



LIBRA 2015 NEWSLETTER
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Fall arrives on September 23 promising crisp days and a restful night's sleep. Many residents of North America believe that October is the most colorful month of all when autumn's gorgeous landscape appears. Notice the beauty of the multi-hued chrysanthemums blooming in gardens and nurseries; enjoy the pumpkins displayed on neighborhood porches; and buy some crunchy apples for your home-made ciders, pies and robust cakes. Our birthday honoree is Libra the sign that cherishes fall festivities and puts out the welcome mat to host a special gathering. Whether it is a tailgate party or an early fall barbecue you'll find Libras toasting life. They look for ways to find balance in work and play. Turn the tables on them by inviting your Libra celebrants to a sumptuous meal complete with a sweet tooth satisfying birthday cake on their happy day.

CYBERSECURITY: Watch for fake messages coming from scammers asking you to update: banking, ISP, membership and credit card information. These con artists troll the net to get you to part with personal information; some seem "concerned" about your safety; others warn you that they have access to your prison or divorce records; an old scam surfaced again this month asking you to bail out a friend who is stranded in a foreign country and needs your money to pay fines and for airfare home. Contact connections directly when in doubt. Do the same if one of your credit card companies sends you a security warning that they are suspending use of your account ignore it and don't click on the link. Hit the SPAM button. Keep security software updated.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: As I have previously mentioned, my website is available to you at www.astrologyondemand.com if you would like to review prior newsletters. A good amount of information is located there for your use. I add new blog features with trending topics periodically and will likely have presidential candidate information in the coming months. Follow me on Twitter@AstroOnDemand. The winner of August's client drawing was JM who received a \$10 gift certificate good toward a future session; the winner of the September drawing will also receive this award. Be sure to look for Llewellyn's 2016 Annuals: Sun Signs, Moon Signs and Herbal Almanac and others; and the 2016 calendars in stores now.

Important Dates from September 23-October 23

September 23: Fall Begins
September 23: Yom Kippur
September 27: Lunar Eclipse
October 12: Columbus Day

LIBRA'S BIRTHDAY HIGHLIGHTS

Happy Birthday, Libra! Your claim to fame is the sign of relationships where you take great pride in counting your friends and associates and staying in touch with them frequently. You are the second air sign in the Zodiac and Venus is your sign's ruler. Libra is a partnership-oriented sign and claims all that is affiliated with the 7th House of romantic, business, and professional connections, roommates, the public in general, advisors, counselors, diplomats, doctors, lawyers, other experts, and your shadow self. With Venus ruling the energy of your sign many of you seek careers that give you the freedom to put your diplomatic skills to work. You have a way with words and look for opportunities to provide service to clients and customers; you have a knack for organizing social functions and often head up committees for charities or community causes. Many of you have a high creativity gene and make use of your hands in construction or artistic pursuits. Libra strongly affiliates with the Internet, all types of Web communications and networking. You are probably Facebook, Google, LinkedIn or Twitter subscribers. At any rate you spend a lot of time on your sophisticated phones using the data sharing features and staying in touch with contacts in both family and business. You have a strong need to communicate and be heard yet it is important to take a breath and listen to what others have to say. Libras who don't like the tone of a message will often tune it out. Mediation appeals to a significant number of Libras who either incorporate the talent in everyday life or seek out these services when troubleshooting. Creativity in arts, crafts, and decorating appeals to some; competing in sports, coaching or politics attracts others of your sign. Creative avoidance, indecisiveness or procrastination are downfalls yet may be minimized with the presence of a practical moon or strong Mercury in your natal chart. Be sure to solve problems to avoid getting stuck in anger. You don't care for tense situations and chaos so be sure to exercise to relax more and work out the stress. Libra rules the kidneys, pancreas, lower back and urethra. This year the Sun enters your sign on September 23 at 4:21 AM EDT and leaves on October 23 at 1:47 PM EDT.

