



CANCER 2013 NEWSLETTER **Compliments of** **Alice DeVille**

With the dawn of the solstice, every succulent summer veggie and gorgeous flower starts filling the garden. How nice to see the evidence of nature's bounty and to look forward to tasting them - tomatoes, peppers, corn and fresh herbs - as well as enjoying displays of fragrant roses and carnations in decorative vases. Nutritious meals appeal to us and add to the enjoyment of warm weather. What do you like? What helps you lighten up in summer? Is it your much-anticipated vacation or celebrating the 4th of July in your own home town? Get ready to embrace patriotism and renew your spirit. If you cherish all people and things dear to your heart you'll embrace some of the qualities of the current birthday honoree, Cancer.

IMPORTANT DATE

JULY 4: Independence Day

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Congratulations to AD on winning May's drawing of the 2013 Llewellyn Moon Sign Book. Monthly drawings are open to all clients who book a consultation of one hour or more. June's award will be a copy of the 2013 Moon Sign Book and July's drawing is a \$10 coupon to use toward your next appointment or a timeline report. Discounts of \$10 apply to any Cancers who book an appointment before July 22; report orderers receive a \$5 discount during this period.

I am under contract to write an article that will feature one-dish recipes for the 2015 Llewellyn Herbal Almanac. The 2014 Herbal Almanac hits the shelves next month. Look for my article there called titled TASTY TOMATO TREATS that includes appetizers through desserts featuring tomatoes.

Dozens of readers have written during the past month with comments or questions about the current world activities, security breaches, weather conditions that continue to plague a large segment of the country, and other references I have made over the past few years regarding the high-impact transits of Uranus and Pluto. I

have also received a number of housekeeping questions and will address them in the Readers Corner segment of the newsletter. I note a large number of queries continue to come from members of the mutable signs, Gemini, Sagittarius, Virgo and Pisces; an almost equal number have come from fixed sign readers, Taurus, Scorpio, Leo and Aquarius; and several from Cancer and Capricorn writers who are in the throes of aspects from Uranus in Aries and Pluto in Capricorn. Many readers say that eclipses have grabbed your attention and affected your life and I am happy to respond.

Cyber threats continue to come in almost daily; this month shows a twist on the tactic that a friend has been robbed and needs your financial help. It has changed a bit to the friend taking ill in a foreign country and needing financial help for medical care; almost daily someone sends phony notices of you being the beneficiary of a great sum of money, a lottery win or an inheritance and all you have to do is give them your banking information and you will soon be rich. Keep vigilant. Please don't send mail to recipients on your list that show all of their contact addresses - you could be putting someone at risk. Many Internet service providers are automatically sending mail with long attachments to SPAM - you will discover this when you examine your SPAM folder. Stay alert and check with your ISP for any security updates.

CANCER and THE YEAR AHEAD

Happy Birthday, Cancer! Your Water Sun Sign rules the 4th House of “home sweet home”, family, foundations, base of operations, household matters including decorating, design, renovation and real estate; mother and sometimes father, your sixth sense, gardening or plants, and your emotional temperature along with your responsiveness to others' plights. This section of the chart represents parts of your life or personality that describe how you interact with family members and solve related problems; what you like to do around the house, people you hang out with or with whom you share your home; your meal prep habits and cooking skills as well as how you equip your kitchen. Many of you are “oven huggers.” Born under the sign of the Crab, you are both a water sign and the second Cardinal sign and came here to learn about the depth of your feelings. The Moon is your ruling planet and its place and sign in your chart shows how you display your emotions. Goals mean a lot to you and you invest considerable energy to achieve them. And yes, some of you can get very moody or “crabby.” This year the Sun enters your sign on June 21 at 1:04 AM EDT and leaves on July 22 at 11:56 AM EDT. As we enter your Sun sign territory **Jupiter in Gemini** is wrapping up a few loose ends in your solar 12th House of behind the scenes planning, secrets, solitary work or writing projects, visiting the sick or healing through June 24. Then the planet of expansion heads to **Cancer** and spends over a year in your solar 1st House of self-expression, action, appearance, competition, innovation, enterprise, passion, and initiative. You benefit most from embracing an optimistic outlook for your many goals that allow you to attract new and exciting opportunities. A positive attitude goes a long way in helping you to heal both physical and emotional pain that has dogged you in recent years. Develop realistic timelines and avoid over-commitment, a trait that leaves you with little down time. What will you pursue and what will you drop? Be sure to pay attention to relationships in August when the opposition from Pluto in Capricorn in your solar 7th House can lead to a flare-up. Seek advice rather than handle a control freak on your own. **Saturn in Scorpio plays a leading role in your 5th House of children, sports, social life, fun, games, creative forces, risk-taking, dating, and entrepreneurial endeavors.** Some of you could become involved in a serious relationship or strengthen an existing one. Others could

