

GREETINGS;

I hope the May Madness of Mercury retrograde didn't disrupt your life totally. June is the month to get back on track, after the fixed reality of Taurus and the scattered energy of Gemini. As the energy once again shifts to the cardinal energy of Cancer and we experience the Summer Solstice, life begins moving forward purposefully.

LANDSCAPING; Now is the time to prune before it gets too hot, choose plants that will make it through our long, hot summer, install irrigation, review your drainage needs before hurricane season, and prune trees near the house. I have formed an association of first class independent contractors called Precision Landscape Specialists. Together, five of us have 100 years experience. After seeing the unfortunate results of untrained, uneducated "landscapers" for many years, I have hand picked four other people to work with me to fill your landscape needs. Especially in Texas, where we have extremes of heat, drought, water and poor soil, all landscape professionals should have at least a Texas Master Gardener certificate. Please check out my website www.nanhallinke.com to view my work and read about my approach. To schedule a consultation please call my office at 713/520-1551. I am available to help you do it yourself for \$85 per hour.

SUMMER SOLSTICE RITUAL; On Sunday, June 21, I will hold my annual Summer Solstice Ritual, a perfect time to reflect, release, and symbolize the changes you wish to bring into your life with a group of kindred spirits. This will be held at my house at 7 PM. The charge is \$25. I will send a separate email with instructions in a few days. If you are interested, please email me or call me at 713/520-1551.

JUNE ASTROLOGICAL OUTLOOK;

Finally, the planets are spreading out and bringing opportunities for growth and change this month. We all experienced some chaos with Mercury out of control last month, but on 6/15 Mercury passes the point it went off the track and brings increased mental clarity and better communication dynamics.

The Full Moon which always stimulates and opens us up is 6/7. The New Moon which begins activities at a fortuitous time for growth is 6/22, just after the Summer Solstice, 6/21, the longest day of the year, On 6/15, Jupiter begins its period of rest, and all the Aquarians will be glad for a break.

With most of the planets in earth and earth, the world of reason returns and life appears more stable for a time.

Mercury begins the month in practical, hardworking Taurus, which favors practical, realistic solutions, particularly concerning money matters, about which Taureans are always serious, frugal and good future planners. On 6/9, a moment of fear, genius, or creativity may occur regarding budget items, but on 6/10, a more relaxed pattern with Jupiter shows us not to worry. On 6/13 Mercury moves into Gemini, urging us to look at life with a sense of humor, and to seek simple pleasures. On 6/26 there may be some unexpected problems to solve, but nothing of consequence.

Venus begins the month in Aries, where it is still recovering from the stressful patterns of March and April. On 6/6 Venus moves into Taurus, where it is most comfortable, prosperous and predictable. This should be an improving money month for most of us. On 6/8 Venus and Pluto form a supportive pattern, which favors joint financial matters and investments. On 6/21, at the Summer Solstice, Venus joins Mars in Taurus, which is a fabulous pattern of energy for relationships and income potential. On 6/22, as the Sun enters Cancer, and the moon is new, Venus and Saturn form a supportive triangle. This is good news for all of us in money and relationship matters, as it stabilizes growth and shows a return to balance.

Mars is very favorable this month as well, moving through Taurus, where it is productive, tenacious and successful for all of us, particularly for those with planets in Aries and Taurus. On 6/4 Mars and Pluto join together to promote harmony and power sharing, rather than the conflictual patterns of March-May. On 6/21, again at the Summer Solstice, Mars and Saturn form a strong alliance for balanced growth, especially beneficial for those with planets in Capricorn, Taurus and Aries.

Essentially, the patterns of the past six months will be reversing by month's end, and not a moment too soon for any of us.

If you need to schedule a personal appointment, I will be in town all of June. Please call my office at 713/520-1551 to schedule your time.

ENJOY THE CHANGE

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