was there. She had a vivacious personality, crazy and fun to be with. He invited her back to his place, where they talked for a few more hours, eventually making love and finally going to sleep. He woke in the morning to find a note on his nightstand saying, "Brad, I had a great evening. Sorry to have to tell you this: I'm serving time at the state prison where I'm incarcerated. Don't worry—I didn't kill anyone; it was a drug-related sentence. But for good behavior, I was given an overnight pass as part of a special work-release program. I'm sure this all sounds weird, but I really enjoyed meeting you. Thanks for a fun time."

Barbara was head over heels over a gorgeous man she met at a career networking party. After three of the most fun dates she'd ever had, he confessed he was bisexual and explained to her that if she wanted to continue their relationship, she'd have to accept his lifestyle.

Neptune's transit here can often bring out a secret that a person has hidden from their partner.

A SECRET INFIDELITY REVEALED

This happened to a client of mine who had pledged fidelity to his wife, and for many years he had been faithful. However, on a recent business trip, he cheated for the first time in their 12-year marriage. He was at the hotel bar having a nightcap when he met a very attractive graduate student. After sharing a few drinks with her, one thing led to another, and they went up to his hotel room and had sex.

Afterwards, he felt horribly guilty about his infidelity, but he rationalized that being honest about his affair would only hurt his wife's feelings. Unfortunately, for my client, he had Uranus transiting his twelfth house, so he wasn't prepared for the shock of his doctor telling him that he'd contracted an STD (sexually transmitted disease).

The doctor advised him, for obvious health reasons, to send his wife into the clinic for an examination (and contact the graduate student). He was forced to make a full, upsetting confession to his wife and face the consequences. In his case, Uranus' influences freed him from having to carry around the guilt of lying and being unfaithful to his wife. This incident also gave him and his wife the opportunity to confront the underlying reasons that led to his infidelity.

TRANSITING PLUTO IN YOUR EIGHTH HOUSE OF SEX

When Pluto transits your eighth house, you experience personal growth and a deeper psychological understanding of yourself, which can lead to your sexual transformation.

This is a time of profound change when

you may find yourself letting go of sexual attitudes and behavior that no longer fit who you are and may be inappropriate to your relationships. If you need to make some major alteration in your sexuality, this may be when you begin. Now is when you can do deep work on yourself to become the sexually intimate person you have always wanted to be.

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deep and intimate way, you might experience more sexual passion than you ever have before with a lover because your sexual relationship feels so intense and transformational. There is a deep connection between you and your partner, arousing powerful and compulsive feelings of love, which unite you as soul mates.

While your sex life can be transformed in a very positive and profound way during this Pluto transit, such as those clients who were sexually awakened or who lost their vir-

ginity at this time, it's also possible to experience a radical change that results in the *death* of your old sex life.

THE DEATH OF SEX

Donald had been a very sexual man from the time he was a teenager and through his 20s. When he got married in his 30s, he continued to enjoy a wonderful and intense sexual connection with his wife. Their relationship continued this way for many years through his 50s, though he frequently used medical drugs, such as Viagra, to enhance his performance. Sex seemed a natural part of his life and the deep connection he shared with his wife. When he turned 60, however, he started noticing a shift in his interest in sex, sexual appetite, and the frequency

with which he had sex with his wife, and, of course, she did, too.

Donald consulted his urologist, who explained that based on the normal aging process and decreasing testosterone levels, sexual appetites changed for men like him; otherwise Donald was very healthy. The doctor asked Donald how often he had sex with his wife. When he replied, "At least once a week," his doctor patted him on the back saying, "Congratulations, your sexual frequency puts you in the upper one percent of all men at 60. Hey stud, quit your complaining."

While that news might have sounded good to his doctor, it was depressing to Donald. Of course, intellectually he knew a man's body changed as he aged; yet that answer wasn't very satisfying for him. He talked about sexual frequency with other men friends who had also slowed down and had less interest in sex, as well as those who talked of having sex more frequently than he did. What changed him from a man his wife often jokingly called a "sex-maniac" to a man with a waning sex drive with less interest in making love than before?

Donald came to me for a transit consultation with that very question, "What the hell is going on in my sex life?" It was easy to understand the physical change he was experiencing because Pluto was making an important transit to his eighth house, transforming Donald's sexuality. This was creating a radical physiological change for him on one level and a major lifestyle change on another. The influences of his Pluto transit produced the "death" of his old sex life as it had been before.

I explained to Donald that he was now experiencing the rebirth of a new sexual life. This Pluto transit brought a sexual *right of passage* to his life. Yes, that might mean less frequent sex with his wife; however, he would still enjoy a deep, intimate, and satisfying sexual connection with her. Perhaps he would experience his "once a week" sex on a more profound level,

putting even more loving energy into it because of its new significance to him.

Understanding this transit's transformational effect released a lot of anxiety for Donald and helped him *accept* that his body had changed. He was no longer going to function like the young sexual man he was in the past years of his life.

A KARMIC LOVE CONNECTION

However, when Pluto transits the eighth house, it can signify the beginning of an intense romantic relationship between you and another person that will be based upon strong emotional feelings as well as deep sexual passions. Think of any true love story and you'll capture the intensity of Pluto's transit here. Romantic relationships that occur at this time may seem profound and even fated. You may feel all consumed or obsessed in ways you haven't been in your previous love affairs. There is something about the other person that attracts you like an insect to a spider's web (and sometimes just as dangerously).

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However, Pluto in the eighth house can be bad news for you if you're in a troubled or unhealthy romance. This is because Pluto's influence has the capacity to bring upheaval, destroying your relationship and causing it to end. But if a relationship is really meant to be, even if it has been interrupted, Pluto's energies can resurrect it to life, as this couple found out.

Barry and Laura grew up as teenage sweethearts dating until their sophomore year of high school. It all suddenly ended

when Laura's father received a promotion and moved the family to the West Coast. Barry and Laura were devastated at the news, and while they vowed never to forget each other, inevitably they lost touch.

Once college was over, Laura accepted her first job in Chicago, where she lived, enjoying the singles life. Barry accepted a job as sales rep in Milwaukee. He was so successful that he was going to be honored this year at the company's annual awards banquet in Chicago.

Barry arrived in the Windy City late on a Thursday night and met a bunch of the other sales reps for a drink at a club on Rush Street. Barry was raising his glass for a toast when, out of the corner of his eye, he saw a woman with a pretty face and long red hair looking in his direction. She looked like she had seen a ghost. Barry was sure he was looking at one, too. He thought his eyes were playing tricks on him, so he looked again. He thought, *No...it couldn't be. It looks like Laura!* The redhead's eyes locked on his once again. He could see tears streaming down her cheeks. For a moment Barry couldn't speak and was stunned at what he was seeing. It was Laura.

They couldn't believe how fate had drawn them together after so many years. After hugging and kissing each other, they finally sat down and spoke nonstop for the next two hours about their lives. The spark and the love-sexual chemistry were obviously still there. All they knew for sure was they had to see each other again.

OBSESSIVE SEX

When Pluto transits your eighth house, you may find yourself romantically and sexually obsessed with someone who's

not a good person with whom to be in a relationship. You may notice yourself having an irrational urge to be with this person even though you know they're not right for you. You can't explain why, but like a moth to a flame, you're drawn to them. All you know is that your sexual feelings are so intense that you want to possess the person. The opposite is possible

as well, where someone who's not right for you, nevertheless, is obsessed with wanting a relationship with you.

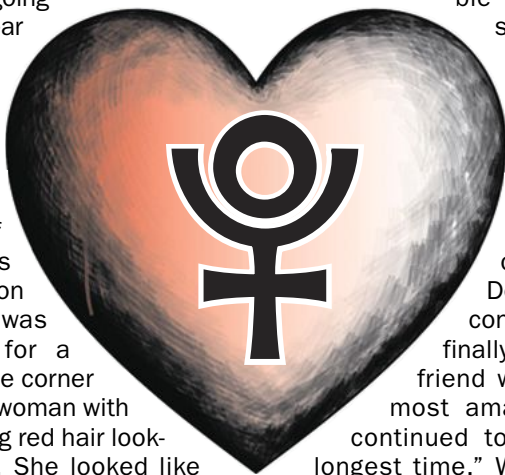
This unhealthy obsession played out with a new client, Douglas. He came for a consultation and said, "I finally got rid of an ex-girlfriend with whom I had the most amazing sex. She has continued to hound me for the longest time." When I looked at his transits, Pluto had just moved out of his eighth house of sex.

THE DARK SIDE OF PLUTO

There is also a dark side to transiting Pluto in the eighth house, since it rules criminal and underworld activities and people who are socially disaffected, who often represent a threat to society. This planet also rules the elements of life that are secret and behind the scenes. You need to be aware of this facet of Pluto's energies, since it transits this area of your life for approximately 21 years, leaving plenty of time for you to experience its influences.

Plutonian energies can manifest in behavior that's controlling, intimidating, coercing, and power-seeking; therefore, you need to be vigilant about the groups you socialize with and the friends you make during this time, in the event that you encounter those types.

During this time, you may be unex-



plainly attracted to certain people who may not have your best interests at heart. In fact, these people may be very bad for you, but nevertheless you may be drawn to them out of an unconscious compulsion of which you aren't even aware.

Years ago, Rodney, a very conservative, single client, met a new friend at a sporting event. That friend invited him to an exclusive party at a swanky high-rise apartment building where there would be lots of very "hot," attractive women.

Rodney walked into the social gathering and said hello to a very pretty hostess who brought him a drink and introduced him to a number of people, mostly women. One of the guests casually mentioned to Rodney that this was a private party hosted by a group of high-class prostitutes.

He was told that no illicit activities were going on *now*, because it was just a party among their friends. Once he was told this, he relaxed, amazed at how everyone was laughing and having fun, just like at any enjoyable party. Rather than grabbing his sports coat and leaving, he was amazed at how fascinated he was with the whole experience. He told me that he was thinking, *Oh my God, I'm at the apartment of a bunch of hookers! And, I'm having fun talking to these women like they were great friends.* He was enthralled. He felt a devilish pleasure, as if he was doing something illicit. Of course, the idea of having sex with one of them crossed his mind!

Rodney could not get rid of his fascination and attraction, eventually inviting one of the women out for a fun date. At the end of their evening, he went up to her apartment for a nightcap. It wasn't long before a loud knock on the door announced members of the vice squad, who came into the apartment and arrested Rodney as the woman's "john." Later on at the police station, he was told that even though he wasn't paying for sex, his date was a well-known prostitute, who had been implicated by one of her clients.

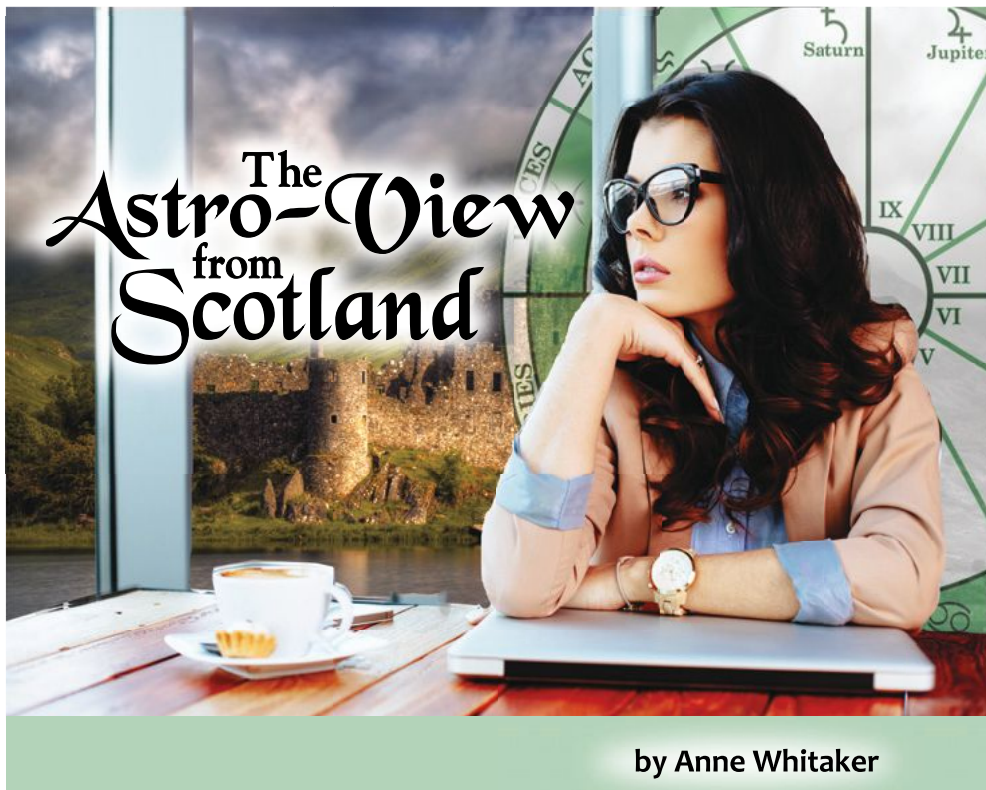
I tell that story because Pluto in the eighth house has a sexual "dark side" that can come into one's life in a very unsuspecting way. When Pluto travels through this house, be careful of putting yourself in any precarious situation or attracting the type of friends who might put you in danger. Always trust your intuition during this period of your life. If you sense there is something not "right" about someone you've met or the environment you are in, you're probably right. While you may have the self-control and good judgment that Rodney didn't possess, it's still easy to find yourself in unusual circumstances, where fate takes you for a walk down a street where you've never been. And you want to walk just a little bit further...even though you know you shouldn't.

HOW TO FIND WHICH OUTER PLANETS ARE TRANSITING YOUR EIGHTH HOUSE

You can find out which outer planets are transiting your eighth house by using the *FREE Transit Calculator* at www.astrodecision.com/Transits/index.php. Begin by inputting your birth information, including your exact time of birth. If you have the time and some basic understanding of astrology, you can use this information to learn more about how each transit is likely to bring change into your life. Or, if you prefer, you can order a customized report on the transits to understand how they are likely to affect you in the coming years.



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by Anne Whitaker

Anyone who has ever written a regular column will know that there are times when inspiration is—not to put too fine a point on it—notable by its absence. At other times, so many ideas are flying around that catching one by the tail to pin it down is, to say the least, tricky. And, you never know, as the last deadline is met and you can now relax for a few weeks, which set of conditions is going to prevail the next time.



So, Reader, there I was, new deadline appearing over the horizon, and...nada. Nix. Nothing. At all. Brain cell dry as an old chewed-up bone. In this situation there are generally two options: blind panic—or blind faith. I have six fiery planets. This is often a curse, let me tell you, but in the matter of column deadlines, it is a blessing. So, armed

with nothing but blind faith, I headed for the office.

To pass time sitting on the bus, I check my phone. Aha! There's a message on Messenger! A colleague is beginning a new project for the international company he works for, an unusual company where his boss is an astrology appreciator. He is making a podcast series on Turning Points:

asking people to talk for five minutes on the one decision that changed their lives forever. He is inviting me to contribute.

“Ping!!” went the brain cell, hit by a mini-bolt of inspiration. I had my topic. I’d ruminate on what it was that inspired me to take up, and continue, the long-term study and practice of astrology. That decision certainly changed MY life forever.

So—what was it?

Was it my youthful awe as I watched the northern lights enacting their glorious colourful dance just above the skyline near our house? Perhaps it was lying cozy in bed, listening to the roaring gales of January tearing the world apart—wondering what Power was behind that raging wind. Was it the growing excitement, as I grew up, of being able to spot familiar constellations in the clear, unpolluted night skies of my native island?

Or maybe the Fates had already decided, leaving me a clue to be decoded many years later, via the placement of Uranus, the astrologer’s planet, at 25° Gemini in the tenth house of my natal horoscope?

I have recently been revisiting the significance of the placement of Uranus’ discovery degree: 24°27’ Gemini,¹ in the horoscopes of those drawn to the practice of astrology. A dip into my horoscope collection, lifting out three male and three female birth-charts, has just found that all six prominent astrologers chosen have this degree either conjunct, square, or opposite natal planets, nodes, or angles: the lately deceased and much-missed Donna Cunningham, Michel Gauquelin, Liz Greene, Isabel Hickey, Johannes Kepler, and Noel Tyl.¹

Furthermore, when I was 27 years old, my progressed Sun crossed asteroid Urania, placed at 19° Virgo in my first house square tenth-house Uranus. That year, as mentioned in an earlier column, I had a totally random encounter with a pair of astrologers who predicted my future astrological career.

So—did I choose that career or did I come in with it already chosen? Was it Fate, or free will? We will, of course, never be able to answer that question. My conclusion, hardly stunningly original, is that we dance to the tune of both. There are times when the power of Fate feels strongly present. Other times, the unglamorous wrestle with inertia, poor judgment, and other ills to haul our lives into a reasonably satisfying shape that feels very strongly to be determined mainly by our own conscious efforts.

In the latter case, a major ingredient in the shaping process, in my opinion, is the power of inspiration. At 24 years of age, I was fortunate enough to have what I later realised was a mystical experience, something that has continued to inspire me. This may well have created a spiritual backdrop for the subsequent encounter with astrology as foreground; when I met those astrologers I was going through a crisis that involved wondering what, after all, my life was FOR...not an uncommon state for one’s late 20s!

Their accurate reading inspired me to investigate astrology further, initially via the UK’s Faculty of Astrological Studies. On discovering that I, too, could produce accurate and affirming feedback from those strange marks on a piece of paper that seemed helpful to people trying to understand themselves better, I was hooked. For the rest of my life.

Astrology has continued to inspire because it continues to challenge me. It challenges me because we are working with living energies, patterns whose essential meanings we have established over millennia, but whose manifestations are endless and only partly predictable. Despite decades of experience, I still get that tight, anxious feeling before every new client I see, being very aware of my responsibility at least to do no harm, at best to help the person before me see their life in a more constructive, bigger context.

I am, of course, always curious to find out what inspires people to engage with

astrology—and to keep going once they get there. There is an occasional series running on my blog, in which astrologers tell their interesting, unusual tales of inspiration and—of course!—an inevitable amount of perspiration...

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Footnotes:

1. All charts available free from Astrodienst: www.astro.com.



STOCK MARKET OUTLOOK

by **BILL MERIDIAN**

This is a month when most companies report earnings. This is especially important because these will be yearend earnings. On the 2nd, there is a direct Uranus station at 24° Aries. On the 6th, Mars conjoins Jupiter at 17° Scorpio. Jupiter at 19° Scorpio sextiles Pluto in Capricorn on the 15th. Mars at 29° Scorpio opposes the Uranian planet Admetus in Taurus on the 25th. The latter combination is actually bearish. Contacts from these configurations to the Sun, Moon, or angles of first-trade horoscopes of stocks are likely to make shares move.



PayPal (PYPL)

July 20, 2015, operates as a technology platform company that enables digital and mobile payments on behalf of consumers and merchants worldwide. PYPL reports on the 26th. The Uranus station is trine Jupiter all month. The stock is likely to rise on the earnings announcement.

Citigroup (C)

October 8, 1998, a diversified financial services holding company, provides various financial products and services for consumers, corporations, governments, and institutions worldwide. C will likely report near the 18th. On the 17th, progressed Mars is conjunct the progressed MC. I have not seen enough of these aspects to assess the effect. But I do know that a scan of transiting Mars conjunct the MC of all 100 NASDAQ stocks over 36 years tells us that this aspect has been bearish. I think that we can conclude that the progressed aspect will send the stock lower on the earnings announcement.

Intel (INTC)

August 7, 1981, designs, manufactures, and sells integrated digital technology platforms worldwide. Intel is also due to report near the 16th. This is a tough call, but I must come down on the side of caution. Transiting Saturn is exactly opposite the MC on the 5th. It is still in orb on the 22nd when Jupiter sextiles the progressed Sun. If INTC were reporting within one or two days of the 22nd, we would be bullish. But Saturn moves slowly and will still be opposite the MC with a separating 1.5-degree orb. It is best to avoid this stock for this month.

International Business Machines (IBM)

February 14, 1924, at 10:00 A.M., is due to report on the 25th. Transiting Jupiter trines progressed Uranus on the 28th. Uranus sextiles the Sun on the 17th. Uranus is the ruling planet for the industry, so these aspects carry heavier weight than they would in the charts of companies in other industries. On the 16th, we see that the converse progressed (CP) Sun at 19°19' Scorpio will have Jupiter passing over the CP Sun as Uranus sextiles it. This will likely bring bullish news from Big Blue that will rally the stock, the first big EPS surprise in many quarters.

Ebay (EBAY)

September 24, 1998, operates e-commerce platforms that connect various buyers and sellers worldwide. One year ago, I wrote that "If EBAY reports near the 20th, the stock will increase because Jupiter will be parallel the progressed Sun." The stock rose 5 percent in a day. The Sun-Jupiter parallel is one of the most reliable and bullish indicators. In 2018, the company is due to report near the 25th. On the 19th, Jupiter trines progressed Jupiter. The directed Ascendant trines Jupiter on the 22nd. On the 24th, Jupiter trines the CP MC. The stock is likely to appreciate on the announcement.

Starbucks (SBUX)

June 26, 1992, operates as a roaster, marketer, and retailer of specialty coffee worldwide. The company is due to report in the last week of the month. There are a number of mild Jupiter contacts that are likely to lift the shares. But do not hold the stock for long. SBUX may turn down in the first week of February.

Apple Computer (AAPL)

December 12, 1980, is due to report in the third week of the month. If AAPL reports within a day of the 19th, the shares are likely to rise. In this same month last year, I wrote,

"Uranus is trine the natal Sun on that day. Keep in mind, that Uranus is an 'industry planet.' It rules the industry that the company is in. This can give an extra boost to a technology stock than it would to a food or a railroad stock." The stock jumped from 121 to 128. AAPL may report on the last day of the month, the day of the Lunar Eclipse. As we know, any matters or announcements that occur on such days are fated; they take on a course that is unexpected. Saturn is separating from a conjunction to the progressed MC by about two degrees. This is enough warning to steer clear of the stock for now.

Amazon (AMZN)

May 15, 1997, is an online retailer. AMZN reports on the last days of the month. There is a mix of bullish and bearish aspects in the chart. Jupiter sextiles the progressed Ascendant, and Saturn opposes the CP Ascendant. The latter appears to be the stronger aspect, so we come away with a bearish conclusion.

Delta Airlines (DAL)

April 17, 1957, provides scheduled air transportation for passengers and cargo worldwide. The company is due to report at midmonth. In 2017, I wrote that "On the 22nd, Mars will be conjunct the MC, and on the 23rd, Saturn will be quincunx the progressed MC. Earnings will likely disappoint, and the stock will retreat." DAL shares fell from 50.9 to 47.2. If DAL reports on the 12th, shares are likely to move up. If not, there are no outstanding contacts, so the stock is likely to move with the market.

Halliburton (HAL)

September 15, 1948, at 10:00 A.M., provides a range of services and products to the upstream oil and natural gas industry worldwide. Last January, this column stated, "HAL is due to report near the 20th. Saturn will be sesquiquadrate the natal MC on the 16th, and Saturn will be conjunct the progressed Ascendant on

the 20th. The stock is likely to drop.” January 2017 was the high month for the first eight months of the entire year. HAL is due to report on the 23rd. If this is the date, then we can expect some mild appreciation due to some favorable Venus transits.

Google (GOOG)

August 9, 2004, builds products and provides services to organize Internet information and make it universally accessible and useful. The exact earnings release date has not been provided. Taking a look at the entire month, I would avoid this stock for now. Pluto is opposite the progressed MC at 19° Cancer all month. As longtime readers may recall, Pluto opposing the natal 6° Cancer MC was bearish for a year when Pluto was back at 6° Capricorn. I conclude that this aspect will have the same effect.

Netflix (NFLX)

May 23, 2002, an Internet television network, engages in the Internet delivery of television shows and movies directly to televisions, computers, and mobile devices in the United States and internationally. The company will likely report near the 18th. In 2018, this column stated, “The progressed Sun is exactly conjunct Saturn on the 7th, and it is

opposite progressed Pluto on the 9th. I have never seen this combination in a first-trade chart before, but I consider it to be bearish.” In retrospect, the stock rose, so this rare combination did not prove to be bearish. This year, the company will likely report near the 18th. Uranus is stationary on the progressed MC. Jupiter is contraparallel the progressed Mercury on the 15th. Jupiter opposes the CP Sun all month. The stock is likely to jump on the news.

Bemis Company (BMS)

September 13, 1966, invents, designs, and manufactures packaging products in North America, Latin America, Europe, and the Asia-Pacific. BMS may report near the 23rd. From the 20th to the 23rd, there are a string of soft aspects from Jupiter, culminating with the sextile of Jupiter to the Sun on the 23rd. BMS is likely to surprise on the upside and the share price will rise.

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EMPHASIS IS IN YOUR 10TH HOUSE. IT RULES

- Job interests and responsibilities
- dealings with important people
- efforts to attain your goals
- honors and popularity

YOU ACHIEVE THE GREATEST SUCCESS BY

- developing new business tactics
- taking care of parental matters
- attending to necessary chores
- solidifying your credit rating

YOU SHOULD AVOID

- letting others infringe on your time
- trying to do more than you can
- ignoring orders of authority
- risking your position in life

YOUR JANUARY HOROSCOPE AND DAILY ACTIVITY GUIDE

With the Sun, Venus, Saturn, and Pluto in earthy Capricorn, and the Full Moon in Cancer as the month begins, you can zero in on balancing business and personal concerns like a total boss. Uranus moves from retrograde to direct motion in your sign (2nd), raising feelings of rebellion, liberation, and independence that can be inspiring throughout January.

