

GREETINGS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR 2011:

As 2010 passes away, I hope you have released the pain, limitation and disappointment of 2010 and are looking forward to an amazing 2011 full of abundance, amazing opportunities and the joy of starting a new cycle. January begins with the final conjunction of Jupiter and Uranus in Pisces at a New Moon/Solar Eclipse on January 4. This is a great omen for the year and the month. Get yourself ready to grow.

LANDSCAPING; It may seem to you there is nothing to do in this area, but in Houston, we have almost no winter, so planting, pruning and preparing for Spring begin now. If you are planning to sell any property in 2011, I would suggest you do some exterior decorating in the landscape. In December, the Houston Chronicle had a great article on the benefit of "curb appeal", which I specialize in. Thankfully, all the homes I have improved the "curb appeal" on, sold immediately. Let me know if I can help you with any projects you have.

ASTROLOGY LECTURE; I will be doing a short lecture at the After Hours Network on Tuesday evening January 11 at the Little Napoli Restaurant at 6445 Westheimer at 7:00 PM. Check out their website for more details if you are interested at a brief outline of 2011.

ASTROLOGICAL OUTLOOK FOR JANUARY 2011

January begins with an explosion of optimism and activity on January 4, as the New Moon/Solar Eclipse occurs with the final joining of Jupiter and Uranus in Pisces, which began on June 8/2010. The joy, confidence, optimism and good fortune of Jupiter blend with the inventiveness, creativity and freeing energy of Uranus in the mystical, spiritual creative sign of Pisces at the same time there is a New Moon in hard working, practical Capricorn. It sounds to me like this is a year to fix what is broken and be lead out of the forest of disappointment and loss. Prepare yourself to move forward in all you dream about, as well as what you feel hopeless about. Optimism is a prerequisite to the change coming into our lives.

By the time the Full Moon occurs on 1/19, all of us should have begun a process of unlimited growth and opportunity. On 1/22 Jupiter enters Aries till June, bringing the ultimate confident motivating planet into the sign of unlimited energy and courage. Prepare for change energy like you haven't had for 12 years. On 1/25, Saturn, stops moving forward and slows down till mid June. Saturn and Jupiter are the regulator planets. Jupiter says go and Saturn says stop. When Jupiter is stronger than Saturn, things move faster and smoother. Take advantage of this six month period and get as much accomplished as possible.

All of us were plagued by bizarre events and communications from others in December as Mercury went backwards till 12/30, first in Capricorn and after 12/18 in Sagittarius. Those with planets in Capricorn and Sagittarius were most affected with confusion and delays, but everyone was aggravated and challenged, particularly with the holiday season occurring at the same time. Mercury begins the month moving forward in Sagittarius, crashing into Uranus on 1/10 and Jupiter on 1/11. These two days are not the time to have a heart to heart discussion with anyone. It is best to reflect on your insights and plan your communication thereafter. On 1/13 Mercury moves back into Capricorn, where the mind gets more realistic and practical. On 1/18 Mercury joins powerful Pluto, where deep truth and understanding emerge and Mercury moves past where it went off track in December. The Full Moon of 1/19 occurs at 29 degrees of Cancer, which will intensify the feeling function for all of us, but for those with planets in Cancer, it may feel overwhelming. On 1/26 Mercury and Saturn move into relationship with thinking and reality. Make your plans thereafter.

Venus begins the month in Scorpio where intense feelings about love, money and sex may overwhelm you, especially if you have planets in Scorpio, Libra and/or Taurus. This will be especially true on 1/4, as Neptune, Uranus and Jupiter touch Venus on that day, one after another. This is a combination which could bring confusion and volatility. It is best not to try to resolve any difficulties on this day. It is also not a good time to make decisions regarding money or relationships. Venus moves into Sagittarius on 1/7 where it remains till February. When Venus is influenced by Sagittarius, we are all more optimistic and generous, so enjoy this pattern. It is a great time to travel as well.

Mars remains in Capricorn until 1/15. This is a very active, tenacious pattern of success for all of us to use. For those with planets in Capricorn and Ares, it is an unrestricted time of accomplishment. Mars moves into Aquarius on 1/15 and all of us will have more interest in being with friends, groups and other sources of creative endeavors. This is particularly true for those with planets in Aries and Aquarius.

Jupiter, the largest planet in our solar system, finishes up its movement through Pisces in January, joining Uranus one final time on 1/4. This is a magnificent time of spiritual inspiration, so find some time to go inward and call on inspiration to guide you forward as the New Moon/Solar Eclipse moves you forward. On 1/22 Jupiter moves back into Aries for the first time in 12 years, except for the brief period last year from 6/6-9/9. This was a preview time for what we have an opportunity to develop this year. The sign Aries is full of confidence and energy for the joyous, fortunate energy of Jupiter. This is a year to take chances on unmet needs and dreams and the time to begin is January. It is a starting over time for all of us, but those with planets in Aries are poised and ready to go first. The time for self doubt and hesitation is over for all of us.

Saturn remains resting in Libra after 1/25. We are all re-evaluating our relationships with others for another year, so don't be surprised if there is a year of beginnings and endings in your intimate circle. It may be less dramatic for the next few months.

Uranus, the planet of revolutionary change remains behind, alone in Pisces till early March. We are all advised to develop our spiritual muscles and trust our intuition as this period which began in March 2003 comes to an end in March 2011. It will not return for 84 years, so soak up the energy and develop the spiritual disciplines and the tools to transform from the inside out.

Neptune is finishing up a long period in Aquarius before moving into Pisces on 4/4, which heralds major planetary shift for all of us.

Pluto moves with slow determination in Capricorn this month, urging us toward true maturity, whether we want it or not.

January is a month of pragmatic creativity for all of us. It is a time of unlimited opportunity for those who take the time to plan and prepare for their future with realistic optimism. We have all the planets in signs Libra to Aries, which is not a time of balance, but of extremes. This is super fuel for those of us with vision, a plan and optimism.

I will be in my office on January 3 to help you begin your journey.

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