have problematic children whose habits must be addressed to help you maintain sanity and balance. If you have been too soft on them it is time to take a firm stance. Saturn favorably aspects those of you born June 26-July 12 and especially has an impact on those of you born through July 3 where it influences your life for most of the year; those born July 3-12 feel these vibes for the last few months of the year and again in 2014. Women may get pregnant; teens fall in love; child-related expenses can escalate or serious discussions about school, college, entertainment and sports emerge. Work with the positive energy of this vibe. **Uranus in Aries all year** travels through your Solar 10th House of career and life status. Those of you born June 26-July 3 could learn news of a sudden change in the job environment - could be a promotion or a loss; downsizing or reorganization; or new management/boss/location; new owner or a buyout; loss of a contract or reduced work hours. Depends on what is going on in the rest of your chart. Jupiter helps you attract new employment but do your homework and ask questions about any offers that seem more attractive than they really are. Look on the bright side of any upheavals or unusual encounters - Uranus brings change where you could use some to break up stagnant conditions and for those wanting more independence, it will be hard to miss the signs. Uranus is here through 2019. Opt for a rewarding future. **Neptune in residence in its home sign, Pisces is in your solar 9th House** of higher education, business improvement plans, foreigners, politics, publishing, in-laws, long-distance travel, and spirituality where it will remain until 2025. With a nice boost from Saturn in Scorpio and now Jupiter in Cancer your self-confidence gets a boost and you trust your developing talent to give you the edge in competitive ventures. Keep perspective flexible and real. Do you enjoy travel? If so you could visit relatives or friends in distant places or study abroad if born June 20-26. Matters connected with Neptune in this house could involve a course of study, learning a language, writing professionally, publicizing a venture, developing spiritual enlightenment or gaining insight into medical practices and conditions. Keep the lenses clear on your rose-colored glasses and the answers you seek are yours for the asking; give your time to a worthy cause. **Pluto in Capricorn connects with Cancers born June 30-July 4 in your solar 7th House of business, personal and romantic partners; roommates, collaborators, the public, advisors and legal practitioners.** This year represents the one and only time you get to experience Pluto's testy transit since the planet of depth and regeneration moves so slowly and opposes your Sun. You and someone close to you will experience major changes; for some a relationship could intensify while others dissolve. Pluto is the great transformer so when it touches your life this intensely it stimulates changes at deep levels. Be on the lookout for obsessiveness in personal or business relationships. In the 7th House Pluto challenges you to examine your relationship with yourself and how you feel about the internal and external picture. Use this time to change your habits, your appearance and your attitude. This year Pluto interacts with two other planets in cardinal signs - Jupiter in Cancer and the great disrupter Uranus in Aries so get ready for a few fireworks in the career and life status sector—authority figures, bosses or co-workers. Network with new people and find ways to alleviate the mental stress that comes with unstable conditions. Begin to give serious thought to an interesting career opportunity.

This year's eclipses affect you as follows: The first **eclipse influencing your birthday year is the April 25 Full Moon Solar eclipse which fell in your solar 5th** House and emphasizes your creative and entrepreneurial endeavors, love life, social connections, sports interests, children, games and recreation. The influence of this eclipse extends to November 3 when another Scorpio eclipse, this one a Solar Eclipse