The conjunction of Mars, your ruler, and Jupiter in Scorpio on the 6th, followed closely by a last-quarter Moon, stirs sexy vibes and creative passions, but might rouse some insecurity in these areas, too. Meditation or another practice that balances chakras or energy can help protect such vulnerabilities.

When the Sun, Venus, and Pluto conjoin on the 9th, an attraction strengthens and personal determination receives a boost. It's easy to throw yourself wholeheartedly into activities that can advance a financial or occupational agenda while simultaneously doing good things for your community.

Because Mercury moves into your house of career and public profile on the 11th and conjoins taskmaster Saturn there on the 13th, people may frequently be uncooperative on the job or at home, but several square aspects with Uranus enhance your ability to

get your way through at least the 15th.

The New Moon on the 16th likely coincides with a cycle coming full circle. A self-help effort or process of taking inventory can be bolstered by carefully working through an area where progress is slow or by dealing delicately in an area where frustration looms large.

The urge to take the reins and direct an event or project according to your own tastes and vision rocks, rolls, and amplifies as Venus and the Sun each move into innovative, individualistic Aquarius, closely followed by some very pleasant sextile aspects from the 17th to 23rd. The first-quarter Moon, along with a conjunction of Mercury and Pluto, stresses the importance of following shrewd instincts and a wily strategy that encourages gains, protects from losses, and minimizes stress on funds. Mars' entrance into outgoing, adventurous Sagittarius on the 26th and the Blue Moon Lunar Eclipse on the 31st raise enthusiasm for a sporting, sexy, or competitive challenge.

Green Light Days: 2nd, 9th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 21st, 22nd, 23rd.

Red Light Days: 7th, 8th, 13th, 14th, 24th, 28th, 29th.

1ST MON. THE FULL MOON brings up insecurities, anxieties, and urgencies between home and work, which, for you, may represent your internal needs vs. what you want to achieve in the world.

2ND TU. A sense of benign belief may be knocked over by Uranus in your sign going direct, revving your engine unstably. Take care, too, with emotional attitudes, as people are insecure and vulnerable.

3RD WED. Seeing the good in others and being understanding counts on both soulful and business levels. It helps to realize our unity with others. Someone at work may be very kind or helpful.

4TH TH. The Leo Moon can bring dramatic developments to areas of the heart or a creative project, much of the activity before breakfast. Lunchtime accord, however, leads to a surprisingly good night.

5TH FRI. Predawn moods are harsh, restrictive, or punitive, arousing resentment maybe, especially if work-related. Later, show 'em who's boss by being controlled and confident in whatever you do.

6TH SAT. Wake up early to enjoy benefits. Then, travel plans snap, an impulsive idea turns unexpectedly into a funded holiday (a bonus?), enthusiasm reaches mysterious levels, and everyone's active!

7TH SUN. The Libra Moon brings others and their needs into your arena, unpleasantly so on one side or the other this morning. But if you put head and heart together instead, everyone benefits.

8TH MON. Whatever you're celebrating or being victorious in, you've got influential supporters cheering you—a new opportunity or alliance? Walk over emotional complications and take the steps to success!

9TH TU. Intensely transformative, influential relationships intoxicate the day. Is it passion or business? Avoid a power struggle and action is so effective you're a winner in romance and career!

10TH WED. Postmidnight sparks to act courageously leftover from yesterday's surge stay with you into the day. You want to use all the resources at hand. Consult your inner guide for the way to go.

11TH TH. Mercury enters Capricorn, setting your conscious thoughts on ambitions and public life. Under a supportive alliance, you can use your resources, your connection, and your own drive to succeed.

12TH FRI. There's great strength to use if you have to accomplish something. Be purposeful and focused. Don't get waylaid by careless gestures or moody interruptions. Travel could be a problem today.

13TH SAT. Serious goings-on or a down-forecast decision or news causes a quick break (you?) in a business relationship and arrogant, exaggerated responses. Be responsible, controlled, not rebellious.

14TH SUN. If yesterday featured impulsive disruptive behavior, another outburst of independence can replay today. It seems still authority and responsibility vs. a desire to be free and unconstrained.

15TH MON. If things have gone your way, there are fruits and rewards to reap from connected associates or deep funds coming your way. A new opportunity is expansive professionally and fiscally.

16TH TU. THE NEW MOON comes ready to plant—your ambitions and plans for success, that is. There are still powerful tides on your side, so set your business intentions and watch your influence grow.

17TH WED. The energies are askew from a variety of directions, so take care against accidents or hidden obstacles. Venus enters Aquarius, an odd sign in its own right, but draws fab friends your way.

18TH TH. The wee hours may find you anxious and restless, maybe angry, too, if leftovers from yesterday or what lies ahead have you bitter or resentful. Take the time you need to regain self-control.

19TH FRI. The Sun follows Venus into quirky Aquarius, maybe bringing you front and center with progressively likeable friends. Forgiveness and understanding play their role in repairing recent anger.

20TH SAT. There's more stability and agreement in relationships than there might have been. You can count on someone to be there and to be understanding. Dinnertime accord brings security, too.

21ST SUN. A sense of compassion and gratitude seems to make you more emotionally aware than usual. From this you want to take action that will help others, fix things, and supply and provide.

22ND MON. The Moon in your sign is yours for the taking, both the challenging and lovely, the latter of which brings contentment early morning and noontime.

23RD TU. The Aries Moon might feel more contentious today, without lovely breaks. Instead, it's a day of complications and impatience. A friend helps.

24TH WED. A secret is fuel and needs to be kept confidential. Don't let suspicions or resentment rule your mind. Go deep for that investigator's mind.

25TH TH. The dawn could come with good news and reviews. Bring your optimism and good fortune into the day and you're closing the deal by late night.

26TH FRI. Your ruler, Mars, enters optimistic, travel-oriented, fun-to-the-edge Sag, today making you anxious to get moving with whoever's going.

27TH SAT. Stimulating and attractive companions tempt you early today. Find lively activities for the group to keep restless impatience under control.

28TH SUN. The post-midnight hours are nerve-wracking and may cause a sudden change or include an outburst. Later, trapped emotions trip you up.

29TH MON. It's hard to see the forest for the trees when it comes to who's feeling what, especially in work vs. home conflict. Late night restores good feelings.

30TH TU. Morning observations can cause differences, but action later comes from your heart and brings a positive attitude and love with it.

31ST WED. THE FULL MOON charges up the social vs. the personal, with both sides wanting attention, you wanting freedom, and Mercury entering Aquarius.

Use each part of every day best by following the aspects in the Self-Guidance Chart.



EMPHASIS IS IN YOUR 9TH HOUSE. IT RULES

- contacts with people at a distance
- future projects and legal matters
- religious and spiritual affairs
- relatives through marriage

YOU ACHIEVE THE GREATEST SUCCESS BY

- attending to correspondence
- being willing to alter plans
- heeding the views of others
- making your aims known

YOU SHOULD AVOID

- arguing over beliefs and politics
- confiding in treacherous people
- making errors in judgment
- mixing up communications

YOUR JANUARY HOROSCOPE AND DAILY ACTIVITY GUIDE

There is top-notch advice available with the Sun, Venus, Saturn, and Pluto in earthy Capricorn and the Full Moon in perceptive Cancer as the month begins. Progress can be made by first taking it to heart and then putting it to practical use.

With Uranus returning to direct motion on the 2nd, you may need to overcome insecurity in an area where it's clear that a little change will do you good.

By the end of the first week of January, the conjunction of assertive Mars and beneficent Jupiter in your house of relating has you craving meaningful physical or emotional intimacy.

By the 9th, much of your attention gradually shifts to business, money, and a purchase you strongly wish to make. Is it tech-related? For business? Plans that are well grounded in common sense or necessity can create a healthy anchor as Mercury and Saturn conjoin on the 13th, followed soon after by the New Moon (16th).

A few high-strung squares formed by electric, unstable Uranus mean that some who cross your path may seem determined to make waves, so you'll be exceptionally happy—and productive—when secured in confidence. It's unusually compelling to enter "the stubborn zone" as Venus on the 17th and the Sun on the

19th enter kindred fixed-sign Aquarius, but try not to take it so far that it's alienating or off-putting to your closest crew. Relaxed and romantic vibes are stimulated by some sweet sextile aspects, and a sensually imaginative conjunction of Mercury and Pluto on the 24th can be most thoroughly appreciated when communication and emotional connection are smooth. Take great advantage.

After energetic Mars moves into fiery Sagittarius on the 26th, appetites take off. If you indulge every whim, however, there could be a weight gain, build-up of extra goods and clutter, a shocking bill, or an "it's complicated" relationship development with which to contend in the not-too-distant future.

Intellectual Mercury heads into Aquarius on the 31st, sharing the date with the Blue Moon Lunar Eclipse in Leo and enhancing your ability to identify neatly the way forward that's best for you, an entrepreneurial or company venture, and/or your spouse and family.

Green Light Days: 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 20th, 22nd, 25th, 27th.

Red Light Days: 7th, 8th, 13th, 14th, 15th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 28th.

1ST MON. THE FULL MOON can inspire powerful resolutions for the new year and signal the possibility of changes or reversals, the start of a busy period with a need for making adjustments.

2ND TU. Early today, watch out that trivial matters, differences of opinions, don't get blown out of proportion and become larger issues. And later, see that they don't spawn eccentric behavior.

3RD WED. Imagination, vision, compassion, sensitivity, and sympathy are qualities worth expressing. Idealism turns out to be a practical response. Still, a home/family matter needs scrutiny.

4TH TH. Affairs thrive this afternoon, moved along by fast thinking and quick action. Center attention on domestic concerns and you could find that a solution to an ongoing problem was there all along.

5TH FRI. Carefully consider the impact of events and behaviors on loved ones. Keep plugging away at details if they seem elusive or something stands in the way of reaching an understanding.

6TH SAT. Today is full of potential, and some of it could come in the form of an enthusiastic, generous, optimistic supporter. Be open to original ideas, even if they do come from someone who seems pushy.

7TH SUN. A sense of being restricted or held back in some way can put a damper on your Sunday. It's best if you don't tie yourself down too much. You'll be glad you kept your options open when something good turns up.

8TH MON. Though you can succeed on your own, you'll find that the help of powerful, influential others will go far in helping your cause. Someone's drive and resourcefulness prove indispensable.

9TH TU. Your attractiveness is an asset, one that can give you an advantage in any number of dealings, and perhaps can help you get an ambition off the ground. Sociability is plus.

10TH WED. By midday, friendship, group membership, and marital as well as other close relationships will be dominant themes. Intangible forces seem magically to put everyone on the same wavelength.

11TH TH. A fresh outlook on marriage or a romance will increase the intensity of the relationship. Take a short trip or plan a getaway. Publicize yourself and your projects.

12TH FRI. Keep your feet on the ground concerning financial dealings and transactions. Watch out for a tendency to overstep the bounds of discretion or to pin your hopes on something that instinct tells you is exaggerated.

13TH SAT. You're in the mood to push the envelope, to take a walk on the wild side—or maybe to just leave town. If you're not looking for an adventure, then one might come looking for you.

14TH SUN. Yesterday's rebellious trend continues, perhaps with others expressing an independent streak more than you. An unpredictable quality to the day makes even supposedly sure things risky.

15TH MON. Transformation is the name of the game today, a time to make changes. Ambitions are rewarded. Joint ventures can succeed. A decision that's in someone else's hand turns in your favor.

16TH TU. THE NEW MOON presents relationships with a few challenges. How it all works out will depend on how well you can manage your own need for personal space and another's requirement for independence.

17TH WED. Venus enters your tenth-house sign for a three-week stay, making career affairs particularly active, a good time to network. A romance could begin at work, or you'll be in love with your job.

18TH TH. Discount by at least half any grandiose promises you may be given. Matters re professional interests, partnerships, and competitors are emphasized. Know when to say no.

19TH FRI. People who need to communicate should find that they are presently inspired, and that leads to practical thinking on how to realize whatever imagination can conceive.

20TH SAT. Though it's the weekend, work interests can be furthered via an encounter with progressive ideas or a fortunate chat that can help you get ahead, in addition to being just wonderfully social.

21ST SUN. The people in your life have the courage of their convictions, and they are likely right, so there is no harm in letting others take the lead and set the agenda.

22ND MON. The Moon and Saturn conspire to make this a Blue Monday. Don't succumb. The outlook brightens progressively.

23RD TU. Keep your ear to the ground. You could get wind of confidential information. Regardless, confirm revealed clues with more background information.

24TH WED. You're not going to change anyone's mind, so don't try. Instead, put a laserlike focus on getting what you want; the rest is extraneous.

25TH TH. News should be good, especially if it concerns or comes via a partner. The Moon in your sign favors smoothing out problems.

26TH FRI. Mars entering your eighth house for an almost two-month stay signals heightened financial activity—draining at times, but ending with a breakthrough.

27TH SAT. A communication breakdown can impact a money situation. Take another look at a so-called bargain; you may have a change of heart about it.

28TH SUN. Today comes with its share of frustrations. Adverse trends show crosscurrents limiting mobility and understanding. Getting emotional makes it worse.

29TH MON. Today may be just a replay of yesterday's travel and communication problems. Cope with frustrations with as much grace as possible.

30TH TU. In contrast to recent days, getting right to the point, or getting from Point A to Point B, should be relatively easy and trouble free.

31ST WED. THE FULL MOON suggests that there will be demonstrations of strong family bonds—a possibility to express or be the recipient of care.

Use each part of every day best by following the aspects in the Self-Guidance Chart.



EMPHASIS IS IN YOUR 8TH HOUSE. IT RULES

- secrets and hidden talents
- legacies and inheritances
- debts and collections
- joint money affairs

YOU ACHIEVE THE GREATEST SUCCESS BY

- accepting financial aid from parents
- getting along with what you have
- trying to improve your health
- finding relaxing pastimes

YOU SHOULD AVOID

- not keeping abreast of financial matters
- being too possessive and secretive
- making plans based on illusions
- speaking too forthrightly

YOUR JANUARY HOROSCOPE AND DAILY ACTIVITY GUIDE

As the month begins, the Sun, Venus, Saturn, and Pluto crowd your house of joint affairs and metaphysical interests, sharpening keen instincts about money while simultaneously rousing extrasensory perception and intuition. The Full Moon in Cancer (1st) refreshes your enthusiasm about a personal enterprise, family business, or for increasing household income through the 7th—and beyond.

Uranus' change of direction (2nd) may correspond with a promotion or elevation of status at work or within a group, a likelihood that's also hinted at by the encouraging conjunction between Mars and Jupiter that soon follows.

A series of harmonious interplanetary aspects from the 8th to 11th are accompanied by a trio of conjunct planets in earthy Capricorn (9th), emphasizing the important link between commitment and security. If there is uncertainty in matters of career, sex, or love, you'll feel strongly compelled to bring clarity to anything that's perplexing or to settle whatever is up in the air. A hurdle or two can be overcome and preparations successfully made on the 13th, 14th, and 15th, with all sensible choices boosting optimism about a fresh start that's stimulated by the New Moon (16th).

As both Venus (17th) and the Sun (19th) move into inventive, rebellious Aquarius, you're doubtless more than willing to tiptoe off the most mainstream path; in fact, you're probably eager to go exploring.

Even when the primary thrust of your attention is on mundane tasks or ambitious plans from the 20th to 23rd, there are romantic thoughts or fantasies traipsing about in the back of your mind. Responsibilities come into focus with renewed clarity around the first-quarter Moon (24th), and an adventurous trend picks up steam, involving both professional duties and personal preferences after Mars enters Sagittarius on the 26th—with the possibility of your love life heating up considerably with this assertive, passionate planet in your zone of relationship.

The Blue Moon Lunar Eclipse on the 31st gives zing to all forms of communication, so be conscientious about the impact your words, texts, and body language can have, especially late in the month.

Green Light Days: 1st, 3rd, 6th, 7th, 8th, 10th, 20th, 21st, 22nd.

Red Light Days: 4th, 5th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 28th, 29th, 30th.

1ST MON. THE FULL MOON brings up recent financial affairs and brings them to a head, perhaps requiring some immediate action. Don't indulge or beat the budget. Strive for a mutual agreement.

2ND TU. Uranus goes direct, shaking up friendships and redirecting your place in social affairs. Early in the day, faith carries you further than later, when emotional complications create more shaken-not-stirred.

3RD WED. Your heart is in the right place and you see the best in others, as they do in you. "Hope, faith, and charity" go a long way now, as does an infatuation with a person or artistic creation.

4TH TH. It's all about what you say—and how you say it. If you tackle it in the morning, you're likely to get the worst reactions. Save it until the afternoon and after work and a surprising accord brings smiles.

5TH FRI. Pre-dawn moods are harsh, bitter, and obstructive, so avoid action until things simmer down. Follow a creative yet constrained agenda and don't get lost in unimportant distractions.

6TH SAT. A great or sudden idea or change can offer up big funds for a project that rouses a lot of enthusiasm. If it's work-related, it could be a new adventure that boosts your attitude about daily routine.

7TH SUN. You usually resonate well to the social, lovely Libra Moon, but it comes with unpleasant companions and you may have a hard time navigating these moods until after lunchtime.

8TH MON. Let the party begin! Ambition, whether personal or business, finds gold in confidence, opportunity, good fortune, influential support (and maybe love), and great rewards for your fortitude in action.

9TH TU. Intensity re: an influential romantic or professional relationship and associated business ambitions sears to super-attraction and stable support. Don't let jealousy or envy get in the way.

10TH WED. That project that's kept everyone's enthusiasm high rings another bell just after midnight, maybe with a few notes last night as well. You're still ready to rise to the occasion with deep resources.

11TH TH. Mercury, the thinker, and your ruler, enters Capricorn, bringing your conscious attention to shared resources. Work hard this A.M. and the rewards are personal satisfaction and pleasant relations.

12TH FRI. Partners and power are the players today, but you're probably more interested in compelling companions than power struggles. To get the goodies, though, others' feelings need delicate handling.

13TH SAT. Post-midnight thinking may be pessimistic or bring up worries. The cure: organize a to-do list. If the afternoon only brings more crosscurrents in relationships, keep comments restrained.

14TH SUN. Expect a sudden change or new personality on the scene. It could disrupt a plan or set off an outburst. If it's about money and a friend, watch for an upset over it and then rules and regulations.

15TH MON. Whatever you've been working on or for, or that new expansive venture, gets super-charged. If it involves work and money, expect an opportunity to open progress, power, and deep pockets.

16TH TU. THE NEW MOON brings the energy for a fresh start in shared finances, whether in personal or business affairs. Get through the day's stress re: this then line up a good budget and credit line.

17TH WED. Venus enters Aquarius on a very unstable note, although, eventually, she will bring pleasure, love, and friendship. Today, however, keep your eye on the road and don't take accident-prone risks.

18TH TH. Wee-hours agitation or resentment stops sleep and starts arguments, or worry. If you can't shake the feeling, a friend or other ally from afar may want to be there for you, but complications arise.

19TH FRI. The Sun enters social Aquarius, but in your house of travel and adventure, which may increase your already growing desire to get away from the everyday pace and explore the world. Vacation?

20TH SAT. When it comes to professional or parental matters, don't look for stable reactions until dinnertime, when moods meld and stability and security become household words.

21ST SUN. There are better trends in the air for yesterday's bumpy themes. Early morning and evening time bring great joy and understanding. Night action is sensitive, resourceful, kind, and compassionate.

22ND MON. The rousing Aries Moon is happy when active, maybe during a pre-dawn encounter, but not so much at breakfast. Noon is super congeniality!

23RD TU. The social scene may be just as bustling, but without manners or pleasant exchanges. People are pushy, opinionated, impulsive, and restless.

24TH WED. A serious decision or stern budget is needed re: joint funds; or a secret involves money. Be careful, in private dealings, about who ends up with the power.

25TH TH. Good news and reviews raise optimism: send out resumes; promote your ambitions! By day's end you may have the funds or support you need.

26TH FRI. Mars, enters Sagittarius, your partnership zone. Expect others to be motivating (or pushy), adventurous, open-minded (or righteous), and fun!

27TH SAT. The Moon in your lively sign finds a plethora of stimulations to butterfly to and from. Your best bet? A friendly breakfast rendezvous.

28TH SUN. A post-midnight stir, upset, unstable idea or decision can rock the boat till breakfast. Tonight, needs' prominence becomes the chilly issue.

29TH MON. What people feel drives interactions, which can also bring up differences, confusion, or deception. But, luckily, "All's well that ends well."

30TH TU. An emotional morning connection may break the tension. Don't make decisions on it. Later, heart-centered action will lead you to success.

31ST WED. THE FULL MOON lights up the communication switchboard as Mercury enters Aquarius. Talks heat up. Everybody clamors for attention.

Use each part of every day best by following the aspects in the Self-Guidance Chart.



EMPHASIS IS IN YOUR 7TH HOUSE. IT RULES

- partners, teammates, allies
- change of environment
- expanded interests
- public relations

YOU ACHIEVE THE GREATEST SUCCESS BY

- looking for better associates
- being attentive to your mate
- letting others take the lead
- trying to be impartial

YOU SHOULD AVOID

- trying too hard for recognition
- neglecting necessary duties
- irritating influential people
- thinking only of yourself

YOUR JANUARY HOROSCOPE AND DAILY ACTIVITY GUIDE

The challenge of balancing personal priorities with the needs of your partner or family is at the fore of your attention as the Sun, Venus, Saturn, and Pluto all travel in your house of relationships and commitments as the month begins—while the Full Moon (1st) occurs in your zodiacal sign.

Uranus' change from retrograde to direct motion (2nd) intensifies a sensation of being on a seesaw, a ride that can be both exhilarating and a little dizzying at the same time. Awareness gradually shifts from a responsive, go-with-the-flow orientation to a more proactive mindset that's intent upon deliberately guiding the action.

A conjunction of Mars and Jupiter in Scorpio on the 7th is followed by a string of harmonious interplanetary aspects, continuing a self-controlled charge ahead and helping you get things accomplished with exceptional efficiency through the 12th. Also during this time, you can step into a leadership role with cool vision that many others find inspiring. An argument or power struggle between friends, family, spouses, or co-workers that erupts on or near the 13th, 14th, or 15th is likely to mirror an internal battle being waged within your own heart or mind. Think about it with calm, objectivity, and it's easier to see the parallels.

The New Moon in the sensible yet am-

bitious earth sign Capricorn (16th) points toward a turning point in a significant relationship around mid-month and strengthens your own individual resolve about a healing journey or commitment to a positive personal change of some kind.

Breaking out of a shell or rut comes naturally after Venus on the 17th and the Sun on the 19th each move into eclectic, progressive Aquarius. Don't let an old grudge or angry, resentful, or jealous feelings become a questionable—or outright negative—influence on your thinking on or near the 24th, when Mercury and Pluto conjoin in your astrological relationship zone.

Little things really do mean a lot, though, especially after assertive Mars enters adventurous Sagittarius (26th), which may challenge your insecurities. When details are solid and in order, however, success really can be huge. A Blue Moon Lunar Eclipse in Leo on the 31st shines an encouraging light on finances. There's good reason for optimism about money to be on the rise as the end of the month nears.

Green Light Days: 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 20th, 21st, 22nd.

Red Light Days: 13th, 14th, 15th, 24th, 28th, 29th, 30th.

1ST MON. THE FULL MOON sheds light on relationships and calls for coordination of your personal desires and interests with those of a mate, companion, or partner. You and others mutually impact each other.

2ND TU. Conditions are ripe for bickering or jealousy in your personal as well as work life. Tensions in either area can add to strife. Try to deal with them calmly to avoid letting the situation escalate.

3RD WED. You and a partner can easily get on each other's wavelength, especially when it comes to dreaming about the future. But when it comes to more immediate concerns, like money, it's no time for daydreaming.

4TH TH. You can enjoy being active and on the go. Original approaches give an advantage when it comes to earning or spending. Shopping is favored, a good time for online discoveries and purchases.

5TH FRI. Without being too critical, be on the lookout for potential problems. Anticipating them helps you avoid them. If a setback mars the morning, don't let it set the tone for the day.

6TH SAT. Big, enthusiastic action for a personal or creative launch goes off like a lightning charge. There should be no excuses for not having fun. Exhilaration, enthusiasm, and optimism run high.

7TH SUN. Today is scheduled to be part two of a fabulous weekend. It's a day for enjoying the things you like—and all of your favorite people, too. Grab on to opportunities.

8TH MON. A romantic notion can have your heart singing. Children can be a source of joy and pride, too. Business and financial deals should prove profitable. It's a day to prosper and expand.

9TH TU. The love and romance theme resounds yet again, as do business and other partnership interests. Powerful forces of change are at work there. Hold firm against those who pressure or coerce.

10TH WED. If you have an intuition or a hunch, it's worth heeding it, or at least noting it down for future reference. Imaginative thinking is the formula for success. It's a day for dreaming about what could be.

11TH TH. It's best to get an early start, as early positive indications will gradually fizzle. Later, energies become erratic, jumpy; moods are changeable, fickle. People are prone to having a change of heart.

12TH FRI. You have a chance to be of service, but pace the expenditure of physical energies so that you have some reserves tonight. Be careful about what you consume or drink.