Your birthday year starts out with Mercury retrograde in Libra in your 1st House and going direct on October 9 - see Planets section below. **Jupiter in Virgo is in your solar 12th house** of the past, self-healing, inner reflection, secret planning and behind-the-scenes activity of all types - getting ready to quit your job, having an affair, launching plans to retire or build up reserves, hospital visiting, widows, orphans, secret enemies, mystical or psychic energy, recuperating after illness or surgery and creating writing, poetry, drama and solving mysteries. Take time to work on your personal and professional goals. Some of you will be doing volunteer work or helping the underprivileged in some way. You aren't very fond of secrets and many could let the cat out of the bag early or be unable to resist dropping a tidbit of information to scoop the item. **Saturn in Sagittarius just moved on September 17 to your 3rd house of communication, siblings, neighborhood activities, equipment, contracts, education and mental outlook. Activity keeps you busy if you are born September 23-October 9 as Saturn travels in positive aspect to your Sun; then**

Saturn goes retrograde on March 25 and delays the action of certain projects or undertakings. The planet goes direct again on August 13. In the 3rd House and in Sagittarius you could find the quality of your communication changing. Instead of being the tactful salesperson or charming message bearer, you could deliver your lines bluntly and firmly shocking or at least surprising many of your contacts. Don't worry, your humor may still shine through but you will give others the impression that you mean business and do not have time to play games. As you get to the point you will use your well-honed diplomatic skills to let the neighbor know that his tree is damaging your fence, tell your sister that she needs to get serious about her career, or your colleagues that they aren't going to meet company goals by taking 2-hour lunches. Some of you may acquire new neighbors in the military or law enforcement fields; may buy a new car or hear from relatives or neighbors more frequently than usual. Be sure to watch what you post on social media outlets to avoid controversial feedback. As others to "unfriend" you if you think the exchanges are out of bounds for your taste and do take precautions with cyber communication. **Uranus in Aries** contacts the solar 7th House of Libras born October 5-18 during 2015-16. Upheavals are certain in relationships and lifestyle. With transiting Pluto in Capricorn making aspect from now through the middle of 2016 you are tackling changes in the household or living arrangements, watching people come and go; gaining independence if that is your quest; or seeking a better paying job if you are in a career-expanding mode. Many of you are sifting through areas that spark changes related to partners, relationships, cooperative ventures, roommates, the public, and professionals such as advisors, doctors, healers, consultants, and attorneys. New health regimens may claim your time and influence your daily routine. Since March of 2012 Uranus has been in your opposite sign in this house so you have met a wide variety of people whose practices and lifestyle do not mirror your own. You have learned much about expression and personal preferences; if you are holding on to any semblance of one-way thinking, be prepared for jolt in your inner circle. If relationship frustration goes to extremes, you may walk away from the angst; if you stay, you will be unable to do so without examining related issues and finding the rationale for staying put whether in the work world or an intimate partnership. See the section under eclipses for further explanations on the dynamics involving the signs Libra, Capricorn and Aries - they continue to play a major role in the coming year. **Neptune in Pisces contacts your Libra Sun in 2015-16 if you are born September 27-October 7 in your solar 6th House of work, health, daily environment, exercise, co-workers, pets, schedules, and nutrition.** You have heard me talk about the aspect called an inconjunct or quincunx and that is what the planet is going to deliver to your Sun for part of the year ahead. This aspect is a shameless stress giver and has no conscience when it comes to making you squirm. You can be sure it will be difficult to be complacent about matters that need your attention. If you are not taking action, you'll get a not so gentle reminder from the normally subtle Neptune that adjustments are the cure to making life run smoothly again. Do not allow the melodrama to upset your life. What do you want to address first in the solar 6th house? Once you decide, go for it and see what a win feels like. The aspect works well if you want to bring some techniques such as meditation, yoga, deep breathing, working out and walking for fitness into your life. Perhaps you want to up your game in the realm of cooking; others enjoy the benefits of holistic healing; while the rest go on a kick to organize the home or office. When Neptune passes through the 6th House, some Libras will find romantic partners or develop a crush on a co-worker if unattached. If your daily environment is toxic in any way you may not realize what you actually have to deal with, so find a steady force