falls in the same house and stimulates activities around these themes until April 29, 2014. Remember that Saturn in Scorpio is also present here and will add a sober note to matters involving children, vacation, entertainment, speculation and romantic relationships - on the latter you either get serious and want to take the connection to the next level or find sufficient conflict to move on. Assess your health, lifestyle and areas that generate excessive stress. **The May 9 solar eclipse of 2013 occurred in your solar 11th House** of associates, friends, groups, memberships, company resources, prominent goals, collateral responsibilities, humanitarian endeavors and organizations. The vibe in this case represents positive opportunities for networking, welcoming new and old friends into your circle, accepting invitations to hold office in a club, professional organization or public office if you are so inclined. You could invest time and money in your career or life goals and focus on realistic achievement timelines. **The fourth eclipse we discuss for your 2013 update occurred on May 25 in Sagittarius** in your solar 6th House of health, daily environment, work colleagues and related routines, eating and fitness habits, and pets. This eclipse works hand in hand with **the October 18 Aries eclipse in your solar 10th House of career and life status**. For many Cancers health matters need attention to correct imbalances; it is important to facilitate an exercise program or make a nutrition change; critical communication affects the outcome of issues. You will have to set boundaries at home and on the job to make sure you have no excuses that continue patterns of stagnation. With Uranus also in your solar 10th House you could get a job offer, promotion or some good news from professional contacts and it could change your life. Take note of any new people you met in May because they could be influential in upcoming changes that carry into 2014. People confide in you and you learn a lot about professional contacts or relatives. This eclipse could propel you into the limelight with new work and career opportunities during the latter half of 2013 and early 2014. Circulate your resume. Jupiter has been in your 6th house of health and daily environment so the time is right to examine how you have healed the wounds in your life. Pluto in the 7th House also plays a role in how your 10th House is the trigger point of change. Take breaks and chill out after heavy mental output; create harmony and use color to lift spirits at home base. Many people you know count on your kindness; be sure to be kind to yourself so you can fully enjoy this birthday year. This section may apply also in part to individuals with Cancer on the Ascendant or multiple Cancer planets.

Famous Cancers include: Prince William, Cyndi Lauper, Juliette Lewis, Carson Daly, Bruce Campbell, Kris Kristofferson, Meryl Streep, Randy Jackson, Joss Whedon, Anna Paquin, Carly Simon, George Michael, Chris Isaak, Chris O'Donnell, Tobey Maguire, John Cusack, Kathy Bates, John Bradshaw, Richard Lewis, Vincent D'Onofrio, Dan Aykroyd, Liv Tyler, Pamela Anderson, Princess Diana, Lindsay Lohan, Tom Cruise, Elizabeth Hendrickson, Hunter Tylo, Tom Stoppard, Gina Lollobrigida, Geraldo Rivera, Neil Simon, Huey Lewis, Edie Falco, Dalai Lama, former President George W. Bush, Sylvester Stallone, 50 Cent, Michelle Kwan, Ringo Starr, Anjelica Huston, Billy Crudup, Kevin Bacon, Chris Cooper, Fred Savage, Jimmy Smits, Tom Hanks, Jessica Simpson, Giorgio Armani, "Lil Kim", Bill Cosby, Harrison Ford, Matthew Fox, Forest Whitaker, Linda Ronstadt, Phoebe Cates, Chelsie Hightower, Blake Lewis, CC Sabathia, David Hasselhoff, Elizabeth McGovern, Arianna Huffington, James Brolin, Nelson Mandela, Carlos Santana, Ali Landry, Jon Lovitz, Rory Culkin, Vanessa Lengies, Brandi Chastain, Sandra Oh, Kay Starr, Edward Herrmann, Charlotte Gainsbourg, Damian Marley, Gary Trudeau, Alex Trebek, Josh Hartnett, David Spade, Willem DaFoe, and Robin Williams.

THE PLANETS' ACTIVITY JUNE 21-July 22, 2013

Generally speaking the next year should show a positive burst of energy for water signs with three major outer planets in water signs: Jupiter in Cancer joins these other planets for 13 months on June 25, Saturn is in Scorpio all year and into 2014, and Neptune in Pisces remains in the sign until 2025. The intense positioning of Cardinal Sign planets in the heavens continues to demonstrate chaotic trends on the home front and globally. The U.S. works through both domestic and international dilemmas with one thing after another unfolding; climate change (think heat wave in Alaska that is trending now), financial, medical, security, immigration, and congressional accord - quite a loaded agenda.