13TH SAT. Things change suddenly, unexpectedly. That said, happiest are those who aren't too attached to their plans. People quickly come and go. As one person enters, another exits.

14TH SUN. Today could be similar to yesterday. Your big challenge is to keep your poise when others spring unsettling changes on you. How it goes depends on how well you can handle surprises.

15TH MON. The relationship theme is dominant today. Changes can be made for the better. A clean sweep can mark a progressive change in matters dear to your heart; it's a good time to make a fresh start.

16TH TU. THE NEW MOON emphasizes a need for compromise in marital and other close ties. There's a chance to make a fresh start, but it may require allowing more independence or stem from a parting of ways.

17TH WED. Venus begins a three-week stay in your solar eighth house, during which time you could attract money, make it grow, and should also be quite a magnet for romantic attraction.

18TH TH. There appears to be a need to check on the income, belongings, health, and general well-being of dependents and others with whom you have ties—some of whom test your patience.

19TH FRI. You'll find another's insights and intuition dependable. Seek counsel and advice. Partners have solid ideas for manifesting what the two of you can dream up together.

20TH SAT. The direction the start of your weekend takes is compatible with what you and a loved one desire. A trip, visit, or outing could be just what the two of you need.

21ST SUN. You're likely to start the day feeling optimistic, and justifiably so. And that feeling gains momentum and generates plenty of action, particularly the sort that has fun as an objective.

22ND MON. This is a day for getting steady work done. To do that, you'll need to get a handle on potential distractions and tune them out.

23RD TU. Steer clear of office intrigue. If disclosures have been made, be sure to be discreet about them. Listen carefully and keep your perspective.

24TH WED. A message, experience, or encounter could compel you to contemplate deep meanings and become, in some fashion, a seeker of truth.

25TH TH. Indications are good that you can enjoy your social life more. If there have been problems between you and a friend, you can patch things up now.

26TH FRI. Mars entering your solar sixth house for a two-month stay tells that you'll be working hard. Find constructive outlets for work-related drive, maybe anger.

27TH SAT. Sudden news/actions can be exciting, or maybe destabilizing. If you've been counting on things going one way, others will seem unpredictable.

28TH SUN. The Moon in your sign later today signals an increase in vitality, and you'll need it to deal with tense situations. Avoid household accidents.

29TH MON. Yesterday's warning about household accidents still holds. But in addition, do your best to avoid tense, high-pressure encounters.

30TH TU. Dependents or partners may not meet your needs or wants. This may be a day when you ask for something and the answer is a resounding, "No!"

31ST WED. THE FULL MOON puts finances into the spotlight, in terms of using them to be nurturing and giving, maybe extravagant, with yourself or others.

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July 23 - Aug. 22

EMPHASIS IS IN YOUR 6TH HOUSE. IT RULES

- relations with fellow employees
- occupational efficiency
- dependents and pets
- health and diet

YOU ACHIEVE THE GREATEST SUCCESS BY

- helping people to overcome worries
- associating with idealistic people
- welcoming new work or methods
- staying on the job

YOU SHOULD AVOID

- getting involved in another's problems
- not letting others express their views
- nourishing an inferiority complex
- going at too fast a pace

YOUR JANUARY HOROSCOPE AND DAILY ACTIVITY GUIDE

Even if all paths aren't rocking with excitement as the month begins, with the Sun, Venus, Saturn, and Pluto in your house of work and service—along with the Full Moon (1st) in your money zone—there is ample opportunity to make substantial progress toward a meaningful goal.

Uranus changes direction from apparent backward to straightforward motion on the 2nd, and if you take objective stock you can almost certainly identify at least one area of your inner or outer life where you could beneficially do the same. A succession of harmonious aspects suggests that if a hurdle of procrastination can be overcome, you can make giant strides professionally, in your public life, and in adopting a healthful upgrade into your daily habits from the 1st to the 12th.

The urge to step out of your normal routine or everyday habits is strong on the 13th and 14th, but don't let rebellious or belligerent impulses get you into any trouble (especially at work or where a desirable love match is concerned). The spirit of teamwork is a unifying force on or near the New Moon (16th), so long as you feel that your contributions to a joint effort or partnership affair are sufficiently recognized and compensated near and after mid-month.

With Venus (17th) and the Sun (19th) ad-

vancing into relationship territory, followed by a series of harmonious interplanetary aspects, attention that plays to heart, ego, or your romantic imagination is exceptionally exhilarating from the 17th to at least the 23rd—and your social life or love life (or both) can provide some wonderfully rejuvenating respite from heavier duties or more taxing practical demands.

A shrewd strategy helps you get ahead in your occupation or hobnob with "the right people" on the 24th and 25th. Favorable prospects regarding travel, education, or communication—especially teaching or public speaking—multiply abundantly after Mars enters adventurous Sagittarius (26th) and your own house of romance, creativity, recreation and pleasure, and children.

The Blue Moon Lunar Eclipse is in your sign on the 31st, extending your psychic field of influence, giving a big boost to confidence, and empowering your ability to exclude "presence" in a way that others are sure to notice throughout the last week of the month.

Green Light Days: 7th, 8th, 17th, 19th, 20th, 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 26th.

Red Light Days: 2nd, 4th, 5th, 13th, 14th, 28th, 29th.

1ST MON. THE FULL MOON falls across your zones of psychological and physical well-being. It reminds you to balance your needs for mind-body-spirit health; to rest when daily chores overwhelm.

2ND TU. A startling event or quick turnaround may spin your own head around about travel or education plans, maybe for the surprising good. Don't let inner worries take hold. Have faith.

3RD WED. Compassion, kindness, and forgiveness waft through the air and hearts today as faith did yesterday. With the Moon in your sign, your natural generosity becomes even stronger.

4TH TH. If you want things your way today with the lunar mode still in your sign, wait until after lunch and others won't be able to resist saying yes, which leads to surprising or impulsive happiness later.

5TH FRI. Home affairs may bring up an old story or necessary responsibilities. Muscle it up to get it done, whether chores or the start of a big project, then relax and unwind with easy recreations tonight.

6TH SAT. The rocket fuel, maybe in the form of funds as well as energy, transform the situation. If changes happen fast or you get a quick opportunity, say yes! Do something exciting and daring to change your life.

7TH SUN. You might expect more easy congeniality and compromising attitudes when out in your local environment, but shopkeepers, neighbors, even siblings may be sweating the small stuff. You?

8TH MON. Offers to show off and shine, celebrate a success or relationship, and end up at the victory line are empowered by effort, drive, and charm. Later, however, moods turn and charms fade.

9TH TU. Intense relationships continue, probably work-related, but don't discount deep passions. Influence, support, and maybe love are at hand. Avoid any power struggle and walk into sultry interactions.

10TH WED. Yesterday's bundle of energy pours over midnight, keeping you running and productive. Whatever this is, you want it, and feel accomplished at getting it (or a person?). Home feels victorious.

11TH TH. You feel a shift, maybe toward a more ambitious or well-connected agenda, as Mercury enters business Capricorn. This A.M., too, look for energy with a passionate purpose that's very welcomed.

12TH FRI. The Sagittarius Moon enhances mutual enjoyment of life and its pleasures. On another hand, there's an undercurrent of ambition or empowerment. Are you pursuing a goal with focus?

13TH SAT. Work responsibilities or health situations have a flare-up. Are children involved? A serious or conservative decision can cause a break or need for quick adjustments. Nail the facts down before acting.

14TH SUN. Yesterday's energies continue, but you may play a more central role, or you may be the one without control or rebelling if yesterday's leftovers aren't resolved. The evening holds things tight.

15TH MON. Are you ready-set-go chasing an ambition? Everything you've worked for recently could bring the payoff today, with home and work, and maybe funds, power, and expansion, connected.

16TH TU. THE NEW MOON is in your house of health, work, and service, possibly the scene of the month's ongoing challenges and activities. Put your goals into intention and you'll begin to shine bright on the job.

17TH WED. Careful around the house when it comes to handling uncontrolled moods or electrical wires! Mishaps are possible. With Venus entering Aquarius, relationships start to get friendlier.

18TH TH. The wee hours can generate nerves and agitation, which can manifest as anger. Try to control aggressive motions. Count to ten. It might be a partner who can help you work off the energy.

19TH FRI. A softer way to lead or to be sensitive of others' needs imbues interaction and ambitions. With your ruler, the Sun, entering Aquarius, your relationship world lights up with strobes.

20TH SAT. Sensitivities are still appreciated coming in from others' responses. A dinnertime conversation proves that point. You might realize, too, that there's a nice, subtle sense of stability and security, too.

21ST SUN. The theme of compassion and command continues. You appreciate the emotional or material rewards from business, but also from your loving, caring family. Tonight's actions overflow with it.

22ND MON. The active Aries Moon makes you jump through a few hoops to get what you want, but you get it. Share it with a great pal at lunch.

23RD TU. There are interferences and discord to dodge to deal with a work or travel matter. Stand by a stable partner, but be on the alert for a surprise.

24TH WED. Profound perceptions or information influences a work or health situation; or, dig deep for facts and truth. Don't overspend/eat to counter nerves.

25TH TH. Yesterday's pensive (suspicious?) theme is jollied off today by great news, happy views, and the best of opportunities! Late night is an all-provider.

26TH FRI. Assertive Mars enters exuberant Sag, a rocket boost to your house of love, pleasure and recreation, children, creativity, and other joys. Traveling?

27TH SAT. There are friendly vibes calling you out to play today, and you're a lucky girl or guy if you go. Social or romantic, flirty or sensitive attracts you.

28TH SUN. There's a post-midnight shift, mind change, outburst, or sudden jolt that keeps things unruly or off-schedule through the morning.

29TH MON. You might feel a little low in mental or physical energy. If so, look for a soft, quiet place for a bit and restore your mind-body-spirit aura.

30TH TU. Morning discord or discomfort fades once the Moon enters your sign this afternoon. Dinnertime drama is heartfelt action with a taste for adventure.

31ST WED. THE FULL MOON in Leo points to lively networking that has to figure out whose needs are important, influenced by Mercury entering Aquarius.

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EMPHASIS IS IN YOUR 5TH HOUSE. IT RULES

- pleasurable pursuits and hobbies
- efforts to promote yourself
- romantic attachments
- talents and skills

YOU ACHIEVE THE GREATEST SUCCESS BY

- showing your fondness for loved ones
- investigating financial conditions
- grasping business opportunities
- doing things with others

YOU SHOULD AVOID

- not taking hold of personal problems
- letting others lead when you should
- failing to be dependable
- neglecting your health

YOUR JANUARY HOROSCOPE AND DAILY ACTIVITY GUIDE

With the Sun, Venus, Saturn, and Pluto in fellow earth-sign Capricorn as the month begins, you are putting together the necessary pieces of a plan or project like a champion. And when aided by the many helpers inspired by the Full Moon on the 1st, you're rightfully feeling optimistic about the odds of a successful culmination or outcome. Uranus turns direct on the 2nd after months of retrograde, suggesting that money, resources, property, or possessions may soon be freed-up for use toward an educational or occupational purpose. A series of harmonious trine and sextile aspects find you making steady progress through the 12th—and maybe making an important new friendship or romantic connection, too.

Material or financial pressures could have to do with pets, childcare, dependents, or an unanticipated household or automobile expense on or near the 13th or 14th. It's possible that love mates won't see eye-to-eye on matters where agreement would typically be simply reached on the 15th or 16th (New Moon.) The resultant need for negotiation could contribute to a slowdown or change in plans.

You leap at the chance to experiment, do some hands-on science, or solve a mystery as Venus (17th) and the Sun (19th) each

move into Aquarius and are followed by a string of intellectually lively aspects through the 23rd. These vibes are supportive of any mainstream academic study, as well as the pursuit of knowledge about more offbeat subjects like ghost-hunting, paranormal research, or psychic development. Take advantage of a prime opportunity to make a request, tackle paperwork, or submit an application on or near the 24th.

Vigorous energy can be effectively poured into a move, renovation, repair, or any other venture involving home or the roof over your head after passionate, energetic, enthusiastic Mars enters your Sagittarian astrological domestic and family zone on the 26th. There may be some static or other interference that makes it easy for you to misunderstand another, or vice versa, from the 28th to 30th, so pay careful attention—especially when important or sensitive information is exchanged. The Blue Moon Lunar Eclipse in Leo on the 31st stirs powerful emotions and can give extra punch to dream symbols and imagination late in the month.

Green Light Days: 1st, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 23rd, 24th, 26th.

Red Light Days: 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 28th, 29th, 30th.

1ST MON. THE FULL MOON signals that the year starts with changes in your social life. Someone you met at a New Year's party could become a friend—or a lover. It's all about bonding, making connections.

2ND TU. It wouldn't hurt to do a little housecleaning where budgets and possessions are concerned. There is evidence of nervous stress, however, so try not to let tensions dictate your choices.

3RD WED. There's a chance to experience something magical in connection with a loved one—the sort that makes you feel that dreams can come true. Or maybe you'll just feel very sympathetic, compassionate.

4TH TH. Some difficult feelings might be operating just below the surface. To not let them get the upper hand and dictate your choices, awareness is the key, helped along by honest dialogue with all concerned.

5TH FRI. The Moon in your sign indicates that you will be pouring energies into various activities, but achieving mixed results. Communication will be your strong point, not that anyone will be listening.

6TH SAT. This could turn out to be a banner day, one that shines brightly in unexpected, unusual, and very agreeable ways that are tied to home, family, travel, your environment. Opportunities open doors.

7TH SUN. If some limitation or restriction is imposed early in the day, your best bet is to learn to work with it and operate within set guidelines. Trying to (over-)compensate for it will only make things worse.

8TH MON. The morning brings a generous amount of “luck” where love and close ties are concerned; the inclination to be out and about will be strong. A Mars-Pluto sextile demands an action-packed agenda.

9TH TU. Nothing is apt to be what it seems this morning—something to remember later in the day when someone makes promises or gets too insistent or otherwise acts in ways that can spell a loss.

10TH WED. The day could take surprising, unexpected turns. If you're not the instigator of these changes, they could find you scrambling at first, only to see the benefit later of embracing them with ardor.

11TH TH. The people you come into contact now are mostly the kind you're happy to see and exchange views about, at least early. Later, you may experience a jolt if you don't have money or time to spare.

12TH FRI. Troubles can develop on the home front. Don't be too quick to judge family members or others harshly, as black-and-white judgments are likely skewed and could benefit from a little revision.

13TH SAT. Enthusiasm should be high for new people on the horizon; regarding those you already know, some could be feeling the need for more space. The main thing is to try to keep things interesting.

14TH SUN. The second part of the weekend could be a repeat of the first, and it will be anything but dull. If faced with an unexpected change of plan, you'll be happier if you can just manage to go with it.

15TH MON. As a Jupiter-Pluto sextile comes into focus, the emphasis is on making improvements and creative changes in any area of life, but especially concerning home, neighborhood, children, siblings, education.

16TH TU. THE NEW MOON opens the way for the expression of personal feelings and interests, excellent for beginning a new relationship or taking a current one to a new level of commitment.

17TH WED. Murphy's Law rules today, as does the Law of Unintended Consequences. Expect the unexpected, especially where mechanical devices and transportation are concerned. Don't be impulsive.

18TH TH. The Moon is in your sign's house, your sixth, and you'll be in your element. But even you may find job and health interests hard to keep on an even keel. Keep an urge toward excess in line.

19TH FRI. The Sun's entry into Aquarius, the sign on Virgo's sixth house, signals that you'll be busy over the next four weeks, a good time to get things done, maybe learn or perfect a skill or craft.

20TH SAT. Mixed influences show that the day will bring on-and-off satisfactions, punctuated with unexpected problems, possibly money-related. At least you and a partner will be speaking the same language.

21ST SUN. You'll have plenty to smile about. You never know where a new attraction or helpful contact will turn up. A wide range of relations is congenial and supportive of growth and positive change.

22ND MON. This is as good a time as any to tackle financial considerations and social or group involvements. An early sense of being limited can lead to over-compensatory excess before finding the right balance.

23RD TU. This is a good day for getting to the bottom of things. Secrets are divulged. Protect your own privacy and respect that of others.

24TH WED. Good news, a strong creative muse make for a day that elevates your mood. Words you put out there are sure to get a positive response.

25TH TH. A problem, worry, or concern that weighs on you today can eventually be resolved via a change in perspective, so be persistent but open-minded.

26TH FRI. Home will be a hub of activity starting today and continuing for the next two months—not necessarily a peaceful time, but you'll get things done.

27TH SAT. Things don't go exactly according to plan, but don't contribute to that eventuality by running around in a big rush. Control nervous energy.

28TH SUN. Factors may be present that put a strain on relations with friends and family alike. Avoid situations that test your patience or tolerance.

29TH MON. The way things go today might not be consistent with your aims. Friends could add to your problems. Pace yourself. Take it one step at a time.

30TH TU. Channels of information or intuition are off this morning, so pay attention and aim for clarity. Later, you're likely to feel like ducking into a quiet haven.

31ST WED. THE FULL MOON indicates putting aside off-time hours for pleasurable pursuits. It accents your nurturing side. You may be asked for help.

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EMPHASIS IS IN YOUR 4TH HOUSE. IT RULES

- completion of pending projects
- improvements of property
- community affairs
- family activities

YOU ACHIEVE THE GREATEST SUCCESS BY

- showing patience and maturity with elders
- being objective, conservative, practical
- safeguarding your fortunes and health
- avoiding domestic arguments

YOU SHOULD AVOID

- forcing showdowns at the wrong time
- evading responsibilities at home
- speaking in haste or anger
- not preparing for the future

YOUR JANUARY HOROSCOPE AND DAILY ACTIVITY GUIDE

The Sun, Venus, Saturn, and Pluto are gathered in your house of family, security, and domesticity while the Full Moon on the 1st illuminates your sector of public life and career as January begins. You make transitioning from “professional” to “personal” mode and back again look easy through the first half of the month, wearing many hats and making each of them uniquely “you.”

Uranus’ change, in your opposite sign, Aries, from retrograde to direct motion on the 2nd suggests that experiments and adventures stir special enthusiasm. A parade of harmonious aspects can help you move successfully from the start to the finish of a project from the 1st to the 12th. But keep in mind the fact that a big portion of any victory hinges upon your ability to navigate well through the twists and turns that come up, not just when the path is clear and straight.

A relationship—whether it’s business or personal—may go through a period of choppy, erratic communication on the 13th, 14th, or 15th; this in romance or another connection where a balancing act between the unconventional and the conservative has been ongoing. Thoughts and emotions can revolve steadily around issues of stability, reliability, trust, security, and responsibility on and near the Capricorn New Moon (16th). There seems to be a common theme evident—

whether person, place, thing, or belief—that links together several key factors on your mind or deeply felt around mid-month. As Venus on the 17th and the Sun on the 19th change signs, moving into unconventional, congenial, intellectual, and progressive Aquarius; understanding about where an unusual or unexpected experience fits into a cycle of personal growth comes almost instinctually—or a wake-up call occurs. The spirit of exploration and discovery similarly flows well in areas of work, travel, education, or entertainment from the 20th to the 23rd, but things may hit a snag on or near the 24th that requires adjustments or expenditures be made before progress can continue. Charm is velvety soft after muscled-up Mars enters carefree, optimistic Sagittarius on the 26th, where it originates from the authentic core of aspiration or individual identity and inspires extra confidence in yourself and others, too. The Blue Moon Lunar Eclipse in dramatic Leo on the 31st reinforces a positive choice regarding love, money, or health made then or earlier in the month.

Green Light Days: 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 17th, 18th, 19th, 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th.

Red Light Days: 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th, 24th, 25th.

1ST MON. THE FULL MOON falls across your business and domestic lines, pulling you in emotionally to something urgent or interfering. Differences may culminate and resolve if everyone feels needed.

2ND TU. Uranus in Aries, your opposite sign, goes direct today, bringing a shake-up in a progressive or future-oriented direction (out with the past). Luckily, compassion and caring are also on the scene.

3RD WED. Yesterday's kindness or loving feeling feels more special today. You want to help others and be the nurse or concerned volunteer. Consideration in business now can get you far.

4TH TH. It's a deep-thought day, when surface information is not enough. You want to get to the heart of the matter, and, by early afternoon, you will! From there it's a happily impulsive movement forward.

5TH FRI. Those in your environment may be in scrappy moods; not you necessarily, but those who may have some say over money, spending, and discipline. Push on, but under a more moderate agenda.

6TH SAT. A rocket boost of optimistic initiative re: a quick money deal and you could receive big needed funds or be able to invest in something with expansive potential. Sign on the dotted line.

7TH SUN. We all second guess ourselves, as you may be doing today, a Libran tendency; or someone at home may make you feel bad or guilty, which could lead to a rush of agitated action around lunchtime.

8TH MON. Home affairs are going exceedingly well, with reason to celebrate optimistically. Maybe it's an expansion, a new place you're re-doing, or funds to make renovations, you feel lucky—until tonight.

9TH TU. Intense desires and relationships overtake your feelings at home, maybe part of the ongoing, future-oriented plan. If you can avoid power struggles, interactions are lively, influential, and maybe sexual.

10TH WED. A midnight overflow takes a desire for confident action into the day, or you may still be working on something or accepting a victory walk. As the day moves on, you feel better and better about yourself.

11TH TH. Mercury enters Capricorn, an ambitious business sign, but it falls in your domestic zone, bringing your conscious attention to matters of order, authority, construction, and practicality.

12TH FRI. If you need some empowerment to deal with a financial issue or to assert yourself in some other interaction, you've got it, which will help you negotiate others' emotional complications.

13TH SAT. A serious, long-term, well-considered but conservative idea or decision could rock the home base and cause a break, especially if it's a plain "No," or from or about a family elder.

14TH SUN. Further disruptions make the weekend home scene anything but serene (unless you're up in the wee hours). But more rebellious behavior or swift changes lead to restraints tonight.

15TH MON. If it involves funds and a home or family link, you could come up ringing the slot-machine bells. Gratitude for support lets you expand domestically in ways you've worked hard for.

16TH TU. THE NEW MOON falls in your fourth house, which has been influenced all month. Set your new intentions for a new home or domestic situation; include all you, too, would like to see support you there.

17TH WED. As your ruler, possessive Venus, enters egalitarian Aquarius, you take an interest in unusual pleasures or delightful children. Watch, however, for risky moves, maybe at home, that lead to accidents.

18TH TH. A bad mood from yesterday or results from action could carry over past midnight. This could keep you up, worried, building resentment. Look for constructive work-offs rather than an angry outburst.

19TH FRI. It's an active day creatively, or if you're watching children, which could bring breakfast moodiness. Forgiveness and belief, however, soothe the troubled feelings. The Sun enters love-zone Aquarius.

20TH SAT. There's a lot of good feelings and good will going around today, making others sensitive listeners and advisors. Have a sweet dinner-time chat and feelings of security and stability arise.

21ST SUN. There's a theme of generosity and geniality that is very alluring. Push off early this morning with gratitude and resources and, by tonight, action is effective and warmly satisfying to all.

22ND MON. The Moon transits Aries now, bringing the emotional barometer into a companion's court. Ignore A.M. moods and invite in a friendly noontime pal.

23RD TU. A partner or day's companion(s) may bring discordant attitudes along with them. Try for balance and stability, but look for another surprise tonight.

24TH WED. You have to make or wait for a long-term or serious decision about home or family. Don't sacrifice security, avoid loans, and love what you want.

25TH TH. The early-A.M. riser is the one with the good news or reviews! If you needed funds, expect a "yes." Tonight's talk shows tangible accord.

26TH FRI. Mars enters Sagittarius, adding optimistic views and desires for local travel to your thinking processes. Talks can easily turn into debates.

27TH SAT. Friendly, flirty vibes are just what you like, so have your smile on early today. Later, you may be having sweet fantasies instead of sweet dreams.

28TH SUN. A post-midnight outburst from a family member or mate could drag through the day via changed plans and accommodating attitudes.

29TH MON. Even though you can sense the complicated undercurrents of feelings, it's hard to make any group sense of what people really mean.

30TH TU. If midnight joy didn't come, then morning debates might. By the afternoon's Leo Moon, love-centered action feels adventurously expansive.

31ST WED. THE FULL MOON is in Leo as Mercury enters Aquarius, accenting the love/friendship divide. The A.M.'s lively networking include family and pals.

Use each part of every day best by following the aspects in the Self-Guidance Chart.



EMPHASIS IS IN YOUR 3RD HOUSE. IT RULES

- interchange of ideas and beliefs
- short trips and visits
- personal correspondence
- neighbors and kin

YOU ACHIEVE THE GREATEST SUCCESS BY

- experimenting with new methods
- making definite commitments
- learning from past mistakes
- bettering public relations

YOU SHOULD AVOID

- taking on the troubles of others
- imposing on neighbors and kin
- handling finances carelessly
- making unnecessary trips

YOUR JANUARY HOROSCOPE AND DAILY ACTIVITY GUIDE

The quickest route forward may be sought as the month begins, as the Cancer Full Moon on the 1st stirs passionate and emotional longings. But with the Sun, Venus, Saturn, and Pluto all in no-nonsense Capricorn, it's doubtful that an appropriate shortcut is anywhere to be found—making it almost a given that there are rewards to be reaped by taking the longer but steadier path.

