

GREETINGS;

As the summer season comes to an end and we begin Fall on September 22 with the onset of the Autumnal Equinox, I hope you are well and rested for the continuing adventure of life in this interesting, surprising year of 2012. There are several patterns which portend change beyond the ordinary or expected. With the second Full Moon in August, the Blue Moon of 8/31 setting the tone for the month of September, as an overture for the dance of new life, hopefully we have our minds around solving problems and making change a habit. Please plan pleasant activities for the Labor Day weekend as the Full Moon in Pisces dares us all to dream with a new enthusiasm. When we return to our routines on 9/4 the Moon is in get down to work sign Taurus, loading the bases of earth energy so we can make progress.

LANDSCAPING. With a cooler, wetter summer than last year, plants have grown and flourished and need to be pruned and groomed with mulch and fertilizer. The early Fall we can expect will give us a magnificent blooming opportunity. If you need help with design, clean up, tree planting or pruning, irrigation installation or repair, or any "exterior decorating" need, I would love to help you enjoy your out of doors experience with renewed enthusiasm. For those who want to do it themselves, I am available for consultation at the rate of \$95 per hour. Please call my office at 713/520-1551 to schedule an appointment to address your needs.

SEPTEMBER ASTROLOGICAL OUTLOOK;

September brings our second opportunity in 2012 to review, revise and plan our change strategies for the next 3 years. As you may remember, Uranus (now in Aries) and Pluto (still in Capricorn), and making the second and final connection of 2012 on 9/19. The first coming together occurred on 6/24, shortly after the legendary transit of the Sun by Venus on 6/5. This was our first glance at the struggle we all face between being authentic self and cooperating powerfully with others in our life. As Uranus moves through Aries for the next few years, we are each called individually to become more decisive, bold and authentic in our self expression. We are being polished in this endeavor by the reality of the planet Pluto occupying the sign Capricorn. This combination affects our political, financial and health realities, as well as all our relationships with those we interact with. Their perceived reality may not match ours, and this is the time to step out of our comfort zone and find balance on the growing edge of our lives. Prepare to be open, expect the unexpected and don't be surprised if life moves more swiftly than every before. As they say about change, "the readiness is all", so relax and move with the flow.

With the Sun and its ruler Mercury in Virgo for most of September, we have the mental abilities to solve problems and improve our understanding of our realities. This is a very healing combination which can be applied literally or figuratively to a myriad of situations. The New Moon in Virgo on the evening of 9/15, is the beginning of a powerful 2-week period which will ramp up our energy in a more focused, productive manner. The Full Moon of 9/29, known as the Harvest Moon, should end a day of electric possibilities with clarifying intensity. The Sun is combined with the Uranus/Pluto standoff mentioned in the previous paragraph from early morning till early afternoon, and the Moon joins in the mix early evening before the Moon reaches its fullest point shortly before midnight. Please plan something exciting, unforgettable and amazing for this beautiful evening. At this point you will have completed Act 1 of your personal development plan for 2012, and get to enjoy it before Phase 2 begins in May of 2013. Don't miss the opportunity to make improvements in your understanding and implementation of your necessary life changes.

Mercury, as already mentioned, begins the month at home in Virgo, increasing our clever, problem solving energies, as well as our powers of analysis. Neptune infuses the mind with creative possibilities on 9/1, and Pluto empowers our thought processes with practical possibilities on 9/4. On 9/8 Jupiter expands our options and on 9/10 Solar power rules as we are closed to our truths on a deep, personal level. On 9/16 Mercury moves forward into relationship driven, peace-making Libra, turning the focus to our interaction dynamics with others. On 9/20 Uranus awakens us, and/or aggravates us, depending on the clarity of our boundaries with those we care about. On 9/26 a powerful supportive energy from Jupiter moving through light hearted Gemini bids us to laugh more and not take life so seriously.

As September begins Venus, our desire planet is completing its visit in home and family sign Cancer, moving into social, creative Leo on 9/6. Enjoy the peaceful beginning of the month as the pace will pick up greatly once Venus enters Leo. On 9/3 Venus and Saturn briefly flirt with disappointment and discouragement, but life moves quickly from black and white to technicolor for the remainder of September. On 9/13, a good time is promised to all who leave the house and impulsivity is hard to resist on 9/27 so resist the temptation to try to change others or resolve your differences. The theme of the day is slow down and use caution. For those with planets in Leo, September will be party time and you will look and feel marvelous.

Mars spends September in Scorpio, intensifying feelings and energizing our financial lives. Since Mars emits a highly energetic presence, those with planets in Scorpio will have more get up and go than usual. This is definitely not the time to replay past disappointments or regrets, as a slow burning feeling energy will allow us to know more about the depths of our feeling function if we take the time to reflect.

On 9/17 the rest time for Pluto in Capricorn comes to an end for the year, as Pluto gets back in the game. For all with planets in Capricorn and Scorpio, the race is beginning and there is much to gain from being prepared to win.

September is the final month for Saturn to occupy Libra for the next 30 years. For those with planets in Libra, this cannot come soon enough. The 3 year period of delay, difficulty and disappointment which has taught us all more than we ever wanted to know about the people in our lives is passing away on October 5. At that time Saturn will enter Scorpio for the next 3 years, and we will all learn more about money and its value than we thought possible. Most of us have a new understanding of ourselves and how we want to be involved in the lives of others. The first week of September provides us with a strong feeling triangle, so pay attention, you won't be this clear again this year. Take some time to go to your center and make plans that reflect your deepest self. This is a time of endings and beginnings and as we all know, when a door closes, another opens. It is just Hell in the hallway.

I will be in the office all of September. If I can help you with any of your challenges and changes, please let me know.

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