Right on the heels of the Sun's entry into Cancer on June 21, the planet of communication, Mercury, goes retrograde in Cancer (23°) on June 26th at 9:08 AM EDT and goes direct in Cancer (13°) on July 20 at 2:22 PM EDT. In 2013 the water signs host all three Mercury retrogrades, so it is important to pay attention to the house in your chart where the confusion, chaos, delays or mix-ups in communication/progress occur. Typical setbacks could include incorrect medical tests, missing documents, late arrivals for meetings, planes, and parties, and work that has to be corrected or done over again. Don't buy a new car or order furniture especially on the station days, June 26 and July 20. Pass your time by phoning a friend, working on projects already in process, reading, writing and journaling; good time to study for a test. Don't be surprised if you hear from an old friend or two. **Venus occupies late degrees of Cancer** and moves to Leo by June 28 where it remains through July 23. **Mars starts the cycle in Gemini and moves to Cancer** on July 14 energizing houses ruled by these signs. Look out for arguments on home turf if Mars moves through your 4th House of home and family. Between sensitive feelings and bouts of angst the tension could get heated. **Jupiter in Cancer** blesses the lives of those of you born the first 7 degrees of your sign. Now is the time to buy the lottery ticket, celebrate with friends and family and expand the scope of your interests. Live large in the next 13 months with the Jupiter's luck in your sign. Other beneficiaries include Pisces and Scorpions born from 0-7° of your signs; also Taurus and Virgo benefit; Aries, Libra and Capricorn deal with a few challenges or come to decision points. **Retrograde Saturn in Scorpio** most affects the charts of Scorpions born around the 25th-28th of October. The good news is that Saturn moves forward in direct motion on July 7. Anything that seems like a nagging pain is ready for action and solid solutions after that date. **Uranus in Aries travels over the 11th and 12th degrees of the sign** during this cycle and goes stationary retrograde at 12° on July 17 at 1:20 PM EDT where it dances with Aries and the other cardinal sign planets until December 17 at 12:40 PM EST. If you have planets at those degrees, life can get exciting and disruptive so hang on; the transit applies strongly to members of the signs Aries, Cancer, Libra and Capricorn especially with the previously mentioned presence of Pluto in Capricorn and now Jupiter in Cancer. Overall Uranus is very unstable from July 15-22. Uranus has a big role now in the realm of international politics. Just look at how it is playing out with President Obama's foreign travel, new disclosures about Putin's role in Russia (separation from his spouse, influence in Georgia (formerly part of the USSR), and his thing for "bling" in the form of a Super Bowl ring owned by Robert Kraft, elections in Iran, challenges with Syria, the IRS and the world of espionage. These themes reflect information I have been sharing with you for the past few years and the play continues through 2016. Individuals born with tight Sun/Uranus conjunctions or squares tend to

exhibit dictatorial behavior. In 2013 the trait appears in new births born the first six days of July. A current leader who has the Sun /Uranus in harsh aspect is Egypt's new president Mohamed Morsi, a Leo born with a hard aspect from Uranus and Pluto on his Sun; he can make up rules on the fly and take action without considering boundaries and rights of others - stay tuned. **Neptune in Pisces** continues in retrograde motion at 5 and 4 degrees of the sign most affecting those born **February 22-24 as well as the mutable signs Gemini, Virgo and Sagittarius** with the Sun or other planets at 4 and 5 degrees. Many of you could be dealing with emotional or spiritual decisions and using your best coping mechanism to work on issues. Check your chart regardless of your sign to see where Neptune in Pisces is residing now. Those of you born March 2-4 have Chiron in Pisces on your Suns reminding you of current (or old) wounds that keep surfacing and could use some healthy release to free you from the anxiety; ditto for other mutable signs born around the 13th degree of your sign - Gemini, Virgo and Sagittarius. Chiron went to retrograde motion on June 16 triggering another round of addressing related issues that last through the summer. **Starting with the harsh aspects from Uranus in Aries to Pluto retrograde in Capricorn that prevail over the 4th of July holiday, take caution with fire, fireworks, and mechanical devices in need of repair. The tone for this cycle of activity is very much focused on politics, global impact and economic alliances which will be strongly tested.** As we remain in the midst of the Pluto hard aspects it is important to watch the tone of people, situations and politics - "outburst" can be the word of the day especially as we move to early July. Vulnerability, surprise, the unexpected, transformations and discovery are part of the cycle of **Cardinal sign individuals born with planets from 9-12 degrees of Cancer, Capricorn, Aries and Libra.** Stay grounded. As you clean out closets and toss old files this month give some thought to dynamics involving work place and personal relationships.