Not fond of the longer or steadier path is Uranus, which changes direction in your house of work, health, dependents, pets, daily routines, and service on the 2nd, emphasizing the benefits of being open to helpful course corrections and to going the extra mile for a task or a person through at least the 6th. A conjunction of Mars and Jupiter in your sign on the 7th shows you where you're on the right track and where things are stalled, constricted, misdirected, or blocked. You'll notice that like tends to attract like in a big way from the 8th to 12th. Give at least as much attention to what you're creating and what you're sharing with others as you do to attempts at getting your own desires satisfied. It's the boomerang effect; positivity generated comes back to you, in some form, when most needed.

Backlash from a mix-up or misunderstanding may influence social or business

plans on the 13th, 14th, or 15th, and your love mate or another key player in your personal life could be in an unusually stubborn, edgy, or rebellious mood. Inner focus shifts in the direction of practical reflection, creative productivity, and/or the deeper exploration of a hobby, craft, or recently adopted interest from the 16th (New Moon) to 23rd. By thinking long and hard, and by formulating a meaningful plan, you can figure out a lot about where you want to go in the future—starting now.

Expansive powers of observation combine with sharp intuition as Mercury and Pluto conjoin at the first-quarter Moon on the 24th, further fueling ambitions and contributing to an almost prescient sense of really on-target business or romantic timing. Mars, co-ruler of your sign and always looking to take action, moves into Sag and your house of money on the 26th, signaling that a financial upswing is likely to begin or escalate on or near this date, reinforced by the Blue Moon Leo Lunar Eclipse in your sector of status and career on the 31st.

Green Light Days: 7th, 8th, 24th, 25th, 26th, 28th, 31st.

Red Light Days: 1st, 2nd, 6th, 13th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th.

1ST MON. THE FULL MOON brings improvement in your overall philosophy and outlook, making it more balanced, and in a way that strengthens your personal impact—good for harmony, forging agreements.

2ND TU. Exercise more than your usual level of caution when communicating or traveling. Relations with neighbors, relatives, and co-workers can be strained. It might be wise to keep your thoughts to yourself.

3RD WED. Today offers a chance to iron out recent disagreements and differences, to overcome a state of bewilderment. Perceptions/intuitions are stronger than usual—creativity, too.

4TH TH. Take advantage of any opportunity to stand out from the crowd. Doing so can enhance your career, put extra dollars in your pocket. Business prospects look good. Give originality full play.

5TH FRI. Being right isn't enough; you'll have make comments/criticisms in terms that others can accept. Conversely, you'll have to try not to be too sensitive if others say things that rub you the wrong way.

6TH SAT. If you're feeling gung-ho about something, by all means don't hold yourself back. It doubtless proves foolproof for getting desired results. Being daring or taking risks courts luck.

7TH SUN. Sociability and plans for romance, recreation, and children are favored. Put something personal into play with enthusiasm and it can expand your world immeasurably.

8TH MON. You'll find that you command attention when you choose to speak out and act on your strong convictions. Be resolute and you'll access potent inner forces for reaching and achieving a goal.

9TH TU. Whereas inner power, strength, and fortitude were your allies yesterday, today it's your charm and magnetism that give you appeal. Whether a relationship is business or personal, you'll enjoy it.

10TH WED. Whatever captures your fancy could be safely pursued, creatively explored. It's a day for following your instincts and hunches. Generosity, however, can be taken a touch too far.

11TH TH. What's in it for me? That might be your response when someone proposes something to you. With the Moon in your sign, self-interest is high. Protect your work interests and health.

12TH FRI. Some will be busy discussing and weighing the pros and cons of matters running the gamut from the personal to the professional. Rather than wait for inspiration, creative people should just get to work.

13TH SAT. Changes are disruptive but also potentially exciting if you consider the freedom to make other choices that that will entail. Whatever happens, your ability to adapt will be decisive.

14TH SUN. What you say or do can have unintended consequences; though some are not to you liking, others can be considered lucky accidents. Travel, communication, and other breakdowns can disrupt plans.

15TH MON. You could be on the receiving end of a useful tip. A flow of information can bring benefits. Make good use of your connections. If an appointment is cancelled, you'll have plenty others to keep you busy.

16TH TU. THE NEW MOON marks a good time to toot your horn, to get your message out. Send out resumés. Make calls, inquires. Make connections. Community affairs, neighbors, kin occupy your thoughts and time.

17TH WED. Venus enters your solar fourth house for a three-week stay, and as a result you may make home, its beauty and comforts, a priority. For today, control impulses; be careful and stay safe.

18TH TH. You'll probably wind up wishing you were anywhere else but around the home front by the time the day is over, but much will depend on whether you were able to keep from overdoing it earlier.

19TH FRI. Today provides an opportunity to enjoy peace and contentment, perhaps through having a heart-to-heart talk with someone understanding who allows you to just vent—maybe over dinner after a movie.

20TH SAT. Necessity is the mother of invention, as you'll see this morning when the unexpected requires some improvisation—and afterwards, when imagination is a great asset, whatever you do.

21ST SUN. With the harmoniously aspected Pisces Moon favoring your sign, approach love, dating, weekend fun and recreation, and children in imaginative, creative, enchanting ways for best results.

22ND MON. Though the day starts out as a classic Blue Monday, curb excess worry and suspicion and it will quickly redeem itself, and productively so.

23RD TU. Focus on reaching your objectives, and don't get sidelined by people who have private or secret reasons for being slow or hard to reason with.

24TH WED. Thinking is deep, obsessive, probing, persistent—good for getting to the bottom of things. Words can be like weapons; watch what you say.

25TH TH. Moods and news are uplifting, great for forwarding agendas. Give careful attention to vital relationships and the need to compromise on differences.

26TH FRI. Mars launches a two-month stay in your solar second house, during which you're motivated to earn more, but also to spend.

27TH SAT. If you don't like surprises (and what Scorpio does?), this won't be your day. You'll have no choice but to deal with them.

28TH SUN. Don't overwork credit or goodwill this morning; everyone needs to listen to each other, especially if domestic situations become stressful.

29TH MON. Whether they are large or small annoyances, it will be easy for people to get on each other's nerves. Keep insecurities under control.

30TH TU. Emotion conflicts with reason. Still, it's a great day to talk things out. A conversation gives the green light to get underway with a project.

31ST WED. THE FULL MOON brings out the need to help out and be helped, in both the domestic and the career field. Emphasize cooperation over ambition.

Use each part of every day best by following the aspects in the Self-Guidance Chart.



EMPHASIS IS IN YOUR 2ND HOUSE. IT RULES

- financial prowess and ambition
- gifts bestowed or received
- income from job or career
- buying and selling

YOU ACHIEVE THE GREATEST SUCCESS BY

- seeking financial favors and recognition
- improving the service you render others
- making necessary purchases and sales
- facing difficulties courageously

YOU SHOULD AVOID

- conducting financial transactions hastily
- not grasping business opportunities
- forgetting to curb extravagance
- handling valuables carelessly

YOUR JANUARY HOROSCOPE AND DAILY ACTIVITY GUIDE

It might not be all about money as the month begins, but with the Sun, Venus, Saturn, and Pluto all traveling through your financial zone and the Cancer Full Moon illuminating your house of resources on the 1st, well, it's a lot about money!

Uranus in Aries changes direction on the 2nd, sparking renewed enthusiasm about a travel, entertainment, sports, or exercise goal, and the series of harmonious aspects that follow through the 6th keep the zesty vibes going. A psychic perception, brush with the seemingly paranormal, or moment of clairvoyance could be an attention-grabber on or near the 7th even if you're not yet sure what it exactly means in the bigger picture.

Understanding and sensitivity flow almost wordlessly between friends, lovers, or soul mates from the 8th to 12th, especially if one (or both) are toiling on a special project or working through some uncertainties or distractions. It may seem that expansion and contraction are counterbalancing each other from the 13th to the 16th's Capricorn New Moon, causing a slowdown or temporary stalemate of some kind. If so, this can be a prime opportunity to revisit plans, make corrections, do an upgrade, or otherwise fortify a strategy, product, or connection in a way that ultimately brings in-

creased clarity of purpose to a situation or relationship.

New information, a replacement, repair, resolution, or reformation stirs up fresh ideas and might even spur momentum toward an objective that simply oozes with possibility and potential as Venus on the 17th and the Sun on the 19th change signs. Consolidation or completion can occur in some key way, or a sensation of closure be claimed on or near the 24th and 25th.

With energetic, assertive Mars moving into your outgoing, adventurous sign on the 26th, there's little that's shy about your attitude or subtle about your methods near and after this date. Confidence, as well as prospects and expansive opportunities, are given a boost by accomplishments or clear indications of progress that are evident from this date through the Leo Blue Moon Lunar Eclipse on the 31st. Rising to a challenge? You can make it seem easy. Look out rivals, you're aiming to win and cross the victory line!

Green Light Days: 2nd, 6th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 26th, 27th, 28th, 31st.

Red Light Days: 7th, 8th, 13th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 24th, 25th.

1ST MON. THE FULL MOON may bring more emotion than your nature prefers, especially if it's about money, something you don't like to fight about. Even up feelings and accounts and set out a budget.

2ND TU. Uranus goes direct in your happiness zone, which may still have its share of excitement, instability, sudden change, and edgy or unstable liberation. Your heart is open, but don't test it today.

3RD WED. Your generous heart center, along with the Moon in fiery Leo, makes you a tender provider or giving colleague or volunteer. If it's romance, there's a gentle side that brings out loving feelings.

4TH TH. Catch the wave of that Moon in Leo at lunchtime and through dinner, when saying the right thing turns quickly into the right time. Good feelings and easy camaraderie flow with laughs.

5TH FRI. You may be sitting on a subconscious bomb, unvented feelings looking for a way out under restrictions. Keep your feet on the ground and try to operate within a measure of appropriate obligation.

6TH SAT. Today you have your way! Your inner resources, hidden support system, or an all-systems-go gets you deep into a venture or exploration. Enthusiasm and a positive attitude ring the victory bell!

7TH SUN. Ask a friend for an opinion about things that happened yesterday if you're questioning your own head and heart; but try not to do it before noon, when moods hadn't had their perky cup of coffee yet.

8TH MON. Big bottom lines or additions to them bring a celebration of partnership, maybe business, maybe love. You've got an inner fire to surge forward with determination toward an ambition, amount, or possession.

9TH TU. The intensity continues in a relationship, where the attraction is undeniable and the available power profound. Do you hear bells of love or dings of a cash register? Sexuality and business are both hot.

10TH WED. There's a post-midnight drive still revving action, which you take alone or with some very helpful private support. What you buy, or discover, can also offer an interesting self-awareness.

11TH TH. Mercury enters Capricorn on a day filled with the same celestial energies that have been driving events and feelings lately. Take a shot at good luck and bliss may arrive before the morning paper.

12TH FRI. The Moon's in your sign, which generally rocket boosts your already cheerful, restless, and adventurous nature. If you can jump rope through emotional complications, there are fun spots to be found.

13TH SAT. It's about money, isn't it? A serious decision or commitment; a lack of it or sudden break re: fiscal, or romantic or children's, erratic moods. It doesn't help to overpromise or dare overspend.

14TH SUN. Yesterday's edgy mood still roars, with the Sun now involved in the square. You're casual about cash, but if it gets spent carelessly or creates instability, then you'll have to buckle the money belt.

15TH MON. Overnight talks may finally bring accord to the table, the fiscal one, that is. By day's end, you could be in on the deal of a lifetime from hidden resources or influential economic supporters or means.

16TH TU. THE NEW MOON is in your money house, no surprise at this point. With faith, a positive outlook, and effective action—plus adjustment adaptation—you can plan for a fresh, clean start.

17TH WED. Don't be blinded to realities, especially with money. Take care to avoid risky activities that could lead to an accident. With Venus entering Aquarius, local connections light the machine ball chimes.

18TH TH. The wee hours are not as restful as you'd like, and may be filled with inner resentment or externalized in an argument. Instead, you make a choice, one to regain control and aim for peace.

19TH FRI. The Sun enters congenial Aquarius under a sensitive escort, so others appreciate your efforts and the community sense yet caring you offer them. Look in the month ahead for local highlights!

20TH SAT. Even ever-forward you stops to sense the communication coming in from other realms, like intuitive and psychic ones. Look for the best reception, or have that close talk with a friend, around dinner.

21ST SUN. You're still looking for incoming info from existential or enlightened realms, and, if you're an early bird, may find it. Faith and belief never go out of style. You act with soulful care this evening.

22ND MON. The Aries Moon is a harsh change from Pisces' soft supplications. But a lively one! Best times? Early-bird connections and lunchtime companions.

23RD TU. Hold your breath through someone's A.M. emotional outburst or later quiet brooding. Stability tries to present itself, but midnight brings a change.

24TH WED. There's a lot of power, maybe a secret, in money words or deals. If you hold the power, you may have to draw the lines between friends and money.

25TH TH. Get the paper or mail early or watch how good news, ideas, and decisions brighten up attitudes and possibly celebrate a finished product.

26TH FRI. Mars enters your adventurous sign, bringing a boost of confidence and energy. Your drive zooms! Watch today for lively, and discordant, notes.

27TH SAT. There may be a variety of pleasures, but, like jump rope, one jump gets you the sweet prize, one jump gets you the booby prize. Smooch very early.

28TH SUN. The post-midnight vibes may bring a startling or upsetting decision or moody outburst. Otherwise, nerves take over and stay around all day.

29TH MON. There's emotional attention swirling around money, and maybe pressure, too. Avoid blind shopping, but enjoy creature comforts and family love.

30TH TU. The morning brings that talk about yesterday's events that you'd rather avoid. But, come dinnertime, a great mood fuels terrific, effective action!

31ST WED. THE FULL MOON in Leo comes with Mercury entering opposite-sign Aquarius, highlighting lines of communication and connection.

Use each part of every day best by following the aspects in the Self-Guidance Chart.



EMPHASIS IS IN YOUR 1ST HOUSE. IT RULES

- success through leadership and drive
- impressions you create on others
- popularity and prestige
- personal property

YOU ACHIEVE THE GREATEST SUCCESS BY

- being ready to organize activities
- renewing influential contacts
- doing your tasks completely
- avoiding quarrelsome people

YOU SHOULD AVOID

- receding too much into the background
- being selfish and egotistical
- acting overemotionally
- developing bad habits

YOUR JANUARY HOROSCOPE AND DAILY ACTIVITY GUIDE

With the Sun, Venus, Saturn, and Pluto all in your sign as the month begins, and the Cancer Full Moon on the 1st lighting up your relationship life, you're almost certainly filled with confidence and are feeling good about a variety of prospects.

Uranus, already an unstable planet, shifts from retrograde to direct motion on the 2nd, suggesting that there are changes afoot—especially evident in areas involving home, family (and its history), and domestic matters. If you're in control of at least some of these elements, your dedication to making the most of it is intact.

From the 1st to 12th, you're exceptionally sensitive and responsive to what's going on around you. And a conjunction of Mars with beneficent Jupiter on the 7th indicates that others are there to support your vision or jump onboard with whatever good ideas and plans you present throughout the first half of January.

Thinking could get diverted into an unproductive side-road of negativity or self-doubt on the 13th, 14th, or 15th, however, if you indulge the temptation to overanalyze or take to heart criticism lobbed by one with an agenda that runs contrary to yours—or somebody that just plain seems to delight in cutting others down to bite-size.

The New Moon in your sign on the 16th powerfully symbolizes the potential for a new beginning for you around mid-month, a new chapter opening up, a new route of passage, most likely built upon something you've been working toward, preparing for, or mulling over for quite some time already. Where a framework is solidly in place—at work, regarding school, or between prospective love mates—meaningful construction can be done on or after this date. And with Venus on the 17th and the Sun on the 19th entering your house of money and income, there are likely to be pleasing financial gains or material acquisitions made around mid-month, too.

Guard against stumbling over your own feet on the 24th, though, and don't be in denial about signals of a backslide or acts of sabotage (even self-sabotage?). Intuition can be a guide toward a dalliance with excitement or a bold adventure from the 26th to 31st (the Blue Moon Lunar Eclipse in dramatic Leo), with potent emphasis on body-mind-soul links.

Green Light Days: 1st, 2nd, 7th, 17th, 19th, 26th, 31st.

Red Light Days: 4th, 5th, 13th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 24th, 25th.

1ST MON. THE FULL MOON calls for a coordination and merging of your personal needs and interests with those of your mate or a partner. Compromise can strengthen alliances, minimize differences.

2ND TU. In spite of the potential of yesterday's Full Moon to work out interpersonal differences, it won't eliminate them completely, as you'll see now. You'll have your hands full dealing with challenges today.

3RD WED. Survey financial/business structures carefully; revamp plans that haven't been profitable/productive. A judicious application of your financial prowess and utterly practical attitude keeps you one step ahead.

4TH TH. Early today, make an effort to see people as they presently are rather than allow past experience to influence your reactions negatively. An open mind leads to progress later.

5TH FRI. The odds support satisfying gains for you personally, professionally, financially, or socially. Associations with groups add sparkle to your life and prove rewarding.

6TH SAT. A bright idea proves that, once again, sooner or later everything old is new again. The past holds new answers to an old problem. There could be reason to celebrate among friends.

7TH SUN. Expect more exciting developments on the social front. Take today's Mars-Jupiter contact to strengthen a friendship, expand your social life, or make big plans as part of a team or group.

8TH MON. You've got stature in a group, and that group or contact is somehow motivating. Competition challenges you and gives you an edge, so welcome it. You've got the steely resolve to reach a goal.

9TH TU. Your contacts can be used to give your ambitions a boost. You can mix business with pleasure to push forward your aims. It's all about using the "iron hand in a velvet glove approach.

10TH WED. Your find that things will hum along nicely if you trust your intuition and rely on it as your inner-guidance system. A communication glitch this evening is minor if you nip it in the bud or correct it.

11TH TH. The focus continues to be on your social life, groups, and contacts—and happily so, at least until later in the day, when irregularities could throw you off. Keep apace of changes.

12TH FRI. "A new broom sweeps clean" is a phrase that you should allow to guide you. Complete unfinished work. Resolve differences. Correct misunderstandings. Put the past behind you.

13TH SAT. You'll find the day's unpredictable quality enjoyable when you get to make changes, but possibly dismaying when someone foists any on you. Everyone would benefit from have the space to make personal choices.

14TH SUN. The second half of the weekend can be as unpredictable as the first. And now you may have to contend with rebelliousness on your or another's part. Once again, there's a need for compromise.

15TH MON. People in you life, group affiliations, and current circumstances can be agents of powerful, positive, affirmative and affirming changes—something that feels a bit like a rebirth.

16TH TU. THE NEW MOON puts you powerfully in the spotlight where you'll be a magnet for attention, setting the stage for alliances in the coming weeks. For now, it's not a time for going it alone.

17TH WED. Venus begins a three-week transit of your solar second house, during which time it will be generally well aspected—a time to earn more, acquire desired items, and to gift others.

18TH TH. Attend to shortages and problems without delay so that they don't become worse. Though indications today aren't conducive to lighthearted associations, it will help to have a cheerful attitude.

19TH FRI. Messages, words, and various exchanges have a fascinating seductive appeal. If turning some small dream into a reality seems like a possibility, it probably is.

20TH SAT. Relations with relatives, neighbors, and others are tricky—good for the most part, but you'll have to contend with complications. If there is any way to get arrangements mixed up, it will be found.

21ST SUN. Compared to yesterday, a more reliable atmosphere reigns. The day has potential to be active, even supercharged, maybe in large part due to others who are catalysts for movement, activity, and change.

22ND MON. It might take effort to get going this morning, as enthusiasm and motivation may be lacking. Rewards await those who can push past that.

23RD TU. If you're seriously troubled by a lack of progress, consider radical reorganization, or maybe clearing the air—but watch verbal responses.

24TH WED. Your words have power. Thoughts can take an obsessive turn. You have the means for getting to the bottom of things. Don't spill a secret.

25TH TH. Agreements can be reached. News is positive. Messages open the door to expanded opportunities to improve your overall prospects.

26TH FRI. Mars begins a two-month trek through your twelfth house. Work quietly alone. Be careful not to undermine your efforts, be your own worst enemy.

27TH SAT. Today's aspects offer a chance to hit the reset button where one-track thinking is concerned. There's no harm in admitting you were wrong.

28TH SUN. Relations with a partner or ally may be strained, owing to actual demands or obligations, or it just may feel that way. Set some limits.

29TH MON. If relationships were challenged, you could face more of the same today. Regardless, it's a good idea to soft-pedal differences.

30TH TU. A window of opportunity opens this morning to have a good dialogue with someone. You can capitalize on a private tip.

31ST WED. THE FULL MOON brings to a climax personal and/or partnership financial issues, perhaps culminating in a mutually beneficial alliance.

Use each part of every day best by following the aspects in the Self-Guidance Chart.



EMPHASIS IS IN YOUR 12TH HOUSE. IT RULES

- personal limitations and problems
- charitable acts, institutions
- investigation, self-analysis
- confidential matters

YOU ACHIEVE THE GREATEST SUCCESS BY

- remembering that duty comes first
- trying to increase your income
- finding the causes for worries
- getting in with a new crowd

YOU SHOULD AVOID

- allowing self-doubt to discourage you
- becoming involved in shady affairs
- not getting enough sleep and rest
- forsaking faith and idealism

YOUR JANUARY HOROSCOPE AND DAILY ACTIVITY GUIDE

Imagination and intuition are stirred in ways that can at times be magical and inspired, and at other times be an unwelcome distraction as the month begins with the Sun, Venus, Saturn, and Pluto in your twelfth, the most cosmic and ethereal of the houses. The Cancer Full Moon on the 1st can help you channel some of your deepest emotions and spiritual insights into creative productivity, and into practical work that incorporates craftsmanship, ingenuity, and inventiveness.

Uranus, the planetary ruler of your sign, turns direct on the 2nd, corresponding with a growing feeling of restlessness, liberation, or freedom that continues through at least the 12th. A blunt way with words can make inroads in some circumstances but cause friction in others, so it's exceptionally important to exercise good judgment in communication from the 1st to 12th.

The impulse for many (including you?) to choose sides and dig in deeply when virtually any argument, debate, or question arises is strong on the 13th, 14th, and 15th, and this could wind up contributing to the very sort of slowdown or disruption that everybody wishes to avoid. The New Moon of the 16th draws attention toward the source, roots, or core of nearly any situation or relationship under inspection toward mid-

month, and you might feel compelled to adopt a very philosophical or sentimental attitude about a choice or decision.

Dreams, clairvoyance, or extrasensory perceptions are imbued with extra potency as Venus (17th) and the Sun (19th) enter your sign, followed by a series of harmonious aspects that point toward real-world applications for intuitive wisdom through at least the 24th. A team effort or project that unites family, neighborhood, or larger community can take off in a new direction or pick up steam excitingly on and after the 26th, as assertive Mars enters upbeat Sagittarius, doing good things not only for the individual outlooks of participants, but also on behalf of an underdog, healthcare cause, or a group in need. Developments in your love life, a secret crush, or private affair are likely from then through the 31st, when the dynamic between the Leo Blue Moon Lunar Eclipse and Mercury's entrance into your sign magnify romantic thinking, attraction, and the desirability of togetherness.

Green Light Days: 2nd, 8th, 12th, 20th, 21st, 22nd, 24th, 26th.

Red Light Days: 1st, 13th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 30th, 31st.

1ST MON. THE FULL MOON arises in your zone of work, health, daily routine, and service, stressing your need for a more balanced and rested mind-body-spirit well-being. This affects relations as well.

2ND TU. You feel less tense and more soulfully unwound internally just as your ruler, exciting, destabilizing Uranus goes direct, shaking the ground you had, which all becomes too emotional for you.

3RD WED. A calm sense of peace seems to bubble up from inside you, calming your more electrically charged nature. Maybe a partner has an allure that also softens hard edges.

4TH TH. If you're a pre-dawn riser, conflict can run into breakfast. Strong words, a secret or suspicion, can set off a chain of "telephone." Luckily, an after-lunch treaty restores happiness all through the day!

5TH FRI. The early morning feels like a weight on your shoulders, but if you stand up to the day with stability and maturity, that can induce an enthusiasm to drive everyday tasks or difficult affairs.

6TH SAT. An expansive opportunity or funds-driven matter scope widely in business as a sudden change, option, or idea bursts potential wide open. Pursue it with all your resources; reap some as well.

7TH SUN. If you've got a heady, heart-centered plan, don't look for friendly others to join in this morning. Glum moods or relationship difficulties could be little tag-alongs for the day—if you let them.

8TH MON. Hidden resources and support, influential alliances, one secret rendezvous, background strategies; these bring luck, opportunity, success, and the inner drive to work hard for this recognition.

9TH TU. Yesterday's overflow stirs with the same intense feelings, but this time one that could build a strong, impeachable union—or a power struggle if there's resistance. Go for the sultry depth instead.

10TH WED. Overflowing midnight energy or the drive and confidence to finish something started keeps the wheels revving. You feel accomplished and proud, as you should when you follow "right action."

11TH TH. As if you weren't already preoccupied with some agenda or business venture, now Mercury enters Capricorn. In your twelfth house, however, ambitions may turn quiet and morph into private worries.

12TH FRI. Friends might play a big part in today's activities. You could probably use a congenial break after recent presses for success. If you can deal with everyone's idiosyncrasies, it could be fun.

13TH SAT. A behind-the-scenes decision, depression, outburst, or break could be debilitating if you don't see the purpose of it. Count to ten and seek inner guidance, not more exaggerated outer ideas.

