



AQUARIUS 2017 NEWSLETTER **Compliments of** **Alice DeVille**

Did you know that the custom of sending Valentine cards and candy originated in Britain? This holiday became more popular after greeting cards were mass-marketed in the 19th century. Recognition of February 14th dated back to even older traditions including baking special buns and pastries to honor the date. One custom suggests that when young girls looked out the window they believed that the first man who passed by on Valentine's Day would be their true love. We've come a long way from these beliefs but romance is still alive in the hearts of many and there is something about this day that makes us feel special. In whatever way you speak the language of love, you can honor February 14 the most treasured day. The love planets, Venus and Mars, fall in passionate Aries for this year's celebration reflecting the element of fire, creating a sizzle and spark in romance. Be sure to share your sentiments of love and affection with special people in your lives. The Moon in partnership-oriented Libra is perfect for celebrating proposals and marriage. I wish you a Happy Valentine's Day. Our Sun sign honoree is analytical Aquarius, the sign of brilliant moves, sudden events, unexpected surprises and cherished adventures. Bring out the wine and show Aquarius you care by hosting a celebratory meal that features a gourmet dish, a savory appetizer and plenty of reflection on old times over the birthday cake.



ANNOUNCEMENTS: I am receiving inquiries regarding the 2017 Llewellyn Annuals and where to find my articles. I wrote only one this year and it appears in the 2017 Herbal Almanac (*The Secret Ingredient*). There won't be any articles for the 2018 publications. I will keep you posted on future articles. Several readers have read this year's article and reported getting so hungry reading the recipes they started replicating them on the spot. Others said they tried the artichoke appetizer, many of the vegetarian recipes, the savory tomato sauce and the meatballs. A few indicated the latter recipes were very complicated and one reader asked why I gave away my secrets. Thank you for your feedback. I hope you will check out this article to find some helpful information for creative cooking as well as insight into use of herbs and food preparation techniques. Congratulations to M.R. for winning the \$10 coupon for

December's drawing; a 3-month timeline report will go to January's winner who will be notified on the 31st. Those of you who schedule an appointment during this cycle are eligible for this new drawing. Currently I accept payments for services via PayPal (www.paypal.com) where you can use either credit cards or debit cards directly from your checking or savings account at this secure site. You do not need your own PayPal account to pay for your consultations. PayPal notifies me when the fee is paid. PayPal links to my alternate e-mail address, alice.deville27@gmail.com. My phone number is 1-813-374-5398. **Congratulations to M and P on the birth of E on 1/1/2017 - what numerology!**

Cyber-security breaches continue to keep the experts busy tracking them and putting an end to the chaos. The demand is high for those with skills to combat the leaks and keep us safe from theft and intrusion. The fake messages and calls to consumers are increasing, so report them to your vendors rather than opening documents or staying on the line with those seeking personal information. Certain scammers tell you that a virus has been detected in your system; do not take it for granted that it is your data protection service. Be sure your Antivirus software is up to date and check directly with actual vendors rather than following links when you receive these notices.

TO MY READERS: Next month I am going to start posting blogs on my other website, www.alicedevillewriting.wordpress.com. The topics will cover Entertaining, Etiquette, Food/Recipes and Relationships. I hope you'll join me and send feedback and questions as the blogs appear.

DATES TO REMEMBER IN THIS CYCLE, JANUARY 19-FEBRUARY 18:

January 20: Inauguration Day
January 28: Chinese Year of the Fire Rooster begins
February 2: Groundhog Day
February 12: Lincoln's Birthday
February 14: St. Valentine's Day