LUNAR/SOLAR CYCLES

JUNE 23: Full Moon in Capricorn, 7:33 AM, 2° vs 10'

JULY 8: New Moon in Cancer, 3:15 AM EDT, 16° ∅ 18'

JULY 22: Sun Enters Leo, 11:56 AM EDT

JULY 22: Full Moon in Aquarius, 1:16 PM EDT, 0° ✕ 06'

PEOPLE, PLACES, EVENTS, AND TOPICS IN THE NEWS

The Gemini newsletter generated several comments and questions on current events, government security, personalities in the news, and the influence of the planets. You'll find some of these areas addressed in the sections that follow along with information on key cast members of MAD MEN which wraps up the season on Sunday.

The Cast of Mad Men: So many talented actors appear on this show. Here are birthday highlights for 7 members of this ensemble including the show's creator, Matthew Weiner. Their data appear in birthday order from January to December: **January Jones**, Capricorn born January 5 has a Sun/Venus conjunction in Capricorn that describes her cool beauty and works with her Moon in Scorpio to create a mysterious air; **Jon Hamm**, Pisces born March 10 has planets in all 4 mutable signs, 3 of which form an aspect called a Yod at 28 degrees of Pisces, Sagittarius and Virgo and represent reminders of his spiritual purpose and change agent qualities; **Christina**

Hendricks, Taurus born May 3 has many Pisces placements that attract dramatic scenarios as well as a strong aspect between her Sun in Taurus and Moon in Aquarius that show she will meet challenges head on and fight for what she earns much the same as Joan, the character she plays on the show; **Vincent Kartheiser**, Taurus born May 5 with Chiron on his Sun uses early life lessons to become an action-oriented doer with abundant fire planets in Aries, Leo and a few in Sagittarius that present a personality much different than the manipulative Pete he portrays on the show; **Matthew Weiner**, a double Cancer (Sun and Moon) born June 29 with Mercury and Venus in Cancer and a stellium of Pisces placements and Neptune in Scorpio gets many of his creative ideas from intuitive hits and strong attention to his inner voice; he has a strong penchant for creating complex characters in need of attitude adjustment ; **Elizabeth Moss**, a Leo born July 24 with her 1° Sun conjunct Mercury in Cancer experienced the May 25 eclipse on natal Uranus in her chart and her life should bloom with unexpected offers and more drama through October; **John Slattery**, a Leo born August 13 is following his natal North Node in Leo (what he came here to do) with a stellium of Leo placements, one of the major signs associated with acting, entertaining and character expression - he could also be quite the comedian with a Uranus/Mercury connection in Virgo that makes him witty with a touch of satire - he probably keeps his cast mates on their toes with spontaneity and unexpected ad-libbing; and **Jessica Pare**, a Sagittarius born December 5 has much inner depth and commitment to her goals, has a number of benefits coming from the transit of Jupiter in Cancer and right now has Pluto on Mars to add drama to personal aspects of her life. The sign tally: 3 Fire; 3 Earth; 2 Water; 2 cardinal; 4 fixed and 2 mutable elements.

Kristen Alderson: Here's a great big shout-out to Gemini Kristen born May 29 who won her first daytime Emmy as Outstanding Younger Actress on June 16 for her portrayal of Starr Manning on GENERAL HOSPITAL. Kristen is long-overdue having originated this role on ONE LIFE TO LIVE at age 6 (although she is now portraying a new character called Kiki Jerome on GH) and entertained many fans with her precocious repartee holding her own with the seasoned actors in both casts. Kristen hails from Bucks County, PA and is part of a close family unit; she often praises her parents for their commitment and support. Her chart shows that her Gemini Sun was highly activated by the November 28, 2012 eclipse in that sign, another the previous May, and by the May 25, 2013 eclipse in Sagittarius. Life is changing for Kristen; she is fortunate to work with her boyfriend, Virgo Chad Duell, another member of the GENERAL HOSPITAL cast. This duo has some interesting chart connections that solidify their friendship with a Moon/Sun conjunction and another connection between her Moon and his Saturn, a sign of serious intent. Kristen also shared many scenes on ONE LIFE TO LIVE with her real-life brother, Eddie, a Scorpio who portrayed her friend, Matthew on the show and has acted in films and TV shows. The best is yet to come - stay tuned.

