

## GREETINGS:

I hope the eclipse of 9/27 brought welcome changes into your life. Now the doomsday prophets will have nothing to dwell on until 2032 when the next Blood Moon occurs. Fortunately, the many planets in social signs in October will bring a more peaceful time of balance and positive action. As we know, the astrological cycles move us upward and forward in a spiral of life that invites us to flow with the current of life and not struggle with what we cannot change.

On 9/30 Mercury moves backwards into the Sun in Libra and may offer a solution to problems which have plagued us for many weeks. At the very least there may be a new perspective on what concerns us most. October is offering many opportunities for positive movement and change with planets changing signs and Mercury moving out of a time standing still illusion. Note the date of Mercury going direct of 10/9 and back to where it went backward on 10/23, the same day that the Sun moves into Scorpio, the sign of empowerment and transformation. The New Moon occurs on 10/12 and the Full Moon ends the month on 10/27. This is definitely a time to exhale tension with the Sun and Mercury in peaceful air sign Libra and to work diligently on new solutions to old problems with Venus, Jupiter and Mars in earthy, practical Virgo.

If you don't fully understand the meaning of these statements, it would be timely to schedule an astrological consultation which provides a customized life plan for review and revision of your goals and a new perspective on your life circumstances. Please let me know if I can help you make sense of the challenges and opportunities in your life.

LANDSCAPING: Although we have been plagued by floods, drought and heat this summer, Fall is around the corner, so it is time to clean up, make a planting plan and enjoy the upcoming "Second Spring" in our area. This phenomena allows us to enjoy the fruits of our efforts for months to come. If I can help you with design, installation or clean up, please let me know. I have an association with precision landscape specialists for all of your needs. I can consult on your questions at an hourly rate of \$95 or design and install your improvements. Please let me know how I can help you. I have 15 years of professional experience, and years of education and training in native plants and organics.

## OCTOBER ASTROLOGICAL FORECAST:

After joining the Sun in Libra on 9/30, Mercury and Jupiter meet in an expansive pattern on 10/2, which is great for conversation and sharing of information. On 10/8 Venus leaves Leo and enters Virgo, which is a major shift of values and feelings as the passion and extravagance of Leo merges into practical, frugal Virgo. This is a major cycle of healing health conditions, improving our work situations and taking better care of ourselves in general. We all have till 11/8 to focus like a laser beam on these issues. On 10/9 Mercury begins a reintegration into our lives with less struggle with communication, transportation and decisions flowing with greater ease, particularly in our dealings with those closest to us. A technical factor called Mutual Reception occurs till from 10/8-31 with Mercury in Libra and Venus in Virgo. Each of these planets rules the other sign, i.e. Mercury rules Virgo and Venus rules Libra. In this case solutions to long standing issues and communication difficulties should appear with greater ease.

On 10/11 the first of 3 Jupiter and Pluto triangles occur, a positive pattern for work and health, especially for those with planets in Virgo and Capricorn. It is much easier to maximize potential and turn it into gains. The following day we experience a New Moon in Libra reflecting the dance of spirit with matter, showing us that everyone is both a teacher and a student. We can learn from and offer something to everyone we encounter. Both Mercury and the North Node are in Libra as well, reminding us that relationship is an inside job. The more we integrate and balance the many parts of ourselves, the better we relate to others. Uranus in fiery, self-actualizing Aries opposes this New Moon making it easier to give up roles and be authentic, speaking and listening from our hearts. This is a great time for conflict resolution and honest discussion. For those who hide from and avoid relationships, this is a time when it may be easier to say "yes" to the opportunities to be with others and accept love and friendship with grace and gratitude. All those who enter our life are a mirror into our potential.

Three days in mid-October are a powerhouse of action and awareness. On 10/15 Mars in Virgo supports Pluto in Capricorn and if you need to have a business or personal meeting, this is the day for you. On 10/16 Venus in Virgo stands in front of Neptune in Pisces and the images from the unconscious flow with ease, as does our intuition. Make plans to be still and see what pops up. On 10/17 Mars and Jupiter join together in practical Virgo, activating ambition to achieve our goals. This combination elevates our energies and stimulates us to make things happen at a higher level. Energetic Mars and optimistic Jupiter make a large dent in the work we need to do to set up our future enterprises.

On 10/23 the Sun moves into watery Scorpio where we will encounter the deeper side of our nature. On this day Mercury in Libra returns to the point where, in August, time stood still, particularly with regard to our relationship life. Change is moving within and without in all our thoughts, conversations and goals with regard to others. On 10/25 Venus and Jupiter join together in Virgo, which is a pattern of good fortune and good outcomes for all who take appropriate risk. This is particularly a great time to travel, get married, or just enjoy life.

On 10/27 we can enjoy a Full Moon in Taurus. This is the 3rd of 3 Super Moons in a row, which greatly amplifies gravitational and electromagnetic pull on the earth and our bodies and psyche. There is often greater emotional volatility when the Moon in Taurus is opposing the Sun in Scorpio. This is our opportunity to see the light in darkness. On a pragmatic level, it is a great time to get out of the house and enjoy yourself as the urge to restrain yourself is not present.

Hopefully you get the message that life is flowing with less tension and pressure in October. With planets in Cardinal signs, Libra, Capricorn and Aries, change and movement is inevitable. With planets in Virgo, Sagittarius and Pisces, it is certain that we need to dream a new dream and find a new way of looking at life. If I can offer assistance in these tasks, it would be my pleasure and privilege. Let me know when and how I can help you realize your best self.

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