and talk to someone who can help. Remember that Neptune can be tricky and make things look too good to be true, so you may have to do a strong reality check as you expose fraudulent behavior and dissolve a saccharine veneer to see what is really there. **Pluto in Capricorn in your solar 4th House of where you call home, parents, family structures, family in general, base of operation, domestic affairs, real estate and home improvement matters resonates strongly with Libras born October 6-11 in 2015-16. As a member of a Cardinal sign you continue to feel the vibes strongly as will Cancer, Aries and Capricorn in terms of these themes. Household change prevails in your base of operation -- living spaces, family dynamics, property care and real estate matters are likely to dominate.** Again you have to deal with not only Pluto but Uranus in Aries and the eclipses in Aries and Libra that are still close to your Sun and likely to influence many aspects of your life through the end of 2016. Pluto helps you discover secrets as well as personal fear that influence you to make critical decisions in areas that have been on the fence. Many Libras have gone through major emotional adjustments through losses of important people in your lives, discovery of your true needs, and a strong desire for renewal. These realizations can mean that you want a clean sweep and start buying new furniture and giving away household goods to charities and shelters. Be sure to avoid manipulative types and if you find that someone has been taking advantage, put a stop to it immediately or get some help via an intervention as soon as possible. With the 4th House involved, life can be in a demanding cycle for family members as well. Pluto clashes again with Uranus in Aries through the middle of 2016 as it has done since 2011. Stay positive and objective. Enjoy the rebirth in your home base via a new kitchen, roof, flooring or landscaping - it is very energizing.

Eclipses last from 6 months to a year since they take time to develop their influence and can be a factor in your activity for months. I am covering the last two eclipses of 2015 in this section since they occur in September 2015 and the four that occur in 2016 through the end of your birthday cycle. Sometimes you get a feel for what eclipses can do in your chart weeks before they take place. **On September 13 a partial solar eclipse occurred in Virgo in your 12th House of the unconscious, hidden matters, behind-the-scenes activity, regeneration, mystical matters, psychic phenomena, charity, visiting the sick, widows, orphans, or secret enemies.** When this eclipse lands whether or not you are ready it brings the discovery of new or unknown information that needs your attention. The disclosures may involve a few or many parties and somehow you will be deeply involved in letting others know about it and in orchestrating solutions. Shedding light is one facet of this eclipse; it can also add to your personal enjoyment of poetry or novels, stimulate your writing ability, metaphysical gifts for intuiting the truth or peaking your interest in mysteries. It influences your chart strongly through March 8 and probably through spring 2017. **The upcoming September 27 eclipse is a total lunar eclipse in Aries and occurs in your solar 7th house of personal and business partners, the public, roommates, significant others, cooperators, advisors and legal or medical professionals.** This eclipse brings up occurrences that have taken place since April and gives you a chance to review your financial big picture, assess debt, close out accounts, organize files, and clear away what you don't need. If purchasing a home or car is on the horizon, you can determine your buying power. Clutter has to go so maybe your job is to use cloud storage rather than paper files and free up your maintenance time. Be sure to address any relationship issues that remain unresolved or they flair up at unexpected moments.