James Gandolfini: I was proofreading the newsletter as this startling news broke. The gifted actor and star of **SOPRANOS** and many films died suddenly on June 19 in a hotel in Rome, Italy. Early reports say he had attended a film festival in Taormina, Italy. Later the story update said that James was on a personal vacation with his son, Michael who found that his father had collapsed in their hotel room and called for help. Gandolfini's parents were born in Italy; he enjoyed many trips to Italy during his lifetime and spoke fluent Italian, a language spoken in his childhood home. James, a Virgo born in Westwood, NJ, would have turned 52 on September 18, and remained immensely popular with his legions of fans and peers. A look at his natal chart reveals

5 planets in Leo, the sign of the heart with Uranus in Leo (sudden events) in strong aspect with Venus, Black Moon Lilith, and the Moon's North Node. You can be sure the tributes will be many as details of his last hours, many accomplishments and heartfelt tributes dominate the news in days to come. People who knew him well say that he was nothing like the blustery Tony Soprano he portrayed with award-winning gusto. Friends say he was loyal, kind and caring. The world of fans will miss James Gandolfini.

Edward Snowden: The questions and curiosity abound on what makes the infamous NSA whistleblower tick. The public verdict seems divided on whether he is a traitor or a hero in revealing the National Security Agency's (NSA) surveillance plans and the countries they are watching. Snowden revealed that Big Brother is watching all of us and felt the public deserves to know what the government is up to despite the ramifications that arise from giving away secret information and betraying the confidences of those who entrusted him with critical information. While he could have stayed in hiding in Beijing, the risks he has taken led many officials to conclude that he may be planning to defect.

Snowden was born in Elizabeth City, North Carolina, on June 21 on the last degree of Gemini with a Scorpio Moon that is now being bombarded by transiting Saturn sitting on it while in harsh aspect to his natal Black Moon Lilith in Aquarius, a connection that enjoys the nuances of political intrigue. The transit has the effect of putting you in the hot seat to tell what you know - or not! Despite the presumed limitations of his academic credentials, this is one smart dude. He's a whiz in computer technology, cracking codes, and retaining huge quantities of information with his fine memory and ability to quickly sort through, classify and interpret sensitive material. He's probably been called a human computer or something to that effect. He has several planets in the information devouring and communication-oriented sign Gemini: Mercury, Mars, Moon's North Node and the Sun.

His natal Sun sits opposite natal Neptune in Sagittarius and indicates that at the time of his first Saturn return, about two years ago, and in conjunction with some key eclipses his world view began to shift. He could be anything he wanted to be and could change roles at the drop of a hat. Simultaneously he began to ferret out the secrets behind highly sensitive information and become closely attuned to the capabilities of cyberwarfare. Some officials believe these abilities make him a prime target to be a pawn in the political games and power plays between the U.S. and China. It does not appear that the decisions he made in the last few months were new ideas - it takes a lot of planning to execute relocation and drop informational bombs the way he did. No doubt he carefully researched extradition policies in countries that may provide asylum. The case will become even more complex as the U.S. authorities wrestle with the next steps. What do you think?

Additionally, it is not surprising that Snowden is intrigued with NSA, the agency that guards the secrets of espionage. His chart with a Scorpio Moon and Aquarius Black Moon interact strongly with the NSA chart. The agency came into existence on October 24, 1952 in the Truman Administration granting the authority to control practices that undermine national security. NSA's Sun in Scorpio sits in the 10th house of the Agency's chart and is accompanied by a Saturn/Neptune in Libra a configuration that relates to control over subterfuge and discovery of secrets. The 11th House of resources holds

Vesta (focus) and Mercury (intelligence) conjunct in Scorpio further carrying out the theme to recruit the sharpest minds and use covert tactics to preserve the country's strategies. Since 2007 the Agency has accelerated use of Internet providers to access vital security information.

Right now transiting Jupiter in late degrees of Gemini will move to Snowden's Sun and within two weeks early Jupiter in Cancer will connect with transiting Black Moon Lilith. Expect more publicity and additional reveals.

READERS' CORNER

Thank you for the many questions and comments you sent during the past month. I am responding to one personal question in this section and am using the rest of the space to respond to questions that have come up about consultations and housekeeping/policy questions.