14TH SUN. If you've been holding in feelings that need a way out, they may burst. Words, actions, and attitudes break tradition, schedules, and commitments. The cure comes from you: inner discipline.

15TH MON. Forget a wee-hours problem. There are rewards or recognition galore if you've been doing the hardworking right thing—which you have! A secret or influential supporter has your back!

16TH TU. THE NEW MOON brings a fresh start to your self-examining ways. You've achieved something special, and now you can throw out the old and plant positive intentions that grow with evolutionary force.

17TH WED. As Venus enters your sign, which should be lovely, Mars is dented by Uranus, so take care of risky moves that could lead to an accident. Tonight, when you're safe, start enjoying your popularity.

18TH TH. Are you pacing in the middle of the night? Up and angry? Fighting with someone? Try to shake the agitation and calm down, especially as you leave night behind and enter a brighter morning.

19TH FRI. You move through the day surrounded by the soft energies of compassion and kindness. With the Sun entering your sign, your own sense of altruism rises, along with a sense of vitality and joy.

20TH SAT. You may do local shopping today or go to a neighborhood film (good idea) or library event. After the activity, a nice dinner or easygoing shopping brings up good connections, which offer stability, too.

21ST SUN. The morning conspires to make you feel good about yourself, rich with resources and gratitude. Emotional action stirs everyone's soul tonight.

22ND MON. Things may be very lively right in your own neighborhood. If you can, schedule a noontime local lunch date or shopping jaunt with a girlfriend.

23RD TU. If there's A.M. discord, don't look for afternoon resolution. You have to adapt—your words and to others' moods. Midnight stirs restless urges.

24TH WED. Moods might be ponderous if you've got something to think over. It could be a big decision that eventually transforms your way of life.

25TH TH. Yesterday's deep thinking brings just the right optimism in return as well as good news and the positive response you had hoped for.

26TH FRI. Mars enters Sagittarius, enlivening your social circle and bringing you into adventures with pals and groups of like-minded allies and friends.

27TH SAT. Breakfast might be just the right time to have a friendly talk with a pal or partner. Conversations bring up all sorts of fun activities.

28TH SUN. Post-midnight nerves or edgy changes make it hard to sleep. Try to put your worries away and not get too caught up in emotional problems.

29TH MON. Vision is a little obscured today, so put off material decisions. Maybe you can instead break out unused talents and enhance the artist in you.

30TH TU. Morning discussions may be more emotional than you'd like. But once the latter part of the day get going, a partner's moves are enchanting!

31ST WED. THE FULL MOON is in Leo as Mercury enters Aquarius, making your needs and your partner's front and center. It's a lively networking period!

Use each part of every day best by following the aspects in the Self-Guidance Chart.



EMPHASIS IS IN YOUR 11TH HOUSE. IT RULES

- social contacts and opportunities
- transactions involving friends
- foremost hopes and wishes
- business income

YOU ACHIEVE THE GREATEST SUCCESS BY

- ending associations which waste your time
- improving yourself through education
- curbing outlays and extravagances
- seeing people who can help you

YOU SHOULD AVOID

- getting involved in half-baked schemes
- creating trouble with people you like
- telling the wrong people your goals
- being shy in group affairs

YOUR JANUARY HOROSCOPE AND DAILY ACTIVITY GUIDE

A partner, friend, loved one, or group offers excellent advice or guidance as the month begins and can be a healthily grounding influence or bring practical structure to an idea or plan. With the Sun, Venus, Saturn, and Pluto in earthy Capricorn and the Full Moon in Cancer on the 1st, the more organized you are or the greater focus you can bring to everyday tasks from that date to the 12th, the more you're able to achieve.

Uranus' shift from retrograde to forward motion on the 2nd takes place in your sector of money, income, material possessions, and self-esteem—the latter often connected to the previous three items. The chance to increase your income or to make a much-desired purchase exists this month, with much hinging upon cultivating the correct contacts and implementing an effective strategy. Extra effort made to cooperate with those in authority, to seamlessly fit in with an assembled body, or to contribute to a group objective, especially at work or school, can have a big payoff from the 13th to the 16th (Capricorn New Moon), whereas too much overt self-interest might be interpreted as arrogant or disruptive.

Feelings of belonging and acceptance are powerfully motivating and rejuvenating in your personal life, too, and it can be exceptionally energizing to visit, communi-

cate with, or otherwise share quality time with someone with whom you feel affirmed and secure. Psychic perceptions, bursts of creative magic, vivid dreams, or clangors of the paranormal can be attention-grabbers as Venus (17th) and the Sun (19th) enter your most mystical and otherworldly of astrological zones, your own natural twelfth house. The series of harmonious aspects that follow keep your intuitive radar set to pick up upon the most subtle and sensitive of signals through at least the 25th, even if many are vague or too wispy to understand logically—and it's no shock that romantic feelings are similarly stirred from the 17th to the 25th.

Mars' entrance into your Sagittarian house of career and public standing on the 26th raises your ambitions, energizes prospects for professional advancement, and elevates your social profile from then to the 31st (Blue Moon Leo Lunar Eclipse), when the link between hard work and good results is clear, rational, and obvious.

Green Light Days: 2nd, 11th, 12th, 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th, 31st.

Red Light Days: 1st, 13th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th, 19th.

1ST MON. THE FULL MOON finds you drawing closer to friends, children, and other affectional ties, perhaps making plans concerning dreams and interests that are dear to your hearts.

2ND TU. Uranus stations direct in your solar second house. Starting now, adopt a new mindset where income, earning, and spending are concerned. Harness restlessness. Direct it at new goals. Embrace new directions.

3RD WED. The day offers a chance to mix sensitively with friends and enjoy imaginative outings with them. Your love comes back to you in gentle devotion expressed through compassionate demonstrations.

4TH TH. Do nothing to rile sensitive egos this morning when some can be very touchy. By letting sleeping dogs lie where that's concerned, you'll head unobstructed into a busy day feeling supported.

5TH FRI. Travel, education, legal, home, and family benefits, expansion, and luck are among the happy possibilities. Simultaneously, a friendship undergoes a test of commitment.

6TH SAT. Letting others organize the day should be to your advantage. If nothing else, you'll have plenty of fun. Sudden availability of funds or some item should generate excitement, too.

7TH SUN. An approaching Sun-Jupiter sextile brings a generous amount of goodwill, maybe even luck, where friends and group ties are concerned. Sociability, travel, education, and goal-attainment are favored.

8TH MON. There's energy to get a project moving forward toward success and support from stand-by-you friends. Business, too, takes a turn for the better, putting you in line for accolades or increases.

9TH TU. Your view of the future, either long-term or short-term, is undergoing a metamorphosis. A friendship is experiencing change, too. Social pressure is a factor with which you'll need to contend.

10TH WED. Imagination is a powerful force, one that merits nurturance and attention. Intuitive or psychic forces could be available for you to use. Allow idealism to take precedence over purely mundane concerns.

11TH TH. Promising early trends find you joining with a friend on a trip or business and other interests proceeding harmoniously. Though a complication could throw a wrench into plans, you can regain bearings.

12TH FRI. Occupational interests, goals, status, or parents could be a preoccupation, which is all to the good, but be ready to be satisfied with modest results. Rebukes are possible if you've not been responsible.

13TH SAT. Relationships that were friendly seem unsteady, unstable, changing. It would be a good idea to let everyone have enough personal space so as to feel unlimited and unrestricted.

14TH SUN. Today could be round two of relationship shifts and uncertainty—or maybe just exciting change. Review yesterday's events for a clue as to which direction they'll take. You're in for more of the same.

15TH MON. You're due to get a new lease on life, rejuvenated hope and spirits. A change of scene could be beneficial. News or events brighten your prospects, signal where you're on the right track.

16TH TU. THE NEW MOON shows that your plans for the future include a built-in dependability factor, a strong augury for long-range success. Turn to experienced friends to advise and encourage you.

17TH WED. Watch acting too precipitously on an urge to get out of a rut; you could end up digging yourself into a deeper hole via reckless actions, especially dangerous if any spending is involved.

18TH TH. You may be chagrined about limitations that you're operating under and thus prone to taking action that's too bold in an effort to throw them off. Instead, try to be conscientious about obligations.

19TH FRI. An understanding that you share with someone or an insight that you have can't be explained by logic, but it's valid, nonetheless. Don't worry about being "realistic."

20TH SAT. With the Moon in your sign, you're not about ready to stay on the sidelines, but disturbances and some surprises can be unsettling. Some irregularities can be somewhat costly.

21ST SUN. The Moon in your sign indicates developments that are appealing, motivating. The outlook for being active and maybe having a travel, intellectual, or cultural adventure is super.

22ND MON. Early blockages, delays, or limitations seem frustratingly resistant to solutions, or it's just that impatience is the real problem.

23RD TU. It will take more than a cursory glance to decide what to do concerning issues that arise. And you don't want to arouse any suspicions.

24TH WED. Curiosity is aroused. Careful probing rather than too direct questions will get the communication ball rolling. Don't make decisions under pressure.

25TH TH. You can think up some good solid plans. Do some planning about affairs you have on hand, and also about future aims/ambitions.

26TH FRI. Job-centered activities rev now and over for the next two months. Nothing to do about it now, since the weekend is here. But that's about to change.

27TH SAT. Life (or friends) may throw a few surprises your way. At least it won't be dull. The unexpected can keep things interesting.

28TH SUN. There could be some emotional cross-currents, touchy people, and sensitive moods to contend with. Try not to take any of it personally.

29TH MON. Similar to yesterday, a lot of "live and let live" seems to be advisable, which may be hard to do with others making demands.

30TH TU. You'll have your hands full, but can reach your aims if you put your shoulder to the wheel and minimize distracting talk.

31ST WED. THE FULL MOON calls attention to issues of nurturance. Do you give yourself enough and get enough? If not, it's time to correct that.

Use each part of every day best by following the aspects in the Self-Guidance Chart.



CAPRICORN'S YEAR AHEAD



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YOUR ASTROLOGICAL OVERVIEW

This will be one of the most important times of your life. On December 19, 2017, Saturn, your ruling planet, began its two-and-a-half-year stay in your sign, Capricorn, where Pluto currently resides and has been residing since 2008. This dual transit is extremely rare, so make the most of every opportunity. If you have been doing things appropriate for your age and role in life, you will reap the rewards for past behavior. Although this transit may bring new challenges, it can also establish you as an authority in your field. The timing of this Saturn transit is fortunate because with expansive Jupiter in Scorpio and your sector of goals until early November, you will be able to make significant progress. This Jupiter placement gives you the energy and determination to achieve objectives that have lasting worth.



Uranus starts the year in Aries, your domestic zone, your solar fourth house.

On May 15, Uranus begins a seven-year trek through Taurus, your solar fifth house, which represents lovers, pleasure, offspring, and creativity. This transit can manifest in various ways. If you're lucky, you could produce a masterpiece or meet the love of your life. This chart sector is also associated with love affairs, risks, gambling, children, and pregnancy. Shocking developments can affect any of these areas of your life. Be careful!

While Neptune, the planet associated with spirituality, is in Pisces, your solar third house, you may be religious, idealistic, imaginative, or impractical in your thinking. This transit enhances the imagination and psychic powers. You may not always see things clearly, especially when siblings or neighbors are involved. If transiting Neptune forms a difficult aspect to any natal planet, problems can arise. You need to stay grounded in reality and maintain a positive outlook.

Pluto is still in Capricorn, where it will remain for many more years. If you put your mind to it, the combined energies of Saturn and Pluto can help you to organize your life and get rid of anything that has been slowing your progress. Whatever happens, you need to make practical choices and go with the natural flow of life.

Eclipses: An eclipse pinpoints an area of your life that is particularly important at the time of its occurrence, and for six to twelve months thereafter. The effect of any eclipse is strongest when it takes place; then its influence wanes until the next eclipse of the same type occurs. Five eclipses will

occur during your forecast period. The first, a Lunar Eclipse in Leo on January 31 emphasizes deep sharing, finances, and intimacy. As a result, you may need to eliminate a person or situation from your life. Although this may be difficult, you will handle any crisis with dignity and be glad you made the change. The Solar Eclipse in Aquarius on February 15 emphasizes your income. During the twelve months following this eclipse, your financial condition may change, for better or worse, though you may also find a new source of income or emotional support. On July 12, a Solar Eclipse in Cancer illuminates your close relationships, whether emotional or business; they will be in the spotlight for the following twelve months. The Lunar Eclipse in Aquarius on July 27 highlights your income and spending habits; during the following six months or so, you may see changes in this area. On August 11, a Solar Eclipse in Leo once again emphasizes finances, sharing, and intimacy; during the following twelve months, a crisis in one or all of these areas may arise and require your attention.

———— YOU ARE SPECIAL ————

Some of the world's most powerful people are Capricorns. If you were born under this Sun-Sign, you learned at an early age the need for self-control and discipline. Ruled by Saturn, the Teacher planet, you know you have a destiny and a purpose and you pursue them with dedication. You understand the value of having a spotless reputation in your private life and your public life. Ambitious and hard working, you are happiest and most effective when you are the boss. You are driven by a desire for respect, authority, material comforts, and (though you may not realize it) love.

Saturn's somber influence gives you tremendous stamina, but also makes you easy prey to depression. Sometimes you feel so overburdened with responsibility that you wonder how you can cope, but

you *do*. Your focus is so duty-oriented that you seldom take time to have fun or to express affection openly. You fear that openness would make you vulnerable. In love as in other sectors of your life, you tend to be cautious and to exercise self-control. You are a natural survivor.

Born December 22 to 31: Saturn is especially influential in your chart. Consequently, you are reserved and industrious, as you slowly work your way to a respected position in your family, business, profession, or community. You need to guard against overdoing work or taking on too many obligations. You may experience stress caused by unexpressed anger directed toward a mate, a boss, associate, co-worker, or relative. This year you can fill an unmet need. Keyword: Serious, responsible, steady.

Born January 1 to 10: Venus is especially powerful in your chart. You are attractive and have a fondness for beauty. You possess great stamina and patience. Most likely, you have a pleasant voice and a soothing presence. You are secretly emotional and desire recognition. Security and material comforts are important to you. This year, refine the image you project to the world. Keywords: Honest, attractive, imaginative.

Born January 11 to 20: Mercury is especially important in your chart. This planet's influence makes you bright, versatile, and changeable. You are mentally oriented, curious, witty, and articulate. You need to stay focused on the task you are doing and not let your mind drift to some other subject. When it comes to love and jobs, you need to choose wisely because you become bored very easily. This year, learn a new skill. Keywords: Articulate, adaptable, goal-oriented.

———— PLANETARY CYCLES ————

Timing is important in all matters. You

increase your chances of success when you time your moves according to the positions of the planets. By acting in accordance with planetary cycles, you can make the most of each day and be successful. The best time to begin any new venture is when all the planets are moving forward, or traveling *direct*.

Periodically, all the planets, but not the Sun or Moon, appear to stop and change direction in their orbits. During these *retrograde* periods, projects or relationships may come to a halt, and delays or setbacks can occur. Things tend to move forward once again when the concerned planet resumes direct travel. You can use retrograde periods to review work, rethink issues, prepare for future jobs, or gather strength for the busier days that lie ahead.

Mercury's retrograde periods seem to cause more problems than those of the other planets. During your forecast period, Mercury is retrograde from March 22 to April 15, July 26 to August 18, and November 16 to December 6. During these times, errors can occur in documents and messages; travel and communication can be disrupted. Be clear when speaking or writing to minimize the possibility of misunderstandings.

———— SPECIAL MESSAGES ———— FOR CAPRICORN

Your Romance and Relationships: The person who wants to win and keep your love should be honorable, intelligent, and appreciative. Your best time for love is between December 25, 2017, and January 16, 2018, while Venus is in Capricorn. A friendship may become passionate or intense between December 9 and January 25, while Mars visits Scorpio. You may have secret affairs between January 26 and March 16, while Mars moves through your solar twelfth house. Siblings or neighbors could provide opportunities to meet new people between February 10 and March 5, when Venus visits Pisces. You

may find affection at home between March 6 and 29, thanks to Venus in Aries. You may long for love between March 30 and April 23, while Venus visits Taurus. Encounters with interesting people you meet through your work or a pet are on the agenda between April 24 and May 18, while Venus visits Gemini. Go out on social dates with your significant other between May 19 and June 12, while Venus is in Cancer. Intimacy may be sweet between June 13 and July 9, thanks to Venus in ardent Leo. You may flirt with teachers, religious people, lawyers, or travelers between July 10 and August 5, while Venus graces Virgo. You prefer the presence of powerful people between August 6 and September 8, as Venus moves through Libra, and also after October 31, when retrograde motion returns Venus to Libra. A friendship may become special between September 9 and October 30, thanks to Venus in Scorpio. With Venus in Libra between October 31 and December 1, you can attract powerful people. After that, you could meet new friends, who may become your lovers.

Your Money and Work: Your annual financial cycle begins on January 19, when the Sun enters Aquarius, an excellent time to organize accounts and to work on budgets; conserve resources and use money wisely all year. You could earn income through work done at home between March 6 and 29, while Venus visits Aries. Always keep informed about your partner's finances, but especially between June 29 and September 4, when Mercury visits your sector of shared holdings; in addition, review your debts, will, insurance, investments, and retirement plans, and don't take on any new financial obligations. In 2018, you can make headway in business or your specialty between September 22 and October 22, while the Sun in Libra supports your efforts: successfully complete jobs that showcase your special abilities.

Your Health and Habits: With volatile Uranus in your domestic sector until mid-May, you need to be careful at home; accidents and fires can occur. Keep doors and windows locked to minimize the possibility of break-ins. See that repairs are done promptly. After Uranus enters Taurus, your solar fifth house, on May 15, avoid unsafe sex and other risks; sexually transmitted diseases and unplanned pregnancies are possible. Saturn and Pluto in Capricorn all year strengthen your self-control, so you can protect yourself. You need to follow a sensible diet, to exercise, and to get sufficient sleep.

Your Spiritual Life: Your ideals influence your thoughts and put you in a rather spiritual frame of mind now, as Neptune is in your solar third house. If you become confused about what to do, don't do anything rash. You could change your mind and regret your move later. Spend time with people who uplift your mind and spirit. Enrich your mind and soul through reading, prayer, music, yoga, meditation, or going on retreat. These activities can bring answers and lead to peace of mind.

———— MAKE MARS YOUR ACTION GUIDE ————

Mars represents energy, drive, and courage. As Mars moves through your chart, it prods you to take initiative, attack problems, and turn desires into actions. During your forecast period, Mars travels from Scorpio to Pisces, along the way energizing and activating many chart areas. You can create the kind of life you want by working on one area at a time as Mars moves through the signs. Schedule your actions to take place when Mars supports your efforts, as indicated in the paragraphs below.

From the start of your forecast period to January 25: While Mars is in Scorpio, you can actively pursue goals, whether personal or business. Set new, more specific

objectives. Make a point of getting to know influential people who may be able to help you in your career. You may join with groups or like-minded people to achieve goals. Some friends may be attracted to you sexually, whether or not you find them attractive.

January 26 to March 16: While Mars is in Sagittarius, slow down. Rest, do research, or prepare for future projects. You may be tempted to have secret affairs or know someone who is having one. You can get in touch with your spiritual side or plan your next move. Avoid illegal activities, because you would probably get caught!

March 17 to May 14: Mars is in Capricorn, a high-energy period. People who meet you may view you as exciting, energetic, impulsive, or sexy, depending on your appearance, behavior, and approach. Don't be pushy or smug—advice that also applies when driving a vehicle. If you are prone to headaches, avoid the things that can trigger them. If you buy new clothing or have a makeover, you can do so with confidence.

May 15 to August 11: While Mars is in Aquarius, your money zone, you can organize your finances and work on budgets. You may have high expenses, but if you really make an effort, you may find new sources of income or emotional support. If you feel an urge to splurge, resist it!

August 12 to September 9: Retrograde motion takes Mars back into Capricorn during this time, which can affect your health or personal needs.

September 10 to November 14: Mars is again in Aquarius; financial affairs are emphasized. Pay bills; control your spending.

November 15 to the end of your forecast period: Mars in Pisces increases your

mental activity. You are eager to make your point in conversations, letters, presentations, and documents. Take the time to check the facts so you don't make mistakes. You may be running lots of errands or driving family members to school or events. Don't be rude, pushy, or smug. Avoid reckless driving, argumentative people, and high-crime neighborhoods.

—YOUR MONTHLY FORECAST—

As you have undoubtedly observed, there are times when everything seems to go smoothly for you, and other times when the going is rough. These trends are linked to the planets' movements through the signs and the houses of your solar horoscope. Moody Days occur when the Moon is in your sign; you may be emotionally vulnerable then. Actions and decisions may be based on feelings instead of on logic or reason. Here are trends and dates you can use to advantage.

January: Two Full Moons occur this month. The Full Moon in Cancer on the 1st may illuminate a relationship that needs nurturing. Venus in Capricorn until the 16th makes you even more attractive than usual. The New Moon in Capricorn on the 16th is an excellent time to buy new work clothes or to begin a minor makeover. Once the Sun enters Aquarius on the 19th, you may be able to find new sources of income or emotional support. You may be tempted to have secret affairs or to engage questionable activities or those that have potential to backfire on you after Mars enters Sagittarius on the 26th. The Full Moon Lunar Eclipse in Leo on the 31st may call attention to your intimate needs, finances, or other serious issues. Over the next six months, you may deal with taxes, bills, insurance, inheritances, or surgery. *Moody Days: 14th, 15th, 16th. Keyword for the month: Integrity.*

February: During the first ten days of the month, Venus in Aquarius can help you to

find bargains. The Solar Eclipse in Aquarius on the 15th may inspire you to host a Valentine's Day party. Your finances and spending habits are emphasized while the Sun visits Aquarius until the 17th, an excellent time to review accounts and to work on budgets. While Venus visits Pisces between February 10 and March 5, you can communicate with grace and ease; let your dear ones know that you care about their welfare. Learning, thinking, and communicating are emphasized between February 17 and March 5, while Mercury in Pisces enhances imagination. During that same time period, you may feel a spiritual bond with a sibling or neighbor, thanks to the Sun, Venus, and Neptune also in Pisces. When the Sun joins Neptune in Pisces on the 18th, you may have mixed feelings about a neighbor, relative, or local issue; a car, computer, telephone or appliance could be involved. *Moody Days: 11th, 12th. Keyword for the month: Innovation.*

March: Two Full Moons can make you more emotional than usual this month. The first, a Full Moon in Virgo on the 1st, reminds you to be punctual and to meet deadlines. The second, a Libra Full Moon on the 31st, may bring the culmination of a job, business, or professional project over the two weeks that follow. In addition, someone may either move into or out of your department at work. With Venus in Aries between the 6th and 30th, and Mercury there between March 6 and May 12, home is a busy place. On the 8th, Jupiter turns retrograde in Scorpio. (Does this mean you'll meet a mysterious new friend?) You may start a writing project or something that involves travel or communication around the 17th, under the New Moon in Pisces. *Moody Days: 10th, 11th, 12th. Keyword for the month: Initiative.*

April: Retrograde planets can slow progress now. With Mercury retrograde

for the first two weeks of the month, you should examine all documents for possible errors. Communication should improve after Mercury turns direct on the 15th. Jupiter is retrograde all month and beyond, so don't expect to get help from other people; they'll be too busy seeing to *their* needs. After Saturn turns retrograde on the 17th, and Pluto turns retrograde on the 22nd, progress may slow down; this is a poor time to start a new business, campaign, or relationship. Creativity is at a high point after the Sun enters Taurus on the 19th, which launches a month-long period during which you may long for love or excitement. Avoid potentially perilous activities, such as gambling, dangerous sports, or risky sex. Have fun, but don't go crazy! *Moody Days: 6th, 7th, 8th. Keyword for the month: Patience.*

May: You're in a playful frame of mind and want to have fun after Mercury enters your pleasure zone on the 13th. Express yourself however you want. You can expect changes after Uranus enters Taurus and the New Moon occurs in that sign on the 15th. Surprises, good or bad, will occur during this Uranus transit, which lasts until April 2026. Although changes that occur during this time may be dramatic, they will probably produce good results. Be open to changes, but also be sensible. You may be busy with bills, earning money, or trying to find bargains after Mars enters Aquarius on the 15th. You can work on relationships between May 19 and June 12, while Venus sweetens your solar seventh house. You can focus on strengthening family finances and the bonds of intimacy that link you and your dear ones between May 20 and June 20, when the Sun in Gemini supports your efforts. *Moody Days: 4th, 5th, 31st. Keyword for the month: Stability.*

June: You may be busy with financial affairs or material needs now that Mars

is in your solar second house. The Gemini New Moon on the 13th encourages you to examine your work methods and habits to see if and where you need to make changes. Venus enters Leo on the 13th, and in the following few weeks you could learn money management—or some erotic skills. While the Sun brightens your partnership zone between June 21 and July 21, focus on improving your alliances and one-on-one relationships, whether emotional or business. The Full Moon in Capricorn on the 27th may shed light on a personal matter that needs attention; your appearance or approach may be involved. *Moody Days: 27th, 28th, 29th. Keyword for the month: Intelligence.*