The first solar eclipse of 2016 occurs in Pisces on March 8 in your solar 6th House of health, daily environment and routines, pets, co-workers, mental outlook, and sense of organization. You will either feel incredibly restless or inexplicably lethargic and inclined to day dream under this influence whether you are in your work or your home environment. But don't get too far into the cave because a solar eclipse is a new beginning and you are going to be directing your efforts to a meaningful change - career, job, retirement, new studies, a different employer, the healing or metaphysical arts, or a nutrition plan that gives you vital energy. The eclipse is also influenced by transiting Uranus in Aries and transiting Pluto in Capricorn so some type of transformation is in the wind. If you are born on or around October 11-12 the influence is very strong so get ready. **The first lunar eclipse of 2016 occurs on March 23 in Libra in your solar 1st House so you get a chance to work on your outlook in life, your personal appearance, drive, entrepreneurial prowess and all things that stimulate passion in your life.** Those of you born September 24-26 experience a very significant year in terms of personal enjoyment, relationships with others, physical body, major lifestyle change, travel, and commitment to a cause or a project. Important revelations come to light; for some Libras it is a wake-up call to pay attention to areas you have pushed aside or did not want to acknowledge. Others realize that a rut is not a good place to be and travel to enjoyable environments. Remember, these eclipses don't care what you are doing; they just land in your life, and have a way of shaking up routines rather quickly and unexpectedly. **The third eclipse of 2016 occurs on September 1, a solar eclipse in Virgo, and looks similar to the one that occurred in September 2015 falling in your solar 12th house of behind-the-scenes activity, solitude, healing for self and others, visiting the sick, creative forces, mysticism, meditation and enjoyment of life's mysteries. This area represents secrets also.** Hard as it is for you as a Libra to be without a partner, you could be contemplating a relationship change while keeping plans to yourself. Matters that you don't want others to know about have a way of emerging so be prepared. If entrusted with corporate secrets be discreet. Enjoy the spiritual value of this eclipse to build your inner resources. **The polar opposite energy-wise of the September 1 eclipse is the last eclipse of 2016 occurring in Pisces on September 16, a total lunar eclipse in your solar 6th House of work and personal environments, health, pets, co-workers, business or home organization, mental health, fitness and food.** Somehow this one is connected to decisions you made from March onward and may be related to procedures in your work place or in enterprises where you play a leadership role. If you are a career advisor, you have a big task ahead with introducing new techniques to interns as well as seasoned employees. Pay and health benefits come into play. Legal partners or significant others weigh in on decisions. Neptune is also in this house and could affect conscious decisions in relationship assessment. Some colleagues may deliberately keep information from you or give vague answers when you need facts. Be a snoop. New technology or security measures play a role in your life this year. Enjoy the momentum of your special birthday year; take inventory of goals and make sure that relationships are on an even keel. Stay in touch with professional, spiritual and medical advisors. A good amount of the material in this section may apply to those born with a Libra Ascendant.

Famous Libra birthdays include: Mickey Rooney, Bruce Springsteen, Barbara Walters, Catherine Zeta-Jones, Michael Douglas, Christopher Reeve, Heather Locklear, Will Smith, Olivia Newton-John, Meat Loaf, Shaun Cassidy, Brigitte Bardot, Gwyneth Paltrow, Janeane Garafalo, Mira Sorvino, Naomi Watts, Hilary Duff, Stacey Kiebler, Bryant Gumbel, Fran Drescher, Jenna Elfman, John Lennon, Bruno Mars, Johnny

Mathis, Julie Andrews, Jimmy Carter, Donna Karan, Lorraine Bracco, Kevin Richardson, Emeril Lagasse, Ashlee Simpson, Neve Campbell, Sting, Tommy Lee, Alicia Silverstone, Susan Sarandon, Paul Simon, Kate Winslet, Elisabeth Shue, Yo-Yo Ma, Simon Cowell, Chevy Chase, Matt Damon, Sigourney Weaver, John Lennon, Luke Perry, Hugh Jackman, Luciano Pavarotti, Kelly Preston, Carrie Fisher, Amber Rose, Paul Simon, Ralph Lauren, Usher, Sarah Ferguson, Suzanne Somers, Tim Robbins, Jean-Claude Van Damme, John Lithgow, and Jeff Goldblum.