Q. My brother unloaded on me with a personal dilemma last weekend and I would like your opinion on whether you think his relationship with his Significant Other is going to last. Both parties are divorced with children; his are 12 and 15 and hers are 16 and 18. They have been seeing each other for almost a year and a half. He is a Leo and she is a Libra. SO's daughter recently graduated from high school and she threw a big party for her but did not invite my brother's children although they live with their mother less than 5 miles from the SO's home. His feelings are hurt because he thought the relationship had more depth and expected them to be invited. My brother felt they were heading toward an engagement and was thinking of buying a ring for her this year. When he asked the SO why his children were not invited she said that it was not his weekend to have the children and she needed his help with the graduation party and clean-up and did not want him to have to jockey the kids back and forth. My brother says this is a non-issue for him since a round trip to his ex's home would take less than 20 minutes and the ex would not have objected to them attending this party. He is deeply disappointed and feels he has misjudged the level of commitment in the relationship. What is your take on their compatibility? Aren't Leos supposed to be compatible with Libras?

A. Participation in important milestones like celebrating a graduation helps to strengthen bonds especially when there is a strong possibility of blending the families in the not-too-distant future. Inclusion often bridges an awkward gap and sends a welcoming message to a partner's children that their presence at such events is important and cherished. While Leos and Libras are generally agreeable signs (fire and air), a closer look at the personal planets in the couple's charts shows the real truth - that this couple has a very complex set of planets in play. Your brother has Mercury in Leo in harsh aspect to the SO's Mercury and Venus in Scorpio - this configuration could generate intense disagreement at times. Brother also has Venus in Cancer at a degree that lacks harmony with her Sun in Libra. SO's Moon in Aquarius brings challenging aspects to his Venus in Cancer, opposes his Sun and works in hard aspect to her own Mercury and Venus in Scorpio - sometimes it makes her seem detached and impersonal. Mercury describes how the mind works. Your brother's shows that he has a genuine love of children, takes great pride in his offspring, feels wounded when they are slighted, and would never exclude his SO's children from any important event; in fact he may work overtime to see that they feel comfortable in his presence. His Venus in Cancer describes how he loves and nurtures others and Venus describes the

most compatible type of partner or a person he finds attractive. No doubt he wants a woman with affectionate qualities who also demonstrates a love for the family unit as well as compassion and domestic stability. Your brother's SO has a sharp mind (Mercury in Scorpio) that can be very perplexing and sometimes unaccommodating to your brother's Mercury and Sun in Leo - the nature of chemistry. Her Venus is in a sign compatible to his Venus but makes no aspect to it (it goes into a deep hole) and can be somewhat possessive or demanding of his time since Venus also challenges his Sun and Mercury in Leo. No wonder she did not want any imposition like having to pick up and return children to their mother's home on the day of the party. SO's Moon in Aquarius is in almost direct opposition to your brother's Sun, reacts coolly to his Venus in Cancer and doesn't understand his Moon in Pisces often misreading his needs as difficult to satisfy (brother may need to speak up more). The SO has strong fixed sign placements (Scorpio and Aquarius) that appear to clash with your brother's water placements and his own fixed Sun and Mercury in Leo. These two have a lot to discuss and it's time to have the talk about meeting needs and identifying what is or is not working. You did not describe what your brother felt was harmonious in this relationship but I did get the impression he was blindsided by the slight to his children. Did he lobby for their attendance at all prior to the party? Although I do see some areas of compatibility with their earth sign ascendants I feel it will take a lot of work to keep this relationship on an even keel. Time for a consultation.

Q. a) I notice you post your office hours in the newsletters but what happens when one of those days falls on a holiday? Are there any exceptions to the rule such as Sunday or late evening appointments? b) How far in advance do I have to call to schedule an appointment? c) How many birth dates can you cover in an hour or hour and a half session? Is there an extra charge for this work?