July: The Sun in your solar seventh house through the 21st encourages you to spend time with your favorite person or significant other. You could need a break between July 9 and August 5, while Venus visits Virgo; if you can't take much time off, even just one day at a nearby spa or resort can refresh body, mind, and spirit. After Jupiter resumes direct motion on the 10th, you have the energy to pursue goals actively. After the Sun enters Leo on the 22nd, you can warm up a relationship, and maybe even your significant other. If you plan to travel this month or the next, confirm all reservations well before Mercury turns retrograde on the 26th. The Lunar Eclipse in Aquarius on the 27th emphasizes your finances, values, and material needs, any of which may have increased importance during the next six months or so. *Moody Days: 24th, 25th, 26th. Keyword for the month: Honesty.*

August: Your patience may be tested, as six planets spend time retrograde. Use any extra time to review your recent moves and decisions. With retrograde Mars in Aquarius the first twelve days, financial affairs can be complicated. You

are comfortable with superiors, elders, and mentors between August 6 and September 8, while Venus visits Libra. Your education and beliefs are especially important for four weeks after the Sun enters Virgo on the 22nd. Your personality and appearance are in the spotlight after Mars enters Capricorn on the 12th. People who meet you may view you as assertive, eager, capable, or sexy during the next few weeks, depending upon your appearance and behavior. You may feel especially energized after Mars resumes direct motion on the 27th. *Moody Days: 21st, 22nd, 23rd. Keyword for the month: Efficiency.*

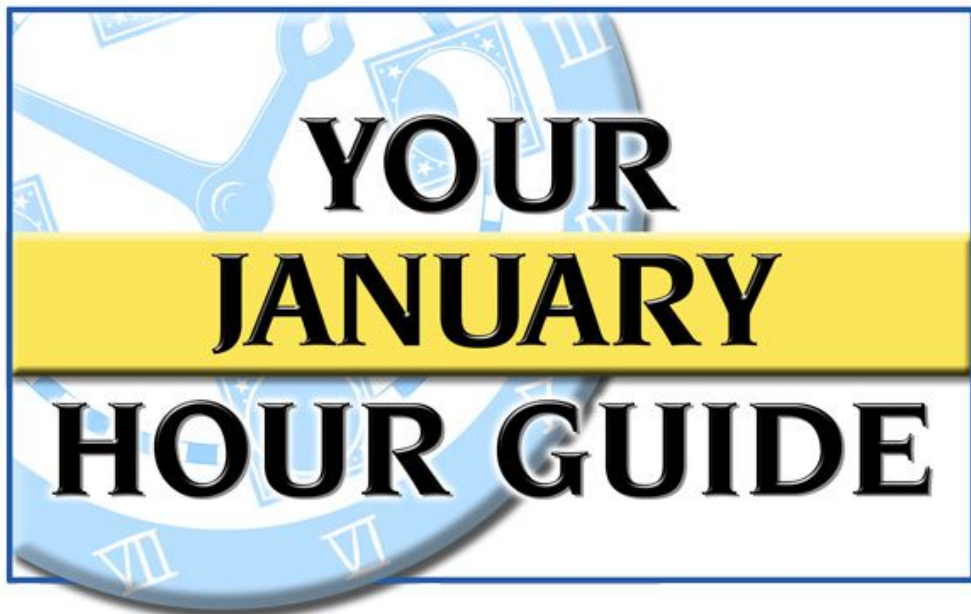
September: Deadlines, punctuality, and efficiency are emphasized for the first three weeks of the month, while the Sun visits Virgo. Your education and beliefs will figure prominently in happenings and events. After Saturn turns direct in Capricorn on the 6th, you can move forward with a personal plan or project. The New Moon in Virgo on the 9th may motivate you to take an educational course that can help you in your work. After the Sun enters Libra on the 22nd, you can strengthen your position in your firm, community, or profession. Just be tactful, professional, and helpful. During the following four weeks, you can win over a boss or employer by being diplomatic, intelligent, and charming. *Moody Days: 17th, 18th, 19th. Keyword for the month: Cooperation.*

October: With as many as three planets plus the Sun in Scorpio, your sector of friendship, at times this month, your social life gets a boost. Jupiter in Scorpio can help you with groups and the pursuit of your goals, whether personal or business. With Venus retrograde between October 5 and November 15, however, this is a poor time to begin a marriage, business, or partnership. The New Moon in Libra on the 8th may bring someone new

into your work area or professional life. Encourage this person to talk, and then listen to his or her comments. During the two weeks following that New Moon, if you approach your friends, associates, employers, or mentors politely, some may help you get things you want. *Moody Days: 14th, 15th, 16th. Keyword for the month: Diplomacy.*

November: On the 6th, retrograde motion takes Uranus back into Aries, where this planet will remain until early March. During this period, if you encounter problems you thought were resolved, don't do anything rash. The New Moon in Scorpio on the 7th encourages active pursuit of your goals. If you stay focused on them for the next two weeks or so, you will make progress. The Full Moon in Gemini on the 23rd may bring the culmination of a work assignment or a diet; this may be a good time to get your annual medical checkup. *Moody Days: 11th, 12th. Keyword for the month: Perseverance.*

December: The New Moon in Sagittarius on the 7th sets a tone of good cheer and enthusiasm for this festive month. Even if things aren't quite perfect, you can still enjoy the holiday season by adopting a positive attitude. As your birthday approaches, your energy and ambition should increase. When the Sun finally enters Capricorn on the 21st, you can move forward with any new personal plans or projects. In anticipation, review all that you have achieved or attempted to achieve in this past year. Give yourself credit for even the smallest of victories, and forgive yourself for any mistakes, but learn from them. The Full Moon in Cancer on the 22nd may be a good time to renegotiate an important relationship, but be sensitive to the needs and feelings of the people around you. Expect a bright future! Go get 'em, Capricorn! *Moody Days: 8th, 9th, 10th. Keyword for the month: Enthusiasm.*



YOUR JANUARY HOUR GUIDE

A planetary hour feature meets with immediate success because of the ease and simplicity with which results are obtained. When combined with the daily aspects listed in the Self-Guidance Chart, the advantages of this guide are enhanced. Find the nearest latitude on any map or in an atlas for your locality and the planetary rulership of your activity; then proceed as follows to use the accompanying tables.



Question: I have inherited some money and wish to invest it wisely. When would be a propitious time to start moving toward that objective by meeting with a broker? I live at latitude 43°

Answer: Your objective comes under the rulership of Jupiter (bankers and brokers). Monday, the 8th, is a very propitious day, as it has the support of a good aspect between the money planets, Venus and Jupiter, as well as

a positive sextile between the Sun and Jupiter, a guarantee of growth and success. Moreover, these aspects occur in signs relevant to your situation: Scorpio (investments, inheritance) and Capricorn (long-range planning). A Jupiter hour—9:04 A.M. to 9:50 A.M. or 2:25 P.M. to 3:10 P.M.—on that date would be especially favorable for scheduling an appointment. Good luck!

THE SUN—ruler of Leo. Reigns over business and social advancement, employment, promotion, favors, public announcements, authority figures. The Sun governs the upper back and heart, right eye in males, left eye in females. Its metal is gold; its colors, orange and golden shades; its flowers, yellow poppy and marigold; its day, Sunday. Favorable: 2nd, 5th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 12th, 23rd, 24th, and 28th. Unfavorable: 14th and 17th.

JANUARY 1st to 7th, ANY YEAR, in North Latitude
 ♃ Saturn; ♃ Jupiter; ♂ Mars; ☉ Sun; ♀ Venus; ☿ Mercury; ☾ Moon.
Day Hours; Sunrise to Sunset. Mean Time.

Lat. 27°	Lat. 29°	Lat. 31°	Lat. 33°	Lat. 35°	Lat. 37°	Lat. 39°	Lat. 41°	Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa	Lat. 43°	Lat. 45°	Lat. 47°	Lat. 49°	Lat. 51°	Lat. 53°	Lat. 55°
6.50	6.54	6.58	7.03	7.08	7.14	7.19	7.25	☉	☽	♃	♃	♃	☽	♃	7.32	7.38	7.46	7.55	8.04	8.14	8.26
7.42	7.46	7.49	7.53	7.57	7.62	7.67	7.72	☽	♃	♃	♃	♃	☽	♃	8.17	8.22	8.29	8.26	8.44	8.52	9.02
8.35	8.37	8.40	8.43	8.47	8.51	8.54	8.58	♃	♃	♃	♃	♃	☽	♃	9.03	9.07	9.12	9.18	9.24	9.31	9.39
9.27	9.29	9.31	9.33	9.36	9.39	9.41	9.44	♃	♃	♃	♃	♃	☽	♃	9.48	9.51	9.55	9.59	10.04	10.09	10.15
10.19	10.20	10.21	10.23	10.25	10.27	10.28	10.31	♃	♃	♃	♃	♃	☽	♃	10.33	10.35	10.38	10.41	10.44	10.47	10.51
11.11	11.12	11.13	11.13	11.14	11.16	11.17	11.17	♃	♃	♃	♃	♃	☽	♃	11.18	11.19	11.21	11.22	11.24	11.25	11.28
12.04	12.04	12.04	12.04	12.04	12.04	12.04	12.04	♃	♃	♃	♃	♃	☽	♃	12.04	12.04	12.04	12.04	12.04	12.04	12.04
12.56	12.55	12.54	12.54	12.53	12.52	12.52	12.50	♃	♃	♃	♃	♃	☽	♃	12.49	12.48	12.46	12.45	12.43	12.42	12.40
1.48	1.47	1.45	1.44	1.42	1.41	1.40	1.37	♃	♃	♃	♃	♃	☽	♃	1.34	1.32	1.29	1.26	1.23	1.20	1.17
2.40	2.38	2.36	2.33	2.31	2.29	2.27	2.23	♃	♃	♃	♃	♃	☽	♃	2.20	2.17	2.12	2.09	2.03	1.58	1.53
3.33	3.30	3.27	3.24	3.21	3.17	3.14	3.10	♃	♃	♃	♃	♃	☽	♃	3.05	3.01	2.55	2.50	2.43	2.37	2.29
4.24	4.22	4.18	4.14	4.09	4.06	4.02	3.56	♃	♃	♃	♃	♃	☽	♃	3.50	3.45	3.38	3.32	3.23	3.15	3.06
Night Hours; Sunset to Sunrise.																					
5.17	5.13	5.09	5.04	4.59	4.54	4.48	4.42	♃	♃	♃	♃	♃	☽	♃	4.35	4.29	4.21	4.12	4.03	3.53	3.42
6.25	6.21	6.18	6.14	6.10	6.06	6.01	5.56	♃	♃	♃	♃	♃	☽	♃	5.50	5.45	5.38	5.31	5.23	5.15	5.06
7.33	7.30	7.27	7.24	7.21	7.17	7.13	7.09	♃	♃	♃	♃	♃	☽	♃	7.05	7.01	6.55	6.49	6.43	6.37	6.29
8.40	8.38	8.36	8.34	8.31	8.29	8.26	8.23	♃	♃	♃	♃	♃	☽	♃	8.19	8.16	8.12	8.08	8.03	7.58	7.53
9.48	9.47	9.45	9.44	9.42	9.41	9.38	9.36	♃	♃	♃	♃	♃	☽	♃	9.34	9.32	9.29	9.26	9.23	9.20	9.17
10.56	10.55	10.54	10.54	10.53	10.52	10.51	10.50	♃	♃	♃	♃	♃	☽	♃	10.49	10.48	10.46	10.45	10.43	10.42	10.40
12.04	12.04	12.04	12.04	12.04	12.04	12.04	12.04	♃	♃	♃	♃	♃	☽	♃	12.04	12.04	12.04	12.04	12.04	12.04	12.04
1.11	1.12	1.13	1.13	1.14	1.16	1.16	1.17	♃	♃	♃	♃	♃	☽	♃	1.18	1.19	1.22	1.22	1.24	1.25	1.28
2.19	2.20	2.22	2.23	2.25	2.27	2.29	2.31	♃	♃	♃	♃	♃	☽	♃	2.33	2.35	2.39	2.42	2.44	2.47	2.51
3.27	3.29	3.31	3.33	3.36	3.39	3.41	3.44	♃	♃	♃	♃	♃	☽	♃	3.48	3.50	3.56	4.00	4.04	4.09	4.15
4.35	4.37	4.40	4.43	4.47	4.51	4.55	4.58	♃	♃	♃	♃	♃	☽	♃	5.03	5.06	5.13	5.19	5.24	5.31	5.39
5.42	5.46	5.49	5.53	5.57	6.02	6.07	6.11	♃	♃	♃	♃	♃	☽	♃	6.17	6.22	6.29	6.37	6.44	6.52	7.02

JULY 1st to 7th, ANY YEAR, in South Latitude.

THE MOON—ruler of Cancer. Reigns over domestic affairs, short journeys, boating, swimming, temporary plans. The Moon governs the breasts, stomach, female functions, brain matter, left eye in males, right eye in females. Its metal is silver; its colors, pearl and opalescent tints; its flowers, lily and white rose; its day, Monday. There are many Moon aspects during the month; check the Self-Guidance Chart for those that are favorable and those that are unfavorable. When favorable, you can influence others; when unfavorable, you tend to be negative, unstable, tactless, and changeable.

JANUARY 8th to 15th, ANY YEAR, in North Latitude
 ♃ Saturn; ♃ Jupiter; ♂ Mars; ☉ Sun; ♀ Venus; ☿ Mercury; ☾ Moon.
Day Hours; Sunrise to Sunset. Mean Time.

Lat. 27°	Lat. 29°	Lat. 31°	Lat. 33°	Lat. 35°	Lat. 37°	Lat. 39°	Lat. 41°	Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa	Lat. 43°	Lat. 45°	Lat. 47°	Lat. 49°	Lat. 51°	Lat. 53°	Lat. 55°
6.51	6.55	6.59	7.04	7.09	7.14	7.19	7.25	☉	☽	♃	♃	♃	☽	♃	7.32	7.38	7.46	7.53	8.03	8.12	8.23
7.44	7.47	7.50	7.55	7.59	7.64	7.69	7.74	☽	♃	♃	♃	♃	☽	♃	8.18	8.23	8.30	8.35	8.44	8.51	9.00
8.36	8.39	8.42	8.45	8.48	8.52	8.55	8.59	♃	♃	♃	♃	♃	☽	♃	9.04	9.08	9.13	9.18	9.24	9.30	9.38
9.29	9.31	9.33	9.36	9.38	9.41	9.43	9.46	♃	♃	♃	♃	♃	☽	♃	9.50	9.53	9.57	10.00	10.05	10.10	10.15
10.22	10.23	10.24	10.26	10.28	10.29	10.31	10.33	♃	♃	♃	♃	♃	☽	♃	10.35	10.37	10.40	10.42	10.46	10.49	10.52
11.14	11.15	11.16	11.17	11.18	11.19	11.20	11.21	♃	♃	♃	♃	♃	☽	♃	11.21	11.22	11.24	11.24	11.26	11.28	11.30
12.07	12.07	12.07	12.07	12.07	12.07	12.07	12.07	♃	♃	♃	♃	♃	☽	♃	12.07	12.07	12.07	12.07	12.07	12.07	12.07
1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	♃	♃	♃	♃	♃	☽	♃	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
1.52	1.51	1.50	1.48	1.46	1.45	1.43	1.41	♃	♃	♃	♃	♃	☽	♃	1.39	1.37	1.34	1.31	1.28	1.25	1.22
2.45	2.43	2.41	2.39	2.36	2.34	2.31	2.28	♃	♃	♃	♃	♃	☽	♃	2.25	2.22	2.18	2.13	2.09	2.05	1.59
3.38	3.35	3.32	3.29	3.26	3.22	3.19	3.15	♃	♃	♃	♃	♃	☽	♃	3.10	3.06	3.01	2.56	2.50	2.44	2.36
4.30	4.27	4.24	4.20	4.15	4.11	4.07	4.02	♃	♃	♃	♃	♃	☽	♃	3.56	3.51	3.34	3.38	3.30	3.23	3.14
Night Hours; Sunset to Sunrise.																					
5.23	5.19	5.15	5.10	5.05	5.00	4.55	4.49	♃	♃	♃	♃	♃	☽	♃	4.42	4.36	4.28	4.20	4.11	4.02	3.51
6.30	6.27	6.24	6.20	6.15	6.11	6.07	6.02	♃	♃	♃	♃	♃	☽	♃	5.56	5.51	5.44	5.38	5.30	5.23	5.14
7.38	7.35	7.32	7.29	7.26	7.22	7.19	7.15	♃	♃	♃	♃	♃	☽	♃	7.10	7.06	7.01	6.56	6.50	6.44	6.36
8.45	8.43	8.41	8.39	8.36	8.34	8.31	8.28	♃	♃	♃	♃	♃	☽	♃	8.24	8.21	8.17	8.13	8.09	8.04	7.59
9.52	9.51	9.50	9.48	9.46	9.45	9.43	9.41	♃	♃	♃	♃	♃	☽	♃	9.38	9.36	9.34	9.31	9.28	9.25	9.21
11.00	10.59	10.58	10.58	10.57	10.56	10.55	10.54	♃	♃	♃	♃	♃	☽	♃	10.52	10.51	10.50	10.49	10.47	10.46	10.44
12.07	12.07	12.07	12.07	12.07	12.07	12.07	12.07	♃	♃	♃	♃	♃	☽	♃	12.07	12.07	12.07	12.07	12.07	12.07	12.07
1.14	1.15	1.16	1.17	1.17	1.18	1.19	1.20	♃	♃	♃	♃	♃	☽	♃	1.21	1.22	1.23	1.24	1.26	1.27	1.29
2.22	2.23	2.24	2.26	2.29	2.29	2.31	2.33	♃	♃	♃	♃	♃	☽	♃	2.35	2.37	2.39	2.42	2.45	2.48	2.52
3.29	3.31	3.33	3.36	3.38	3.41	3.43	3.46	♃	♃	♃	♃	♃	☽	♃	3.49	3.52	3.56	4.00	4.04	4.09	4.14
4.36	4.39	4.42	4.45	4.48	4.52	4.55	4.59	♃	♃	♃	♃	♃	☽	♃	5.03	5.07	5.12	5.18	5.24	5.30	5.37
5.44	5.47	5.50	5.55	5.59	6.03	6.07	6.12	♃	♃	♃	♃	♃	☽	♃	6.17	6.22	6.29	6.35	6.43	6.50	6.59

JULY 8th to 15th, ANY YEAR, in South Latitude.

JANUARY 16th to 23rd, ANY YEAR, in North Latitude
 ☿ Saturn; ♃ Jupiter; ♂ Mars; ☉ Sun; ♀ Venus; ☿ Mercury; ☾ Moon.
Day Hours; Sunrise to Sunset. Mean Time.

Lat. 27°	Lat. 29°	Lat. 31°	Lat. 33°	Lat. 35°	Lat. 37°	Lat. 39°	Lat. 41°	Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa	Lat. 43°	Lat. 45°	Lat. 47°	Lat. 49°	Lat. 51°	Lat. 53°	Lat. 55°
6.51	6.55	6.59	7.04	7.08	7.12	7.17	7.23	☉	☾	♂	♃	♃	♂	♂	7.29	7.35	7.42	7.49	7.57	8.06	8.16
7.44	7.48	7.51	7.55	7.58	7.62	7.67	7.73	☉	☾	♂	♃	♃	♂	♂	8.16	8.21	8.27	8.33	8.39	8.47	8.55
8.37	8.40	8.43	8.46	8.49	8.51	8.55	8.59	☉	☾	♂	♃	♃	♂	♂	9.03	9.07	9.11	9.16	9.21	9.27	9.34
9.31	9.33	9.35	9.37	9.39	9.41	9.43	9.47	☉	☾	♂	♃	♃	♂	♂	9.50	9.53	9.56	10.00	10.04	10.08	10.13
10.24	10.25	10.26	10.28	10.29	10.30	10.32	10.34	☉	☾	♂	♃	♃	♂	♂	10.36	10.38	10.41	10.43	10.46	10.49	10.52
11.17	11.18	11.18	11.19	11.20	11.20	11.21	11.22	☉	☾	♂	♃	♃	♂	♂	11.23	11.24	11.25	11.27	11.28	11.29	11.31
12.10	12.10	12.10	12.10	12.10	12.10	12.10	12.10	☉	☾	♂	♃	♃	♂	♂	12.10	12.10	12.10	12.10	12.10	12.10	12.10
1.03	1.03	1.02	1.01	1.00	1.29	1.28	1.28	☉	☾	♂	♃	♃	♂	♂	12.57	12.56	12.55	12.54	12.52	12.51	12.49
1.56	1.55	1.54	1.52	1.51	1.49	1.47	1.46	☉	☾	♂	♃	♃	♂	♂	1.44	1.42	1.39	1.37	1.34	1.31	1.28
2.50	2.48	2.46	2.43	2.41	2.38	2.36	2.34	☉	☾	♂	♃	♃	♂	♂	2.31	2.28	2.24	2.21	2.17	2.12	2.07
3.43	3.40	3.37	3.34	3.31	3.28	3.25	3.21	☉	☾	♂	♃	♃	♂	♂	3.17	3.13	3.09	3.04	2.99	2.93	2.86
4.36	4.33	4.29	4.25	4.22	4.17	4.13	4.09	☉	☾	♂	♃	♃	♂	♂	4.04	3.99	3.93	3.88	3.81	3.73	3.65
Night Hours; Sunset to Sunrise.																					
5.29	5.25	5.21	5.16	5.12	5.07	5.02	4.57	☾	♂	♃	♃	♂	♂	♂	4.51	4.45	4.38	4.31	4.23	4.14	4.04
6.36	6.33	6.29	6.25	6.22	6.17	6.13	6.09	☾	♂	♃	♃	♂	♂	♂	6.04	5.59	5.53	5.47	5.41	5.33	5.25
7.43	7.40	7.37	7.34	7.31	7.28	7.25	7.21	☾	♂	♃	♃	♂	♂	♂	7.17	7.13	7.09	7.04	6.99	6.93	6.25
8.50	8.48	8.46	8.43	8.41	8.38	8.36	8.34	☾	♂	♃	♃	♂	♂	♂	8.30	8.27	8.24	8.20	8.16	8.12	8.07
9.56	9.56	9.54	9.52	9.51	9.49	9.47	9.46	☾	♂	♃	♃	♂	♂	♂	9.43	9.41	9.39	9.37	9.34	9.31	9.28
11.03	11.03	11.02	11.01	11.00	10.99	10.99	10.98	☾	♂	♃	♃	♂	♂	♂	10.56	10.55	10.54	10.53	10.52	10.50	10.49
12.10	12.10	12.10	12.10	12.10	12.10	12.10	12.10	☾	♂	♃	♃	♂	♂	♂	12.10	12.10	12.10	12.10	12.10	12.10	12.10
1.17	1.18	1.18	1.19	1.20	1.20	1.21	1.22	☾	♂	♃	♃	♂	♂	♂	1.23	1.24	1.25	1.26	1.27	1.29	1.30
2.24	2.25	2.26	2.28	2.29	2.30	2.32	2.34	☾	♂	♃	♃	♂	♂	♂	2.36	2.38	2.40	2.42	2.45	2.48	2.51
3.31	3.33	3.35	3.37	3.39	3.41	3.43	3.47	☾	♂	♃	♃	♂	♂	♂	3.49	3.52	3.55	3.59	4.03	4.07	4.12
4.37	4.40	4.43	4.46	4.49	4.51	4.55	4.49	☾	♂	♃	♃	♂	♂	♂	5.02	5.06	5.11	5.15	5.21	5.27	5.33
5.44	5.48	5.51	5.55	5.58	6.02	6.06	6.11	☾	♂	♃	♃	♂	♂	♂	6.15	6.20	6.26	6.32	6.38	6.46	6.54

JULY 16th to 23rd, ANY YEAR, in South Latitude.

MERCURY—ruler of Gemini and Virgo. Reigns over correspondence, educational and literary matters, neighbors, kin, merchants, business people, publishers, editors, reporters, distributors, advertisements, contracts, messengers. Mercury governs the solar plexus, lungs, arms, hands, tongue, nervous system, sense of sight. Its metal is quicksilver; its colors, blue and gray; its flower, lily of the valley; its day, Wednesday. Favorable: 1st, 4th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 13th, 19th, 24th, 25th, and 28th. Unfavorable: 13th, 18th, 28th, and 29th.

JANUARY 24th to 31st, ANY YEAR, in North Latitude
 ☿ Saturn; ♃ Jupiter; ♂ Mars; ☉ Sun; ♀ Venus; ☿ Mercury; ☾ Moon.
Day Hours; Sunrise to Sunset. Mean Time.

Lat. 27°	Lat. 29°	Lat. 31°	Lat. 33°	Lat. 35°	Lat. 37°	Lat. 39°	Lat. 41°	Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa	Lat. 43°	Lat. 45°	Lat. 47°	Lat. 49°	Lat. 51°	Lat. 53°	Lat. 55°
6.50	6.53	6.57	7.01	7.05	7.09	7.14	7.19	☉	☾	♂	♃	♃	♂	♂	7.24	7.29	7.35	7.42	7.49	7.57	8.06
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JULY 24th to 31st, ANY YEAR, in South Latitude.

VENUS—ruler of Taurus and Libra. Reigns over art, music, drama, social matters, courtship, marriage, restaurant managers, beauticians, cosmeticians, dressmakers, milliners, tailors, decorators, new clothing and ornaments, florists. Venus governs the throat, kidneys, lower part of the back, skin, sense of touch. Its metal is copper; its colors, bright blue and pastels; its flowers, violet and daffodil; its day, Friday. Favorable: 3rd, 8th, 9th, 11th, 15th, 20th, 24th, 27th, 28th, and 31st. Unfavorable: 13th and 15th.