SEPTEMBER 23-OCTOBER 22 PLANETS

This cycle highlights **Mercury retrograde in Libra until October 9**; it began on September 17. Most of you have an opportunity to clean up the past by finishing pending projects, researching important information, collecting data and returning old phone calls or answering mail that fell between the cracks. **The second eclipse of the month is a lunar eclipse in Aries on the 27th - the first was on September 13th a solar eclipse in Virgo.** The houses where these eclipses fall in your chart may be a hub of activity through 2016 and beyond. Watch the effects of both the September 13th and September 27th eclipses on weather conditions. As I write this section news broke of a devastating earthquake in Chile that triggered tsunami warnings for Japan, coastal California and Hawaii. Ironically Michelle Bachelet the President of Chile was born on September 29. With an eclipse so close to her birthday and opposite her Sun in Libra, she will be dealing with severe social and economic conditions in her country as well as health issues for those close to her, including relatives. **Jupiter moves at a rapid clip through Virgo** and has the most influence on Virgos born from the beginning of the sign through September 7. Once Mercury goes direct it is a good time to sign up for classes to improve talent or to complete an article you are writing. **Venus, now direct, is in Leo and travels with Mars until Mars moves to Virgo on September 25** where it should spend the next 5 weeks bringing passion and a high activity level to a number of Virgos. Some of you could see the start of a romantic relationship. **Saturn has just entered Sagittarius** where it remains until December 2017. Early born Sagittarians (November 22-24) have the urge to get moving on long-held dreams and savor the power of taking on increasing responsibility. Early-born fire signs and air signs catch the wave and look for ways to promote personal growth and expansion of goals. The U.S. chart receives strong aspects from the upcoming eclipse involving alliances, finances, negotiation, health matters, volatility, the upcoming election and keeping the government open during budget negotiation. Rev up awareness.

As we begin this Sun in Libra report **Chiron is retrograde in Pisces all through the end of the cycle and most affects those born March 7-9 who could experience powerful deep level healing when they let go of fear and embrace true courage. Once you determine what holds you back, you free up energy and enjoy success.** How do you spell relief? **Uranus in Aries** visits the Sun of those born April 7-9 when it connects with you in retrograde motion. Everyone, especially the cardinal signs should check your chart for planets in aspect to 17-19 degrees of Aries for areas of volatility. During this cycle Uranus opposes the Sun around the time that Mercury goes direct and creates challenges with Pluto in Capricorn. Although the aspect may shake up your surroundings and it gives you an internal wakeup call, it begs for reflection rather than making drastic life changes. Work on plans for your future and consider new options. The chief benefit is that Uranus/Pluto clashes favor the breakdown of faulty thinking, stubbornness and rigid barriers in politics, business, and government and on a personal level. Seek counsel and schedule time with a trusted advisor for some strategic

planning. **Neptune resides in Pisces in retrograde motion at 7 degrees through the end of this cycle and affects individuals born February 25-26. Look at your chart - wherever you have these Pisces degrees that part of your life is in a holding pattern and begs for a breakthrough, especially because it is opposing Jupiter in Virgo now; take a critical look at matters connected with home base. Those with water sign ascendants around 7 degrees or the Sun at 7 degrees (Cancer, Scorpio, and Pisces) receive inspiration via memory and spiritual forces; ditto if your rising sign is earth.** The opposition to Jupiter can be confusing but it will put you more in touch with spiritual forces and help you be more compassionate and connected to others. Be objective about current reality and determine what is going on so you can see a situation for what truly exists. Gain perspective by consulting with qualified professionals for options to resolve dilemmas and plan for more stability in future months. **Pluto turns direct in motion in Capricorn on September 25 at 2:57 AM EDT on the Suns of Capricorns born January 3-5.** The rest of us should look at any planets or houses where we have 12-13 degrees of Capricorn. The closer the planet is to a conjunction (around the same degree) the greater the importance. The days around the 25th are intense. While Pluto was in this 6-month retrograde period it made subtle contact with your subconscious but now that it has journeyed over some of the same degrees as last year, you have an invitation to take action and clean house. Pluto also wants you to keep personal and vital information secure and to take no risks in falling for phishing scams or other ruses to obtain access to private matters. Don't fall for "hook" type of e-mails designed to get your goat. You already know which areas in your life require attention. Globally we could see changes taking place in attitudes regarding political and social practices. Lose your fear and go with the flow.

LUNAR/SOLAR CYCLES SEPTEMBER 23 THROUGH OCTOBER 23

September 23: Sun enters Libra 4:21 AM EDT Autumn Equinox

September 27: Full Moon Lunar Eclipse in Aries, 10:50 PM EDT, 4° ♈ 50'

October 12: New Moon in Libra, 8:05 PM EDT, 19° ♎ 20'

October 23: Sun Enters Scorpio, 1:47 PM EDT

PEOPLE, PLACES AND TOPICS IN THE NEWS

Readers have been commenting on how well they enjoy the celebrity chef pieces in the newsletter and asked for more; they also requested additional insight on political candidates and diverse celebrities in the news or on favorite TV shows, including America's Got Talent and Dancing With The Stars (too early for the latter-see next month). Here is this month's sampler.