BIRTHDAY HIGHLIGHTS FOR AQUARIUS

Happy Birthday, Aquarius! Yours is the sign of the Water Bearer, the symbol of humanitarian endeavors and optimism, a strong trait of your air sign. You are the fourth fixed sign of the Zodiac and the natural occupant of the 11th House of associations, friendships, goals, groups, your employer's resources, hopes, global initiatives, leadership in organizations, motivations, mutual interests, new trends, unorthodox methods, wishes, and sudden revelations or change. Uranus is your sign ruler and connects you with others in a variety of social settings adding emerging insight into your sphere of influence. Most people with 11th House emphasis in their charts have astrologers in their lives by birth or via information seeking. Your signature colors are brilliant and electric blues, indigo, most medium blue shades, sky blue, lavenders, ultramarine and accents of bright white. Your sun sign is among the most analytical in the zodiac. Problem-solving and innovation are your strengths especially if you remain flexible to change and release what is not working in a timely manner. You're happiest doing innovative work; many of you are quite inventive; and many Aquarians show commitment to the improvement of relationships in both personal and professional settings. Your sign rules the ankles, blood pressure, calves,

hemoglobin, legs from knees to ankles, shins, body tremors and wrinkles. Aquarius excels at social networking. This year the Sun enters your sign on January 19 at 4:24 PM EST and leaves on February 18 at 6:31 AM EST. Some of the material in the following section also refers to individuals with Aquarius on the Ascendant.

Aquarius, your birthday year starts off with **Jupiter in Libra in your solar 9th House of the higher mind, advanced degrees, educational institutions, health specialists, philosophy, foreigners, publishing, long-distance moves or travel and in-laws where it remains through October 10th.** Jupiter here often brings unexpected as well as planned moves or new options for career advancement, the trip of a life-time; visiting foreign lands or places at a long-distance from your residence. Jupiter may be involved in sudden windfalls or income from a different source. Relocation could be in the cards or you experience more air travel than usual due to evolving life changes and people at a distance. **When Jupiter heads to Scorpio and moves to your solar 10th House of achievement in October,** you get a career boost, change jobs, start a business or find considerable interactions with family and authority people on your calendar. Take advantage of this one-year cycle to change the status quo and follow your dreams. Many Aquarians conduct a relationship inventory to take stock of patterns that limit compatibility while others in your sign go after lucrative financial opportunities. **Saturn in Sagittarius travels through your solar 11th House of goals, wishes, authority or company resources, associations, political connections, dreams, leadership roles, and friendships.** Several Aquarians are dealing with conditions and situations revolving around associates and friends that shifted responsibilities your way. You may be testing solutions to long-standing problems and taking on a new role as overseer of a project or maintenance issue. Family members and your inner circle are in high focus during 2017. The themes of independence and self-sufficiency surge in importance. Someone may need your help in ways you had not anticipated. Saturn points out limitations in situations or relationships and could make you sit up and take notice of conditions where you have had your head in the sand. Be sure to work on long-term goals while Saturn resides in your 11th House. By the end of the year Saturn moves to Capricorn putting you in a more introspective mood. **Uranus your ruling planet is in Aries** all year and energizes your solar 3rd House of communication, education, transportation, mental state, siblings or cousins, technological equipment and local neighborhoods and travel while especially influencing those born February 7-18. You may feel like breaking the rules and stirring the pot to get your ideas across. You have had this planet playing with your mind for 6 years and it is coming down the stretch affecting relationships, how you think, the technology you use and local environments. Some of you are experimenting with values, opinions and your inner core; that means losing sleep for some or going around in circles if you don't get the satisfaction you desire. Keep your mind open to new experiences and people who influence your life in the next few years. By staying positive, you feel centered. Don't bother to press others to adapt to your views - let go and let them cherish what feels best. Some of you interact more with community and neighbors while others hear from siblings, cousins and other relatives. **Dreamy Neptune in Pisces makes strong contact with your Sun if you were born January 27-February 5 while it moves slowly through your solar 2nd House of income, resources, personal assets, and self-development. This connection is not punching you in the face so you may miss its presence if you have no plan to deal with finances, income and personal possessions.** Neptune has been in this house for years and may have affected your ideas about income sources; either you are taking a