MARS—ruler of Aries and co-ruler of Scorpio. Reigns over physical exertion, affairs demanding audacity and courage, structural iron or steel workers, carpenters, lumber men, machinists, pharmacists, barbers, police, soldiers, hardware merchants. Mars governs the external sex organs, bladder, muscular system, head, face, sense of taste. Its metals are iron and steel; its colors, dark red and magenta; its flower, narcissus; its day, Tuesday. Favorable: 5th, 6th, 8th, 9th, 10th, and 24th. Unfavorable: 5th, 17th, and 18th.

JUPITER—ruler of Sagittarius and co-ruler of Pisces. Reigns over judges, lawyers, bankers, brokers, physicians, clergymen, politicians, sports people, higher education, the start of new undertakings, buying, lending, favors. Jupiter governs the blood, arteries, liver, thighs, right ear, sense of smell. Its metal is tin; its colors, royal purple and mixtures of red and indigo; its flower, chrysanthemum; its day, Thursday. Favorable: 5th, 6th, 8th, 15th, 25th, and 31st. Unfavorable: 13th.

SATURN—ruler of Capricorn and co-ruler of Aquarius. Reigns over undertakings that require patience and endurance, plumbers, shoemakers, hide and leather merchants, masons, landscape gardeners, farmers, agriculturists, realtors, studies of a profound nature. Saturn governs the teeth, bones, spleen, knees, left ear, sense of hearing. Its metal is lead; its colors, dark brown and sage green; its flower, carnation; its day, Saturday. Favorable: 5th, 8th, 11th, 13th, 20th, 23rd, and 28th. Unfavorable: 5th.

URANUS—ruler of Aquarius—higher octave of Mercury (refer to Mercury hours). Reigns over occult sciences, metaphysics, inventions, reforms, new methods, aviation, electricity, telepathy, revolutionary ideas. Uranus governs the ankles and calves. Its metal is uranium; its colors, electric tones and mingled shades; its flower, violet. Favorable: 6th. Unfavorable: 13th, 14th, 17th, and 28th.

NEPTUNE—ruler of Pisces—higher octave of Venus (refer to Venus hours). Reigns over liquids, chemicals, oil, paint, perfume, narcotics, anesthetics, fishing, shipping, brewing, psychic phenomena. Neptune governs the feet. Its metal is platinum; its colors, intensified turquoise and lavender; its flower, water lily. Favorable: 2nd, 3rd, 19th, and 27th. Unfavorable: 15th, 17th, and 29th.

PLUTO—Ruler of Scorpio—higher octave of Mars (refer to Mars hours). Reigns over insurance, taxes, wills, the masses, the underworld, poisonous fumes, rejuvenation, regeneration, transformation, astral-projection. Pluto governs the reproductive organs and gall bladder. Its metal is plutonium; its color, black; its flower, anemone. Favorable: 1st, 4th, 8th, 9th, 12th, 15th, and 24th. Unfavorable: None.

Note regarding dates: You will find some days listed as both favorable and unfavorable. This is because mixed major aspects prevail then. Check the Self-Guidance Chart for periods when favorable ones are in effect and when unfavorable ones dominate.

Note regarding planetary hour tables: The day begins at sunrise with the planet ruling the day; for example, the Sun for Sunday, the Moon for Monday, Mars for Tuesday, etc. A planetary hour begins at the time stated and is in effect until the next one begins. Since planetary hours are based on latitude, you do not add one, two, or three hours according to zone time, but you do make an adjustment for daylight saving time.



HORARY ASTROLOGY



by **ALPHEE LAVOIE, C.A.**
NCGR LEVEL IV

Question: Which dorm mate should I choose?

Date: July 23, 2017

Time: 10:24:00 A.M. E.D.T.

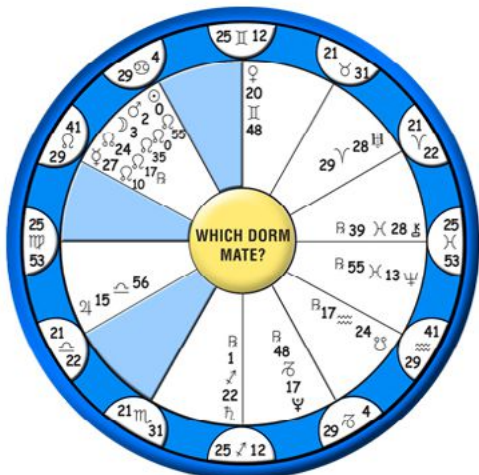
Place: West Hartford, CT

This question came from my client's daughter who is beginning her first year of college and will live on campus. She asked: "I have a dorm room at the college I will attend this fall. Two of my girlfriends are also attending the same college. They both want to room with me, but I can only take one as a roommate. Which one should I choose?"

I asked her which friend requested to room with her first. This a very important question because it establishes the houses that rule each friend.

The first friend is ruled by the eleventh house, and the second is ruled by the eleventh from the eleventh, the radical ninth. And, of course, the Querent's dorm room is ruled by the fourth house. Let us examine the ruler and co-ruler of each friend in relation to the ruler of the fourth house, which is ruled by Jupiter, as Sagittarius is on the cusp of that house. Jupiter is in the first house. In horary, whenever we see a signature like this, which clearly reflects the question, we have verification that the chart is radical, fit to be read. The dorm room is the Querent's main concern, and the ruler of the dorm is in the house that represents her.

The eleventh house, the first friend, shows Moon-ruled Cancer on the cusp, so we need to examine aspects of the Moon to Jupiter, the fourth-house ruler. Luna



does not make any applying aspect to Jupiter. (Remember: in horary, we only use applying aspects within a 10-degree orb.) Upon examination of the Moon in relation to Pluto, the co-ruler of the dorm room since Pluto is in the fourth house, we again see no aspects.

Interestingly, there are many planets in the eleventh house (the first friend). All of these planets become co-rulers of this friend. But none of those planets aspects the fourth-house ruler, Jupiter, or the co-ruler, Pluto, with the exception of the North Node of the Moon.

Now let's observe what is active in the house representing the second friend. Remember, this is the ninth house. The chart shows Taurus on the ninth-house cusp, so we need to turn to Venus, its ruler, for answers. Venus aspects Jupiter, but it is past its trine to that planet, so we cannot use it. Nor does Venus make any aspect to the co-ruler, Pluto.

So far we don't have an answer. Where do we go from here? We know that a horary chart always has an answer. The next thing to do then is to look at the Querent in relation to both girlfriends to see with which one she would get along best.

Here's what's going on between the Querent and the first friend. What pops out immediately is that the Querent's ruling planet, Mercury, is in the eleventh house, ruling the first friend. This tells us that the Querent probably prefers this girlfriend. Mercury in the eleventh house is that house's co-ruler via its presence there, but is also the Querent's ruler and trines Uranus. That aspect tells us that the Querent thinks it will be lots of fun to room with this friend. As Uranus rules the sixth house, she can do a lot more things with her. Jupiter in the first house sextiles the Moon's North Node in the eleventh house. And finally, the last aspect of the Moon before leaving its current sign will be a conjunction to Mercury in this friend's house. There's compati-

bility! These indications seem to point to the first friend.

Now let's look at the second friend, who is Venus-ruled. Venus is in its own house and in opposition to Saturn. This would indicate that this girlfriend is quiet, reserved, disciplined, and into herself. The fact that the opposition is to Saturn in the Querent's third house, however, indicates that communication might be limited or that the Querent might have a harder time communicating with her. Saturn rules the Querent's fifth house of fun and partying, so the Querent may feel that it will not be as much fun to hang out with this friend. But Venus also sextiles Uranus! This shows another side to the friend, one that could be playful, adventurous, and fun. Venus also sextiles the North Node of the Moon in the eleventh house, revealing that the Querent's friends know each other.

After describing the situation to my client, however, I advised her to have the first friend move in with her.



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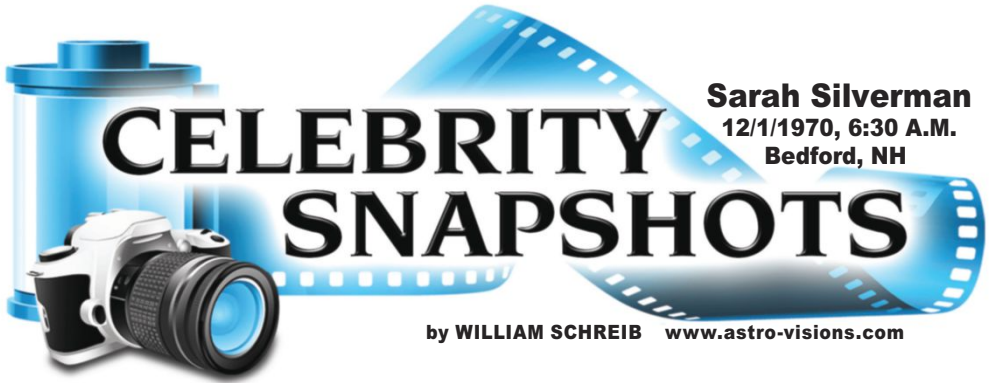
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CELEBRITY SNAPSHOTS

Sarah Silverman
12/1/1970, 6:30 A.M.
Bedford, NH

by **WILLIAM SCHREIB** www.astro-visions.com

Last month, we examined the Sagittarius Moon of Capricorn John Legend. Here, we reverse the luminaries again, this time looking at a celebrity with a Sagittarius Sun and a Capricorn Moon.

Sarah Silverman's first big break was in 1993, when she was hired as a writer/performer on *Saturday Night Live*. Few of her sketches, however, made it through final rehearsal, and she lasted just one season. Sarah then returned to stand-up comedy, where she slowly built her large following. Her comedy attracted the attention of Comedy Central, and she got her own weekly program. With its delightful mix of fantastical music videos and outrageous sketches, it became one of Comedy Central's most popular shows. That same year, a documentary on her stand-up performances became the film *Sarah Silverman: Jesus is Magic*.

It included her digressions on sex, race, religion, and politics. *Entertainment Weekly* called her "a bomb-tossing jester in the blasphemous-and-proud-of-it tradition of Lenny Bruce and Howard Stern." With a plug like that, Sarah was on her way to stardom!

Today, Sarah is a very busy lady, performing comedic and dramatic roles in motion pictures and television specials. Most of her work is still provocative, but it is also unexpectedly serious. All is reflected in the components and aspects in her natal chart.



In many of Sarah's earlier talk-show appearances, some of her comments drew sharp criticism, and the networks regularly had to censor her "slips of foul language." This "hoof-in-mouth" disease can be blamed on Sarah's Sun, Ascendant, and Neptune—all conjoined in Sagittarius! In addition, Sarah's Neptune conjoins her Jupiter in Scorpio, and this giant plan-



et sextiles Pluto (near her Midheaven). This accounts for the rawness of her comedy. Sarah's own words describe the effect of Jupiter and Pluto on her character: "I think you can make fun of anything, as long as it's funny enough."

Another one of Sarah's comments explains Neptune's conjunction to her Jupiter: "I have very vivid dreams—almost always action-adventure. I'm often on the run. I've always had dreams." With her Sagittarius Mercury sextiling Mars in Libra and squaring Pluto in Mercury-ruled Virgo, this prolific writer is driven "to turn those dreams into words."

The jubilant and expansive nature of the Centaur is seen in the two photos on the left on the previous page. The third photo from the left shows how the fire of Sarah's Sun is extinguished by the presence of her Neptune and Plutonic forces. (Note how the flesh rounds as her eyes turn into big pools of water.) Also, the far-right photo shows an absence of fire, as her non-expressive face relaxes to reveal the underlying skeletal structure associated with her Ascendant sign. There we see the high-domed skull, the offset eye sockets, the broad frontal horse teeth, and the extended and twisted jaw of the Centaur.



 **MOON IN CAPRICORN WITH ASPECTS TO SATURN AND URANUS** 

In the opening, the sextile of Silverman's Sun to Uranus was not mentioned, but it is discussed here—since this quixotic planet also squares her Capricorn Moon!

Uranus aspects to both of her luminaries feed Sarah a stream of outrageous and intuitive insights. With her earthy Moon's trine to Saturn (and her Venus and Jupiter opposed this ringed planet), Sarah's comedy often deals with real-world social issues (politics, racism, justice, etc.). With this Capricorn Moon, Sarah's humor often includes a stream of sarcastic remarks—all made even more hilarious by her deadpan reactions!

With Pluto sitting on the critical 29th degree of Virgo, Sarah was one of the few who could peek through heaven's gate—to see the beginning light of Uranus' run in Libra. Many 1970 babies were drawn into this "Libra revolution"—to balance the unfairness

within the justice system; however, few had their two luminaries linked to Uranus, and their "bomb throwing" comments lacked the humor to resonate with others!

Also, only a small number of these folks had the destined drive of this workhorse: Sarah has all of her planets (save for Saturn) on the left side of her chart. She was determined to succeed!

Only two comedians spoke at the 2016 Democratic National Convention! One was Senator Al Franken. The one who used her heckler-handling skills (to calm the crowd) was Sarah Silverman.



JANUARY 2018 EPHEMERIS

Jan. 2018, 0 ^h E.S.T.										Geocentric Longitude																	
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- Full Moon, Jan. 1, 9:25 P.M., 11° ♎ 38'
- New Moon, Jan. 16, 9:18 P.M., 26° ♈ 55'
- ☉ Sun enters Aquarius, Jan. 19, 10:10 P.M.
- Full Moon, Jan. 31, 8:27 A.M., 11° ♎ 37' (Lunar Eclipse)

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SELF-GUIDANCE CHART

JANUARY 2018

The time recorded here is Eastern Standard Time (E.S.T.). Subtract 1 hour for Central Standard Time (C.S.T.); 2 hours for Mountain Standard Time (M.S.T.); 3 hours for Pacific Standard Time (P.S.T.). The use of each planetary grouping is given with the aspect, which is in force until the time given in the chart. Thus, Moon sesquiquadrate Mars is in effect until 2:10 A.M. E.S.T. on January 1; after this, Moon opposition Saturn is in effect until 5:27 A.M. E.S.T. on January 1. An aspect between planets is in force for several days before the aspect culminates. Thus, Mercury semisextile Pluto has effect for several days before it culminates on January 1 at 3:47 P.M. E.S.T. and develops a frame of reference for intervening aspects. After Mercury semisextile Pluto, the next aspect between planets is Sun sextile Neptune on January 2 at 4:38 A.M. E.S.T., which forms a major frame of reference for intervening lunar aspects. When the frame of reference is favorable, it tends to mitigate retarding lunar forces; when it is not favorable, it tends to minimize lunar benefits.

LEGEND

LUMINARIES

- ☉ Sun
- ☾ Moon
- ☾ ☿ ☽ New Moon
- ☾ ☽ ☾ Full Moon
- ☾ ☽ ☽ Quarter Moon

PLANETS

- ☿ Mercury
- ♀ Venus
- ♂ Mars
- ♃ Jupiter
- ♄ Saturn
- ♅ Uranus
- ♆ Neptune
- ♇ Pluto

ASPECTS

- ♌ conjunction 0°, prominence
- ♍ semisextile 30°, growth
- ♎ semisquare 45°, friction
- ♏ sextile 60°, opportunity
- ♐ square 90°, obstacle
- ♑ trine 120°, luck
- ♒ sesquiquadrate 135°, agitation
- ♓ quincunx 150°, adjustment
- ♈ opposition 180°, separation
- || parallel, similar to ☿
- # contraparallel, similar to ☽
- D = direct in motion
- R = retrograde in motion

SIGNS

- ♈ Aries
- ♉ Taurus
- ♊ Gemini
- ♋ Cancer
- ♌ Leo
- ♍ Virgo
- ♎ Libra
- ♏ Scorpio
- ♐ Sagittarius
- ♑ Capricorn
- ♒ Aquarius
- ♓ Pisces

VOID-OF-COURSE MOON CHART

LAST ASPECT (EST)	MOON INGRESS (EST)	LAST ASPECT (EST)	MOON INGRESS (EST)
31 ☽ ♁ ♅ 6:39 PM	1 ☾ ☽ 3:11 AM	17 ☽ ☿ ♀ 1:31 AM	17 ♃ 3:33 AM
2 ☽ ☽ ♅ 5:47 PM	3 ♌ 2:23 AM	19 ☽ ☽ ♂ 6:53 AM	19 ♏ 3:28 PM
4 ☽ ♂ ♅ 6:10 PM	5 ♍ 3:13 AM	21 ☽ ♂ ♂ 8:14 PM	22 ♎ 1:28 AM
6 ☽ ☽ ♀ 9:51 PM	7 ♎ 7:15 AM	23 ☽ ☿ ♅ 11:17 PM	24 ♏ 8:41 AM
9 ☽ ♁ ♀ 11:13 AM	9 ♍ 3:06 PM	25 ☽ ♂ ♀ 10:17 PM	26 ♊ 12:40 PM
11 ☽ ♁ ♀ 9:54 AM	12 ♎ 2:05 AM	28 ☽ ♁ ♅ 5:40 AM	28 ☾ 1:58 PM
14 ☽ ♂ ♅ 3:49 AM	14 ♏ 2:43 PM	30 ☽ ☽ ♀ 11:41 AM	30 ♌ 1:53 PM

Note: The Moon is void of course from the time it forms its last major aspect (conjunction, sextile, trine, square, opposition) to a planet until the time it enters a new sign. During this time, confusion prevails, plans or projects fail to materialize, and delays can be expected.

HOW THE SUN, MOON, AND PLANETS INFLUENCE YOU DAILY

————— by RONNIE GRISHMAN —————

1/2018 Day/Date	Symbols & Aspects	E.S.T.	Guidance
Mon 1	☽ ☽♁♂	2:10 AM	You might be agitated mentally, which turns into unpleasant action.
	☽ enters ☾	3:11 AM	
	☽♁♂	5:27 AM	Dependencies can feel daunting, or maybe you want more of it.
	☽ ☽♁♂	6:21 AM	An overflow of feelings can show as sentimentality and TV eating.
	♀ ♃♁♂ 18°♂ - ♂	3:47 PM	You've got a deep insight into some matter and understand how things work, including others' motivations. Research a project.
	☽♁♀	6:29 PM	Feelings are on the table: home and work unions both want you.
	☽♁☉ 11°♁ - ♂	9:25 PM	<i>It's about inner and outer security; home vs. professional needs. It's also about what you need to feel safe and stable and also succeed.</i>
	☽ △ ♃	9:53 PM	Feelings are still the barometer, this time serene and understanding.
Tue 2	☽ △♂	2:42 AM	You're still fueled by emotions and act resourcefully to care-take.
	☉ ♃♁♂ 11°♁ - ♃	4:38 AM	You identify more with your soulful side and altruistic activities than with the material world. Compassionate sensitivity soothes.
	☽ △♂	6:08 AM	Family and home are all the "food" you need; maybe breakfast, too.
	♃ SD 24° ♃	9:12 AM	
	☽♁♁	8:44 AM	Feelings may polarize, whether within yourself or with others.
	☽ ♃♀	9:55 AM	Insecurities make explanations difficult. Careless words can hurt.
	☽ ☽♁♃	5:47 PM	Unstable reactions or a sudden break are likely at this point.
	☽ ☽♁♃	9:33 PM	It's easy to get caught in the smoky web of TV, sleep, dreaming.
Wed 3	☽ enters ♁	2:23 AM	
	☽ ♃♂	5:03 AM	It's hard to feel generous or happy if there isn't enough of something.
	☽ ☽♁♀	11:32 AM	An opulence of enthusiasm can turn into a loud "listen to me!"
	♀ ♃♁♂ 11°♁ - ♃	12:39 PM	An artistic imagination and emotional sympathies are soulful and soothing. Being caringly helpful may help a lot of people.
	☽ ♃♃	9:35 PM	Distractions are alluring, or reactions are theatrical and dramatic.
	☽ ♃♀	10:23 PM	You're caught between wanting something sweet and discipline.
Thu 4	☽ ♃☉	12:32 AM	Discontent may now run into interactions, so nothing satisfies.

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Thu 4	☽ □ ♂	4:34 AM	Unyielding passions take over and start to push for what they want.
	☽ # ♃	4:37 AM	Things can easily go overboard into extravagance and vanity.
	☽ □ ♎	5:24 AM	The reins are pulled in on indulgent activities, but you're not happy.
	♃ ♀ 21° S	5:33 AM	You ponder things deeply and want to get at the very heart of the information before making a decision or passing a judgment.
	☽ # ♂	5:51 AM	Make sure that it isn't your ego that's calling the assertive shots.
	☽ □ ♃	6:34 AM	You're driven by your desires, unyieldingly so. Excess wins.
	☽ π ♀	8:50 AM	Emotional patterns come from old habits, but they run deep.
	☽ △ ♃	1:52 PM	Speak or create from the heart and you transmit joy and enthusiasm.
	☽ △ ♃	6:10 PM	Do something on the fly and you'll feel free and revitalized.
Fri 5	☽ □ ♀	1:21 AM	You may be looking for attention and compliments but not get them.
	☽ □ ☉	3:05 AM	You're feeling more discontented, but harsher moods dominate.
	☽ enters ♃	3:13 AM	
	♂ ∠ ♎ 16°♌, -1°♉	4:20 AM	You'll feel frustrated and constrained if you use your own initiative and resources for something but are blocked and obstructed.
	☽ △ ♎	6:25 AM	Stability rules the morning and sets up a productive day's agenda.
	☽ □ ♀	9:49 AM	It's easy to turn critical if things at work have been building up.
	♂ ♃ 16° S	10:06 AM	Enthusiasm and optimism might be running high if there's a project or pass-along feeling about a situation. Still, moderation is key.
	☉ ♎ 22° S	6:02 PM	You may have to forego pleasures to work hard or take charge. That's good, because you've got ambition running in your blood.
	☽ □ ♃	7:25 PM	Interactions are awkward, erratic, unstable, erratic to roll with.
☽ ♂ ♀	11:37 PM	Moods get more dramatic but also more diffuse as confusion rules.	
Sat 6	☽ ♃	12:57 AM	You're restless or impatient with those who are slower than you.
	☽ △ ♀	5:23 AM	Relationships are either bonds of affection or business supporters.
	☽ △ ☉	6:40 AM	All you need for yourself from others comes in very tangible form.
	☽ # ♀	7:02 AM	Focus dilutes, or maybe you just want five more minutes in bed.
	☽ ✕ ♂	9:23 AM	You have the skills, drive, and resources to accomplish that task.
	☽ ✕ ♃	9:44 AM	Even reserved you are full of gratitude and optimism at this time.

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Sat 6	☽ △ ♀	11:41 AM	You're empowered to be efficient and aim well for self-improvement.
	☿ △ ♃ 24° ♁ -Υ	6:39 PM	A brilliant idea fuels a quick travel plan. If you're shopping, an impulse purchase is irresistible—is it tech? Say yes to optimism!
	♂ ♂ ♃ 17° ♄	7:40 PM	You've got the drive to use your resources or find them through other means to expand a venture or fuel your personal initiative.
	☽ π ♃	9:34 PM	Reactions are bumpy and uncouth as people are restlessly moody.
	☽ □ ♀	9:51 PM	Words can be harsh and conversations, comments turn very critical.
SUN 7	☽ enters ♌	7:15 AM	
	♀ ☉ 22° ♌	10:49 AM	You have big plans born from a prophetic vision, but make sure the practical elements also line up. Making holiday travel plans?
	☽ □ ♃	11:09 AM	Bad feelings may still exist in a primary business or personal tie.
	☽ ∠ ♃	12:44 PM	Whatever it is you're sharing, it's likely to be in an excessive way.
	☽ ∠ ♂	1:21 PM	It's possible earlier extravagance can lead to a sense of discord.
Mon 8	☽ π ♄	5:17 AM	Focus diffuses and people go into their private fantasy chambers.
	☉ ✕ ♃ 18° ♁ -♄	7:08 AM	You're confident, capable, optimistic, and have a positive attitude. This attracts good fortune and influential people to help you.
	♀ ✕ ♃ 18° ♁ -♄	11:14 AM	A business connection is influential, a personal one generous. People like you. Your material world is good. Enjoy the good life.
	☿ ♃ 22° ♌	2:15 PM	You'll need to have your facts straight to make a decision or presentation. A mature, conservative perspective likely reigns.
	♂ ✕ ♀ 19° ♄ -♁	2:52 PM	You have will power and a forceful nature. You can stimulate action to get to the bottom of a complex issue. Look for a victory.
	☽ ∨ ♃	4:43 PM	You have a gracious and grateful mood, which others warm to.
	☽ □ ♀	5:15 PM	Alliances are valued for their influence; or food replaces affection.
	☽ □ ☉	5:26 PM	<i>Getting along with others may take discipline, not affection.</i>
	☽ □ ♀	6:17 PM	Anxiety and suspicion reign under and over emotional reactions.
	☽ ∨ ♂	6:27 PM	Here's a chance to fix what went wrong with a task or a person.
Tue 9	♀ ♂ ☉ 18° ♁	2:02 AM	You're cheerful, positive, charming, and receptive—and popular—whether it's a social or business occasion. Influence is yours.
	♀ ♂ ♀ 19° ♁	4:00 AM	Passion, emotional intensity imbue affections. Deeply felt responses intensify attractions if you're positive, not possessive.
	☉ ♂ ♀ 19° ♁	4:29 AM	Extreme feelings charge egos in relationships: power struggles, intense competition, or solid unity in purpose. Be an improver.
	☽ ♂ ♃	4:45 AM	People are unreliable and unlikely to keep to agreed-to schedules.
	☽ □ ♄	9:33 AM	Concentration is dimmed by imaginative distractions calling.