Please comment on the marriage of Jennifer Aniston and Justin Theroux: The couple's nuptials which took place on August 5 at their Bel Air, CA estate were kept secret from all but a trusted few. Jennifer is an Aquarius while Justin's Sun is in her opposite sign, Leo. They share compatible ties: both have their Moons and Venuses in fire signs, and also the challenging positions of their Mars in fixed signs. Most notable is that his Aries Moon is on her Chiron, North Node and Venus conjunction in Aries, probably a catalyst that helped Justin recover from a 14-year relationship that ended in 2011. It is unlikely that astrology played a role in their wedding planning because Venus was retrograde on the day of their marriage and most astrologers would advise against marrying with retrograde Venus in the wedding chart.

Emeril Lagasse is the well-known star of the Food Network and Cooking Channel who has hosted numerous shows and competitions, authored more than 15 cookbooks, and owns 13 restaurants in the U.S. Emeril, a Libra born October 15 in Fall River, MA, began his cooking career in the Hyannis, MA area. His Sun-Mars conjunction in Libra and Moon in Aries show his high energy level and a stellium of Scorpio planets indicate his determination and will to succeed. It is not surprising that he was nominated for Chef of the Year in 1983, only a few years after graduating from the culinary school Johnson and Wales. After leaving Massachusetts he became Executive Chef of Commander's Palace in New Orleans where he developed his signature Creole and Cajun cooking style and garnered the attention of the media and network TV. Eventually The Big Easy became his home base and is headquarters for his many enterprises. Emeril's laid-back style, entertaining jargon and delicious food have won him many fans. The September 27 eclipse on his Moon in his solar 6th House highlights his new partnership as a recurring co-host on Rachel Ray's talk show. Bam!

Political Picture: The second Republican Party debate took place on September 16. Post debate polls shifted the order of the leading candidates; critics liked the performance of Carly Fiorina although Donald Trump still leads the pack by fewer points and some of the contenders in Tier One have lost their footing for now. Both Rick Perry and Scott Walker dropped out of the race. More contenders will back out in the next few months. No, I still don't think Donald Trump is going to win. Bernie Sanders, like Carly Fiorina is a Virgo; both are receiving a big boost from transiting Jupiter in Virgo so it is not surprising their numbers are moving up in the polls; Fiorina gets a blast through the end of the year. Sanders could be a leading contender at least through the early primaries, while his Sun and other Virgo planets experience the Jupiter conjunction three times when Jupiter goes retrograde and travels over the same degrees multiple times. Joe Biden has not yet joined the race for Democratic candidate and Hillary still leads the polls. Stay tuned.

America's Got Talent (AGT): This show has been on my radar screen and was in the top 5 for ratings all summer as it celebrated Season 10. **Judges:** **Howard Stern**, a Capricorn born January 12 is leaving the show. Viewers could count on his astute eye and ear for picking competitive talent and understanding entertainment trends; his chart is significantly represented by planets in all four Cardinal signs denoting high activity levels and strong decision making; **Heidi Klum**, is a double Gemini born June 1 with mutable signs dominating her chart and giving her an eye for understanding quirky and unusual talent, spotting individuals with acts that belong in Las Vegas shows, and the flexibility to see different sides of performances, even changing her mind on dynamics if new evidence arises : **Mel B** is another Gemini with an incredibly balanced chart representing every sign but Virgo. The talented performer gives credit to those who clearly work to improve their craft and can be both a cheerleader who knows what she likes and a nudger if she see signs of sloppy or unrehearsed execution. Comedian **Howie Mandel** is a Sagittarius born November 29 whose mutable placements and fire sign energy dominate his chart. Howie has an eye for locking on to unique creativity and seems mesmerized by the inner workings of non-mainstream performances, frequently championing the underdog or making points on acts not necessarily preferred by co-judges; he has heart when critiquing acts. **Host Nick Cannon** is a Libra born October 8 and brings ease of delivery, humor, warmth and flash to the AGT stage with every show. Recently divorced from Mariah Carey and the father of twins, he is reportedly dating one of the contestants from season 10. He has a large showing of Libra planets that are currently in the path of upcoming eclipses so life will