A. a) I don't offer appointments on Sundays so any holidays that fall then would be automatically excluded. Normally I schedule office hours to end by 7:00 PM; however, if a client has booked a 6 PM 90-minute appointment then I work until 7:30. A lot of work goes on beyond posted hours of operation. Since I am open 6 days a week most clients are able to schedule a time that works for them. Sometimes I can help a client with a tight schedule by starting earlier on my late start days which are Tuesday, Thursday, or Saturday. I need considerable time both before office hours begin and after they end in the evening to prepare for consultations for the next business day. The time demand makes it impossible to work late in the evening and put quality time into consultation research and preparation. I offer no office hours on the following holidays: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, the 4th of July, Labor Day, Thanksgiving (usually closed the day before and after), and Christmas (closed the day before and after). When I send out monthly newsletters I announce any schedule changes. I do work on most of the legal holidays observed by the federal and state governments and banks such as President's Day, Columbus Day or Veterans' Day. Note the regular office hour schedule posted after this section. If you call outside of regular office hours I will return your call on the next business day.

b) To schedule an appointment either phone me at (703) 825-7235 or send an e-mail message to DeVilleAA@aol.com and let me know what days and times work best for you. I will accommodate your needs as soon as possible. Normally a week in advance works fine depending on the day of the week you choose. Payment via credit card is due prior to all telephone consultations. My schedule varies from week to

week; some clients schedule their next appointment before they leave the current one to ensure that they get their preferred time which often coincides with a future day off - and that day is Friday or Saturday and sometimes Monday for most clients. Government employees or contractors like to schedule on those Monday holidays or their day off as do other clients employed in a variety of industries. Most of my work is done via telephone but clients concerned about traveling in rush hour often prefer to schedule during off-peak commuting hours if they opt for an office visit.

c) A client's questions drive the gist of the consultation and the amount of time it takes me to prepare for it. Base fees cover you, the principal, and all the research and analysis to respond to your questions. If you are requesting extra services such as chart relocation, comparisons or reports, you will be charged an extra fee. When you ask me to analyze and research the birth data of another party I charge \$75 per date to cover the additional hour plus of prep time. Consultation fees have remained unchanged for the last few years; my fee is the same for office or telephone consultations unless you are a first-time client. Your digital record of our consultation is sent to you via e-mail following our consultation; I also send a set of charts to you that I cover during our consultation and include your paid invoice via e-mail.

CONFIDENTIAL to Dating a Doubter: You should not have to pay the price of constant questioning about your whereabouts with the person you are dating just because her last relationship was with a serial cheater and constant "no show." No, I don't think it is too soon to let her know that you find the stalking phone calls annoying. It is important for you to get the point across that the issue is hers and the concern revolves around the behavior of an ex-partner, not you. Encourage her to work on the areas of her life that trigger the obsessive behavior. Communication is essential. Ask her what she would do if the position was reversed and she felt like you did not trust her. Time to talk before you walk. Emotional issues around insecurity often crop up in the lives of Taurus sun signs yet they have the determination to move past them. Give her the opportunity to do so.

Thank you to all who sent in questions and comments about earlier newsletters. I appreciate your feedback on the June issue and welcome your thoughts on this one. Follow me on Twitter@AstroOnDemand for a daily comment and blogs.

QUOTE OF THE MONTH: "To be what we are, and to become what we are capable of becoming, is the only end of life." ...*Robert Louis Stevenson*

OFFICE HOURS

- Monday, Wednesday and Friday: 10 am-7 pm.
- Tuesday: 12-6 pm.
- Thursday: 1-7 pm.
- Saturday: 11 am-4 pm.
- All other hours by special arrangement. No Sunday hours.

Information about the sign of the month is general and may not address the actual activity in your chart. If this is your birthday month or if you are interested in learning more about how the current cycles affect your chart, call me to schedule an appointment for a personal consultation or a coaching session. I work with individuals, business owners, entrepreneurs, executives and decision makers providing guidance

and strategic planning advice in a variety of fields. For a unique approach give the gift of a consultation or a written report to a loved one or associate. Gift certificates are available in the amount of your choice. Refer a friend who could use a new perspective and receive a \$15 discount toward your next consultation. I look forward to hearing from you.

The numerous written reports I offer include a color natal chart: Astro-Talk Complete Natal Interpretation Report, Child Star (intended for the younger set from infant through 16), Friends and Lovers to compare your data with a romantic partner, friend or business partner, Life Progressions which highlight important life stages for the current year or so, Solar Return report which describes the year from birthday to birthday, or Timeline Report that covers a year of transits highlighting how current planets affect your life. You can also give a gift certificate for a personal consultation.

Happy Fourth of July and enjoy the summer,

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