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Tue 9	♃ ✱ ♀	11:13 AM	Advisors are gracious, fair, and seek to find harmony for both sides.
	♃ enters ♎,	3:06 PM	
	♀ ✱ ♂ 19° ʼ ʼ ♎ -♎,	4:08 PM	People are warm and affectionate with strong romantic and social inclinations. Business or even casual alliances strike a good spark.
	♃ ✱ ♁	7:47 PM	A serious yet disciplined nature can organize and get a lot done.
	♀ ♀ 22° S	9:08 PM	There might be a way to sweet-talk your way into the good graces of someone met at a business or social get-together. Try it.
	♃ ♃	9:48 PM	Emotions may swell in psychic or intuitive ways, offering info.
Wed 10	♃ ✱ ♂ 19° ʼ ʼ ♎ -♎,	12:37 AM	You've got energy, drive, and self-contained confidence charging your actions to take charge or be a courageous, respected leader.
	♃ # ♁	4:57 AM	The morning doesn't start on an ambient note. Look for instability.
	♃ △ ♃	2:40 PM	You have a deep reservoir of psychic energy and understanding.
	♃ ∠ ♀	7:48 PM	If you're feeling negative, it's easy to say something careless.
Thu 11	♀ enters ♎	12:10 AM	
	♃ ∠ ♁	1:22 AM	There are worries or other concerns that keep you silent to yourself.
	♃ ♂ ♃	3:22 AM	You've got deep resources, whether they are emotional or fiscal.
	♃ ✱ ♀	4:26 AM	You can take charge and also know influential others who can help.
	♀ ♁ 22° S	5:42 AM	Relationships might be serious or based on a commitment or a business obligation; or you might get the stability you need from it.
	♃ ♂ ♂	7:35 AM	Emotional energy needs an outlet, a purposeful desire, to aim for.
	♃ ✱ ☉	8:41 AM	You are diligent and able, enjoy working solo, and get things done.
	♃ ✱ ♀	9:54 AM	A receptive spirit draws you in, whether sexually or professionally.
	♃ π ♁	3:18 PM	Emotions you'd like to control get out of hand erratically.
Fri 12	♃ enters ♏	2:05 AM	
	☉ ♀ 21° S	2:16 AM	You're empowered to pursue a goal or purpose. Do it with integrity and it benefits everyone as well as your own evolutionary growth.
	♃ ∨ ♀	5:21 AM	What you think about casually may have a larger meaning.
	♃ ∨ ♁	7:32 AM	Even if you're restless, you have the stamina to be a stable force.
	♃ ∠ ♀	10:27 AM	If someone's annoyed, it could be foot-in-mouth syndrome.
	♃ ♃	1:10 PM	An attitude of gratitude gets you far, as does one of generosity.

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Fri 12	☽ ∠ ☉	5:30 PM	It might not be that easy to attain the goals or purpose you seek.
	☽ ∠ ♀	7:27 PM	Compromises are necessary, or taking influential allies for granted.
	☽ ☐ ☿	9:25 PM	Change may happen rapidly if people are restless and impatient.
Sat 13	☽ ♂	12:15 AM	You've got energy to burn, so light up your resources and act.
	☿ ♂ ♃ 2° ♀	2:04 AM	Thinking is deep. Inhibitions slow down answers; but organize your ideas and facts and show your methodical problem-solving abilities.
	☽ ☐ ♀	2:39 AM	Having an ideal is good, but it won't manifest in real life now.
	♀ ☐ ☿ 24° ♀ -☾	2:09 PM	This is the free-spirit aspect. No permanent ties; a need to connect then fly solo; hard to pin down to a commitment. Expect instability.
	☽ ∨ ♃	4:20 PM	Feeling grateful for your resources can bring a good afternoon mood.
	☽ ∨ ♀	4:50 PM	You could bring a sense of ease and curiosity to a stodgy moment.
	☿ ∠ ♃ 4° ♀ -19° ♃	10:56 PM	If you've got a business agenda to create, try not to obsess or excess in presentation or research. Don't exaggerate the facts. Be real.
☽ ∨ ♂	11:13 PM	You're likely to want to do something adventurous and interesting.	
SUN 14	☽ ∨ ☉	2:42 AM	You seek harmony but see the need for pace in pursuing an aim.
	☽ ∆ ☿	3:49 AM	Things that happen spontaneously can turn out to be vitalizing!
	☽ ∨ ♀	5:26 AM	It never hurts to use a little charm, even in a formal situation.
	☽ enters ♀	2:43 PM	
	☉ ☐ ☿ 24° ♀ -☾	3:45 PM	You're impulsive, nervous, and unpredictable, going your own way without concern for others or schedules. You're a rules-breaker.
	☽ ♂ ♃	8:50 PM	Focus on an ambition, but not so that you walk on any feelings.
☽ ∠ ♃	11:09 PM	Color within the lines even though you're tempted to exaggerate.	
Mon 15	☽ ♂ ♀	2:03 AM	You understand success and ambition and communicate it well.
	☽ ∠ ♂	7:22 AM	Those who are competitive might have their own path to success.
	☽ ✕ ♀	3:39 PM	A sense of understanding or peace can bring about harmony now.
	♀ ∠ ♀ 27° ♀ -12° ☾	4:48 PM	Caring for those who are unfortunate or needy captures your heart, but be sure everyone to whom you give is worthy. Don't idealize.
	♀ ♀ 21° S	8:54 PM	A magnetic attraction might be what you fall for, but remember the previous aspect. What's underneath these feelings—are they true?
	♃ ✕ ♀ 19° ♃ -♃	11:14 PM	Exuberance, enthusiasm, optimism, focus, and ambition help you explore potentials for long-term success. You're empowered now!
Tue 16	☽ ♂ ♀	5:54 AM	Take your ambition(s) and dig deep to find the right resources.

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Tue 16	☽ ✕ ♃	5:59 AM	You feel capable and rich in influential and fiscally deep pockets.
	☽ ✕ ♂	3:28 PM	You've got the wherewithal and self-control to chart a course.
	☽ □ ♏	4:45 PM	Instability and unpredictable reactions turn the tide on a project.
	☽ ♂ 26° ♉	9:18 PM	<i>The year's first lunation sets you off after ambitions. If you had a plan, plant seeds that will get you there. You are public-focused.</i>
	☽ ∠ ♀	10:07 PM	Focus is lost quickly, but it's only temporary. Go with the flow now.
Wed 17	☽ ♂ ♀	1:31 AM	Bonds are stable and traditional, perhaps influential as well.
	☽ enters ♃	3:33 AM	
	☽ ∠ ♀ 27° ♉ -12° ♏	7:06 AM	Finding a strong sense of self, identity in the world, or ambition is hard. Can you postpone a meeting? Take time to collect yourself.
	☽ ∨ ♏	10:12 AM	This is the time to rely on an ally in business or a social network.
	☽ ♂	1:11 PM	You might take action to defend a friend, or—go shopping together.
	♂ ⋈ ♏ 24° ♏-♏	4:37 PM	You want freedom without hesitation or restraint, but taking risks for it could lead to accidents. Self-control is essential to maintain.
	♀ enters ♃	8:44 PM	
☽ ∨ ♀	11:00 PM	A good idea by a friend could lead to concord and agreement.	
Thu 18	♀ ∠ ♂ 9° ♉ -24° ♏	3:56 AM	Resentment, suspicion, or envy causes assertive actions that set off competitive, dangerous drives. Can you take the high road instead?
	☽ ∨ ♀	4:23 AM	This might be a good time to meditate, either alone or in a group.
	☽ ♃	7:07 AM	You have faith in a pal and start the day with a positive attitude.
	☽ ∠ ♏	4:33 PM	It might seem as if, suddenly, a chilly tone took over emotions.
	☽ ∨ ♀	6:26 PM	Getting a little deeper at dinner or with a friend makes a difference.
	☽ □ ♃	7:02 PM	Needs conflict between private and social. Try to moderate each.
Fri 19	☽ ✕ ♏	4:58 AM	Here's a time to jump right in and enjoy the fun. Be spontaneous.
	☽ □ ♂	6:53 AM	Differences heat up internally and can externalize as an angry fit.
	☽ ∠ ♀	8:59 AM	Explanations do not go well now. Reactions are cool and reserved.
	☽ ∨ ☽	2:51 PM	You can put differences aside and find your way back to an ally.
	☽ enters ♏	3:28 PM	
	♀ ✕ ♀ 12° ♉-♏	8:08 PM	You are intuitive, imaginative, contemplative, creative in art, writing, photography, dance. You are compassionate, understanding.

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Fri 19	☽ ♀	8:22 PM	There's a mutual comfort level between you and another person.
	☉ enters ♋	10:10 PM	
	☽ ✕ ♋	10:30 PM	When you combine sensitivity and stability, it turns into security.
Sat 20	☽ ∠ ♀	12:10 AM	Long-buried feelings may motivate difficult reactions now.
	☽ ∠ ♁	10:30 AM	Erratic, unreliable emotional responses can change things quickly.
	☽ ♂ ♀	3:46 PM	Meditation or inner work is lovely now, but clarity is harder.
	☽ # ♁	4:24 PM	Something disrupts activities suddenly and can cause a change.
	☽ ✕ ♀	6:22 PM	There's an understanding ear if you need to share your feelings.
	♀ ♀ ♋ 3° ♋ -♁	6:45 PM	A reliable, stable relationship makes you feel comfortable with this friend or partner. You can trust it if you make a commitment now.
	☽ ∠ ☉	10:47 PM	Emotional reactions may be very dramatic or inaccessible now.
SUN 21	☽ ♀	12:33 AM	It's a good time to settle down with TV, a book, a prayer, a pillow.
	☽ ∠ ♀	4:52 AM	It might be hard to get back from someone just what you want.
	☽ ✕ ♀	5:23 AM	Make repairs now, maybe that means getting closer emotionally.
	☽ △ ♁	6:26 AM	You feel so grateful for all the family love and feeling of riches.
	☽ ♀ ♁	3:28 PM	Follow your first impulse and maybe it'll be a little fun.
	☽ △ ♂	8:14 PM	Fueled by feelings of understanding, you take action for others.
Mon 22	☽ enters ♎	1:28 AM	
	☽ ✕ ☉	5:56 AM	You feel enthused about a group project and head out happily.
	☽ □ ♋	8:43 AM	You may feel that your initiative is squashed and don't like it.
	☽ □ ♁	11:12 AM	It's easy to lose self-control and release unpleasant emotions.
	☽ ✕ ♀	12:29 PM	Assertive charm can work wonders if you're with a group or pal.
Tue 23	☽ ♀ ♀	12:51 AM	Search inside and you'll find the inspiration or serenity you need.
	☽ □ ♂	1:46 AM	If you're acting in haste or out of resentment, responses are angry.
	☽ □ ♀	10:30 AM	There is discord in a conversation. Assertiveness vs. authority.
	☽ □ ♀	1:48 PM	Inner feelings may be boiling, thus affecting outer interactions.

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Tue 23	☾ π ♃	3:12 PM	Sloppy reactions or off-handed gestures may not sit well now.
	☉ √ ♃ 4° ≈ ~-♁	8:32 PM	A career project may involve a friend or other ally, perhaps from a communal-cause group. Otherwise, make a friend of a colleague.
	☾ ♂ ♃	11:17 PM	Things happen spontaneously, or disruptively; maybe it's a surprise.
Wed 24	☾ ∟ ♀	4:15 AM	This confusing time isn't the right one to try to remember facts.
	☉ ♂ 19° S	5:09 AM	There's a lot of energy to take charge and lead, so show off your confidence and enthusiasm, but watch out for competitors, too.
	☾ π ♂	6:24 AM	You have no control of your emotions even though you'd like to.
	☽ enters ♃	8:41 AM	
	☾ # ♀	2:17 PM	Practical matters are under a cloud, so postpone those activities.
	☿ ♂ ♀ 19° ♁	3:48 PM	Mindsets are penetrating, extremist. You see hidden meanings, motivations. Secrets rule. You're unyielding, suspicious, focused.
	☾ △ ♃	3:57 PM	The tangible benefits of hard work make you feel like a stable provider.
	☾ □ ☉	5:21 PM	<i>There might be a conflict of values, or "don't lend money to friends."</i>
	♀ ♂ 19° S	7:15 PM	A social gathering may have sparks that send off romantic or attracting vibes. Friends get together in a convivial atmosphere.
	☾ ♃	10:10 PM	If you're used to the status quo, hold on and be adaptable now.
Thu 25	☾ □ ♀	12:37 AM	You and a friend may disagree (money?). Is food a substitute?
	☿ ✕ ♃ 20° ♁ ~♃	6:29 AM	A positive attitude brings success! Promote your ambitions. Send out resumes. Make a presentation. You love knowledge, study, travel.
	☾ ✕ ♀	6:50 AM	You appreciate the sensual world but see fairies in the soulful one.
	☾ □ ♃	6:19 PM	There might be too much structure or a feeling of not enough.
	☾ △ ♀	7:02 PM	Use this frame's power to achieve an ambition or tangible benefits.
	☾ ♂ ♃	8:41 PM	You want something passionately, and may indulge in it to excess.
	☾ △ ☿	10:17 PM	You're a grounded thinker and talks show success, accord, and understanding.
Fri 26	☾ √ ♃	3:54 AM	Take a little step out of routine and you may find it refreshing.
	♂ enters ♃	7:57 AM	
	☽ enters ♃	12:40 PM	
	☾ ♂ ♂	12:53 PM	Energy to talk, travel, or express needs stimulating outlets or turns into angry debates.
	☾ π ♃	7:55 PM	A cynical attitude or downcast demeanor brings heavy sighs.

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Fri 26	☽ ☽ ♀	8:29 PM	Old emotional patterns influence how you think/feel now.
Sat 27	☽ △ ☉	12:46 AM	Communication is stimulating and affirming, everyone joyful and smart.
	☽ # ♃	2:21 AM	Things get overdone. In this case, it could be extended, loud talk.
	☽ ☽ ☿	2:36 AM	If someone has a lot to say but is restricted, reactions are terse.
	☽ ∟ ♁	5:05 AM	Someone's attitude has an edge or is impatient and restless.
	☽ △ ♀	8:32 AM	You thrive on social connections and charming, interesting people.
	☽ □ ♀	9:42 AM	Don't try to sort through confusing feelings. Watch for flaws.
	☽ # ☉	4:20 PM	You feel more inner discord than when you were feeling satisfied.
	☽ # ♀	4:36 PM	Relations turn a little more awkward or need harmonious touches.
	☽ π ♀	9:16 PM	Things may weigh heavily on your mind, or cause you anxiety.
	♀ ♃ ♀ 12° ≈ ≈ -X	10:22 PM	There's a sense of goodness and understanding within communal groups. You see the good in each other and want to help out.
	☽ π ♃	11:07 PM	It might be hard to find mental balance, from scattered to focused.
SUN 28	♀ ☉ 18° S	1:05 AM	If you've got the charms, others are there to receive them with good spirit and welcome camaraderie. Popularity in a group feels good.
	☿ □ ♁ 24° ≈ ≈ -V	2:08 AM	Perceptions and intuitions are quickened, but speech may be erratic, sarcastic, disruptive. Expect sudden changes of schedule and mind.
	☽ ☽ ☉	3:13 AM	Stimulating connections may still be going, but at too much a pitch.
	☽ ✕ ♁	5:40 AM	Unusual or unexpected moves bring surprisingly enjoyable reactions.
	☽ π ☿	6:04 AM	Explanations suffer from anxiety or compromises you can't make.
	☽ ☽ ♀	11:16 AM	The social buzz is still buzzing, but you may be tiring of it.
	☿ ♃ 22° S	12:23 PM	This is the time to organize, ponder serious issues or decisions, create a strategic agenda, or make a to-do list to avoid depression.
	☽ enters ☽	1:58 PM	
	☽ # ♂	4:11 PM	Emotional insecurities can lead to angry or defensive behavior.
	☽ π ♂	4:17 PM	You may feel hesitant or insecure about broad-ranging activities.
	☽ ♂ ♃	9:15 PM	Feelings re: work and home conflict; or someone is a taskmaster.
☽ ☽ ♃	11:31 PM	You may pour emotional indulgence on the family, or simply relax.	
Mon 29	☽ π ☉	5:07 AM	You're not comfortable with strangers and may put up boundaries.

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Mon 29	☽ △ ♀	10:19 AM	You're cocooned in your imagination or another warm emotion.
	☽ π ♀	1:31 PM	You might have to adjust to an uncomfortable situation.
	☽ # ♂	4:21 PM	Insecurity and defensiveness can easily trigger an angry reaction.
	☽ □ ♂	5:19 PM	Feelings are still unsettled and some need to express their irritation.
	☽ ♂ ♀	9:34 PM	Feelings are polarized, making compromise or new growth hard.
	♃∠♂ 27°♁-12°♃	10:03 PM	This isn't a time to expect the truth or the facts; more like theatrical presentations of "the truth" that lean more toward imagination.
	☽ △ ♃	11:39 PM	You feel grateful for all you have, including your family and home.
Tue 30	☽ □ ♃	5:46 AM	Don't expect dependability from others. Moods are breakaway erratic.
	☽ □ ♀	10:17 AM	This is not the time to do focused activities as your mind wanders.
	☽ ♂ ♃	11:41 AM	A conversation might be too emotional for reason to take over.
	☽ enters ♁	1:53 PM	
	☽ △ ♂	6:13 PM	You've got courage, confidence, drive, and passion—go get it!
	☽ π ♃	9:27 PM	There are limitations or unwanted adjustments to have to accept.
Wed 31	☽ # ☉	5:37 AM	You're not personally content with the situation. Watch egos.
	☽ # ♀	8:13 AM	You want your way, or attention, but it could lead to discord.
	☽ ♂ ☉ 11° ♁ - ♃	8:27 AM	<i>The lunation is about personal vs. universal love and activities; the need for close connections as well as a sense of social freedom.</i>
	☽ # ♃	8:38 AM	Whatever it is you want, you're likely to be indulging in it.
	♃ enters ♃	8:40 AM	
	☽ π ♀	10:18 AM	Attention is squandered or people are too passive to get involved.
	♀ ♃ 16° S	11:14 AM	Enjoy the riches, in whatever form they arrive, within a relationship. Share with friends good attitudes and warm goodwill.
	☽ ♂ ♀	5:48 PM	Someone may make a loud, glamorous bid for the group's spotlight.
	☽ π ♀	9:39 PM	There are some stuck in the past, and that includes behaviors.
	☽ □ ♃	9:42 PM	Don't let someone's punitive air spoil a good time, or your joy.



Some Pisceans walk with a shuffle, while others walk with their shoulders stooped.

YOUR LUCKY ZODIACAL NUMBERS

Here are your lucky numbers for each day of the month. The numbers can be used as they are or rearranged and used equally well. For example, take the lucky number for Capricorn on January 2, which is 379. This number can be used as 793 or 937 so long as the total value remains 3 ($3 + 7 + 9 = 19$; $1 + 9 = 10$; $1 + 0 = 1$). However, the number is numerically and astrologically correct as it is given. The same explanation applies to all of the signs. The three digits listed under Capricorn as the "sign number" give the basic vibrations for the sign itself. These digits total up to 3 ($6 + 5 + 1 = 12$; $1 + 2 = 3$), which is the first digit listed of the three numbers for the day. The second digit is derived by noting the house of the solar chart in which the Moon is transiting during that day. For Capricorn, the Moon in Cancer is transiting their seventh house on the 2nd; this has a value of 7 and is the second digit listed. The last digit is obtained by noting the planetary day ruler and the number vibration for that ruler. January 2 is a Tuesday, ruled by Mars, which has a vibration of 9. The combination of these numerical vibrations gives 379 as the lucky number for Capricorn on January 2. The same method for selection of daily numbers is used for the other eleven signs. One or two numbers can be derived from the lucky number for any particular day. For instance, the lucky number for Capricorn on January 27 is 368. The single digits added together total 17, which can be used if two numbers are desired, or 17 can be reduced to 8 if one number is desired. Note: On days when the Moon is changing signs—indicated by *—check the "Self-Guidance Chart" for the time it enters another sign and make the necessary adjustment in the second digit. The sign changes are set for E.S.T. In other time zones, the change may occur on the day previous to the one indicated here. In this case, two adjustments must be made—one for the house position of the Moon (second digit) and the other for the number vibration of the day ruler (third digit). Good luck.

SIGN	→	♈	♉	♊	♋	♌	♍	♎	♏	♐	♑	♒	♓	
SIGN NUMBER	→	276	282	118	296	105	289	243	510	369	651	304	235	
DATE AND DAY RULER														
1st*	M	Moon	637	327	117	827	617	107	997	687	977	367	757	147
2nd	T	Mars	649	339	129	819	629	119	909	699	989	379	769	159
3rd*	W	Mercury	645	335	125	815	625	115	905	695	985	375	765	155
4th	Th	Jupiter	653	343	133	823	613	123	913	603	993	383	773	163
5th*	F	Venus	656	346	136	826	616	126	916	606	996	386	776	166
6th	S	Saturn	668	358	148	838	628	118	928	618	908	398	788	178
7th*	Su	Sun	661	351	141	831	621	111	921	611	901	391	781	171
8th	M	Moon	677	367	157	847	637	127	917	627	917	307	797	187
9th*	T	Mars	679	369	159	849	639	129	919	629	919	309	799	189
10th	W	Mercury	685	375	165	855	645	135	925	615	925	315	705	195
11th	Th	Jupiter	683	373	163	853	643	133	923	613	923	313	703	193
12th*	F	Venus	686	376	166	856	646	136	926	616	926	316	706	196
13th	S	Saturn	698	388	178	868	658	148	938	628	918	328	718	108
14th*	Su	Sun	691	381	171	861	651	141	931	621	911	321	711	101
15th	M	Moon	607	397	187	877	667	157	947	637	927	317	727	117
16th	T	Mars	609	399	189	879	669	159	949	639	929	319	729	119
17th*	W	Mercury	605	395	185	875	665	155	945	635	925	315	725	115
18th	Th	Jupiter	613	303	193	883	673	163	953	643	933	323	713	123
19th*	F	Venus	616	306	196	886	676	166	956	646	936	326	716	126
20th	S	Saturn	628	318	108	898	688	178	968	658	948	338	728	118
21st	Su	Sun	621	311	101	891	681	171	961	651	941	331	721	111
22nd*	M	Moon	627	317	107	897	687	177	967	657	947	337	727	117
23rd	T	Mars	619	329	119	809	699	189	979	669	959	349	739	129
24th*	W	Mercury	615	325	115	805	695	185	975	665	955	345	735	125
25th	Th	Jupiter	623	313	123	813	603	193	983	673	963	353	743	133
26th*	F	Venus	626	316	126	816	606	196	986	676	966	356	746	136
27th	S	Saturn	638	328	118	828	618	108	998	688	978	368	758	148
28th*	Su	Sun	631	321	111	821	611	101	991	681	971	361	751	141
29th	M	Moon	647	337	127	817	627	117	907	697	987	377	767	157
30th*	T	Mars	649	339	129	819	629	119	909	699	989	379	769	159
31st	W	Mercury	655	345	135	825	615	125	915	605	995	385	775	165

Legend for the symbols: ♈ Aries, ♉ Taurus, ♊ Gemini, ♋ Cancer, ♌ Leo, ♍ Virgo, ♎ Libra, ♏ Scorpio, ♐ Sagittarius, ♑ Capricorn, ♒ Aquarius, ♓ Pisces

UPCOMING IN OUR FEBRUARY 2018 ISSUE!

HOROSCOPE GOES TO THE OSCARS

It might be the most self-congratulatory event of the year, but something about the glitz and glamour of the Academy Awards attracts millions of viewers every year. While some of us tune in to see who's wearing what, others like to try to predict the winners of each category. But even the biggest movie buff couldn't see last year's Best Picture debacle coming...or could they? Astrologer Ra Rishikavi Raghudas uses the planets to forecast the evening's speechmakers—and finds perennial success. In this article, he looks back at the zodiac charts of past nominees and winners as well as the chart of the Oscar ceremony itself, using the time and location of the first show. Film buffs and pop culture junkies, this one's for you!

A TALE OF TWO TENORS

The debate over nature vs. nurture is an ever-fascinating one, with researchers often studying adopted children and twins who were separated at birth to gain more understanding of the impact of each on who we become. For astrologer MichelAngelo, there is an even more interesting question to ponder. What happens when two unrelated people are born at the same time? Often, there are uncanny similarities in their life trajectories, and MichelAngelo takes a look at the lives of two opera singers born on the same day to illustrate this phenomenon. He notes remarkable coincidences but also drastic differences in their career paths, due to the slight variances in their birth-charts stemming from birth times and locations. The ways in which these two lives converge and diverge are truly intriguing, so make sure you pick up next month's issue.

Plus: “Celebrity Snapshots” profile of Alicia Keys and Carole King, Astrology At Work, Lucky Numbers, Stock-Market Outlook, Looking Ahead, Monthly and Daily Guidance for All Signs, February's Planets and You, Book & Product Reviews, Your Aspect-by-Aspect Self-Guidance Chart, February Ephemeris, Hour Guide, Soul-Centered Astrology, Your Individual Planet Forecase, Aquarius' Year Ahead, and much, much more!

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