be lively and sure to bring new directions for his life. **Season 10 Winner Paul Zerdin** is a brilliant ventriloquist who competed against several electric acts to win the top spot on September 16. Paul is a Leo born August 21 in London with a chart showing that this year's eclipses brought spontaneity and the unexpected into his life - he may have been completely surprised that he took the top honor as he competed against an amazing mentalist and a Regurgitator with an iron cast stomach, both of which were hot contenders for a Vegas stint; the other close competitors were the Craig Lewis Band with their smooth vocals and Drew Lynch a self-flagellating comic who finished in the number 2 spot.

READERS' CORNER

Several readers responded to last month's "Corner" and wrote in to say they had similar experiences with vacations gone bad when they shared quarters with friends and relatives -- all writers admitted they did not spell out details of how costs would be split nor how to spend the time away. Their counter complaints were about loud snoring or children up before 6 AM and disturbing sleeping vacationers; one couple not doing laundry and using the other couple's clean towels; and daily arguments over the day's recreation and how much it might cost - details that could have been worked out before the trip. I had nearly a dozen comments about the kale aficionado from both kale haters and fans and stories about cooks that go overboard with serving the same item multiple ways at the same meal - or several meals. One man wrote that when he was invited to dinner at a particular home he would phone to find out what time the "tuna casserole was going to be served," his way of determining whether he could expect to be served the recurring menu item. A few readers said they laughed out loud at how timely the reader questions were for them last month. A number of readers wanted more information about Saturn returns and saw how the planet affected them and others they know. This month I received diverse questions regarding real estate transactions, partners, and relationships, among the most popular themes of all time. Here are a few that fit this month's Sun Sign theme.

Q. A number of years ago you helped me with a real estate transaction. Now with a marriage of 10 years and two children in the mix (ages 3 and 6), we are ready to move to a larger home. I recall that you said it is important to buy as much home as you can afford to allow for expansion without overtaxing the budget. We live in a home with three bedrooms and two baths. I am interested in buying a new one with four bedrooms and three bathrooms so that we can accommodate guests, play space and hobbies; live in a neighborhood with good schools and amenities that is also appreciating in value. My wife thinks it is overkill and says we don't need more room because we can put guests in with our son or daughter and it is more important to buy a home with a family room instead of a living room this time around. She is afraid of taking on a higher mortgage. I disagree and feel the too small home is cramping our lifestyle and buying a new one with the same or slightly altered space arrangements is going to leave us with the same complaints we have now. We should be able to sell our home and make at least a 20 percent down payment on a larger home. Please give us your opinion - I am a Libra and she is an Aries. We want to spend our money wisely.

A. I had to condense your questions for the sake of space but the gist remains. You and your spouse represent opposites astrologically - Libra to Aries - and sometimes this polarity can create strong differences of opinion where you butt heads over values

and goals. Each of you has had the full gamut of eclipse hits for nearly two years. Your spouse has several Pisces placements so she is also dealing with eclipses in Pisces and Virgo and that is going to continue; you have several Scorpio placements so you have dealt with eclipses in Taurus and Scorpio and the final passing of Saturn on the Scorpio planets. With Virgo on your Ascendant and Saturn, one of the planets affiliated with real estate moving through your 4th House of home and foundation in Sagittarius, it is time to step up and buy the home, especially as interest rates remain low. You have had a happy life in your smaller starter home and the size of your family doubled in the interim. Needs do drive the size of a home yet a home with three bedrooms and two baths in a neighborhood where most homes offer more of each is not going to appreciate at the same rate and is likely to stay on the market longer and be less desirable to shoppers when it is time to sell. You make a good case for buying a larger home and the upgrades you made to your current home should make it attractive to buyers. Current trends in the U.S. show most homeowners providing children with their own bedrooms rather than having them share with houseguests so do look for a home with at least one extra bedroom and bathroom along with any other rooms that fit your lifestyle. Since Mercury is retrograde now, why not use the period to identify at least 3 successful Realtors and schedule meetings with them after October 9 to get a comparative market analysis on your home. Ask each for a marketing strategy were you to list your home. If you have areas around the house to clean up, repair or make cosmetic changes do that before scheduling appointments. Then hang up the sign and start your own house hunting. You can be in your new home by mid-December!

Q. I have a wonderful boss who went through a divorce a couple of years ago. My wife and I have him over for dinner periodically and also invite him to parties and cookouts. We had an end of summer party a few weeks ago and he attended. My wife's mother, also divorced, was in town and they met for the first time. They spent a lot of time talking to one another. Later he asked me to tell him when she is in town again as he would like to get to know her and hoped she enjoyed his company as much as he enjoyed hers. My wife says that if they get together and start dating and it does not work out it may affect my job. I don't see that happening with my boss. He is a Libra and she is an Aquarius. Should I encourage a relationship?

A. Your mother-in-law and your boss have some very compatible planets - the love planets are in favorable aspect as are the other players that enhance a relationship - Moon, Venus and Mercury. For starters their sun signs are in sync. His Moon (understanding) contacts her Sun and his Venus (love and romance) is in positive aspect to her Sun and Mars (passion) in Aquarius. Mars in her chart makes a compatible aspect to his Sun and Mars and her Moon in Virgo falls on his Mercury (communication). Perhaps your wife can pass along his message and put feelers out to her mother that your boss is interested in getting to know her. If she is game your mother-in-law can give her daughter permission to share her phone number with your boss. Since they live less than 300 miles apart they can make arrangements to get together when they are ready.

Q. In summer of 2011 my husband announced that he thought we should separate as we had not been getting along for quite some time. I agreed the relationship had been stressful for at least two years and knew we had drifted apart. He left me on August 2 and moved in with his mother for 7 months before leasing an apartment in March 2012 which he told me he was renting for one year while we sorted out our plans. He continued to support (without a court order) and see our

daughter who is now 12 but never asked for a divorce. Fast forward to 2015; my husband told me on September 17 that it was time to file for divorce because his company is relocating to another city and that means his job is part of the transfer. He wants to settle our property as soon as possible and asked me to obtain an attorney so we can start the process and he can move without unnecessary delays. What do you make of the rush and will we be able to accomplish all this by the end of the year? What is going on astrologically?

A. Both charts, yours in Libra and his in Scorpio have seen significant planetary activity in the past five years compliments of the transits of Saturn in Libra and in Scorpio over your Suns and other planets as well as eclipse aspects that showed both of you that something had to give in the relationship. Often partners with sun in neighboring signs do not last in marriage. The most notable movement I see explains why it has taken so long to move on the separation: your husband moved out on August 2 a day when Mercury went retrograde; he moved into his apartment after his stay with his Mother on March 12 another day when Mercury stationed and went retrograde. Now you tell me that he approached you on September 17 requesting that you settle financial matters and file for divorce as soon as possible. Guess what? Mercury went retrograde at 2:09 PM on September 17. So retrograde Mercury, long affiliated with delays and mix-ups or poorly defined communication, has been a factor in most aspects of activity around your separation. Hopefully you can hire an attorney and follow legal advice while you contemplate your concerns and make requests for support and division of property. Since no divorce action was ever initiated, I doubt the decree will be in effect by the end of the year. Although your husband met the one-year separation requirement mandated by most states when there is a minor child involved in a divorce case, your best strategy is to come to terms with the property settlement, child support and custody agreement and then file for divorce. Your attorney may have knowledge of how to reduce the ultimate waiting time until the divorce is final but you should not rush to sign papers without a full understanding of the consequences for you and for your child. Perhaps you can wait until after October 9 when Mercury goes direct to sign papers and schedule a meeting to resolve the settlement agreement. Good luck!

Thank you to all who sent questions and comments about last month's newsletter. I'm glad you enjoyed Virgo's issue and welcome your feedback once again.



QUOTE OF THE MONTH: *"If there is a way to do it better, find it."* ...Thomas Edison

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