sabbatical or have no plan to search for new opportunities or seek raises and promotions. Some of you got out of the rat race and want a less pressure-filled job; and others have plans to retire. Since Neptune affiliates with illusion, you have to be more careful than usual about how you handle money, protect your assets from poor investments or theft and make decisions that highlight solvency. What are the greatest lessons you learned in the past year? Although this aspect to your Sun has a mild connotation if you have no Pisces planets, it creates opportunities to make much needed adjustments to your financial picture and your living arrangements. With aspects to mutable planets the impact is stronger. Seek advisors if making a career move or relocating - Astrocartography sheds light on physical locations that either keep you stuck or energize your life. **Pluto in Capricorn in your solar 12th House of self-healing, introspection, quiet reflection, seclusion, private thoughts, behind-the-scenes-activity, visiting the sick, widows, orphans, secret enemies, and self-assessment most affects those of you born February 6-11 and those with strong Scorpio vibes through the rest of your 2017 birthday cycle.** You could be more secretive than usual and hold on to your privacy or feel uncertain about your plans. With Uranus in Aries in your solar 3rd House clashing with this Pluto placement in the year ahead, you might change your mind a number of times or do absolutely nothing to address the mounting communication problems that exist. What are your goals? Are you ready to disclose them? Some of you may marry secretly, have an affair, or keep plans to yourself because of the fear in your subconscious. It's time to expand your vision and sell your talent and ideas to the proper authorities. Go beyond your dreams and come out of the attic to share your light with the world. What did you learn from major revelations since your last birthday? The meaning of life is unfolding; embrace the emerging perspectives.

Aquarius is one of the fixed signs that is going to be bombarded with eclipses during 2017 and 2018. As we look at emerging trends for you in the eclipse department this year, know that you are still under the influence of the supercharged new moon that took place on **September 1 in Virgo that visited your solar 8th House of loans, income from new sources, debt management, joint funds, psychological matters, inheritances, surgery, and sex, birth or death. This solar eclipse stays prominent through February 26, 2017.** Matters of finance, committed obligations, mortgages, IOU's, intense relationships and motivation have been the center of attention. You can put an end to lingering problems via better communication and insightful solutions. **On September 16 you experienced the last Lunar Eclipse of 2016 in Pisces in your solar 2nd House of income, possessions. This one intersects with the February 26, 2017 solar eclipse.** You are ready to embrace a new chapter or dimension of your life based on previous eclipse energy in Virgo and Pisces that affected security matters. Many Aquarians consider job offers in high focus fields taking location and benefits into consideration, often a perk of an eclipse in your 2nd House. Look at change in a positive light and release tension. Your positive attitude elevates the spirit of those around you. **The first supercharged lunar eclipse of your 2017 birthday cycle begins with the February 10 Full Moon Eclipse in Leo in your solar 7th House of personal relationships. This is a powerful one for you if you have planets near 22 degrees of Leo or Aquarius as well as Taurus and Scorpio.** Look out for those who suddenly become more dramatic or make a proposal that you are not expecting. Whether your relationship has been engaging or you have been on the fence about it, the time has come for action erasing any lingering doubts. This eclipse may apply to both your personal life, your business life or any situation where you have a partnership.

Resulting action could be very sudden. Two weeks later the first **Solar Eclipse of 2017 occurs in Pisces on February 26 in your solar 2nd House of finances, income sources, available resources, job networking, self-development and people affiliated with mortgages and moving.** The impact could be high if you have not been monitoring money matters or have been ambivalent about how you choose to make your living. Everything seems to emerge at once related to communication, investigating odd circumstances related to communication and security, and the missing pieces in the puzzle of life. Investigate the ties to your personal, professional and spiritual goals and analyze your relationship to these matters so that you can better plan how to earn and spend your money or manage investments. You'll have a round of fixed sign eclipses in the fall so get ready to act as follows. **The third eclipse of 2017 occurs on August 7 in Aquarius and falls in your solar 1st House of self, personality, energy, passion, innovation, personal appearance and decision making. The full Moon lunar eclipse stays prominent through February 15, 2018.** This eclipse is equivalent to a new beginning and ties right in with the Chinese New Year, the year of the Fire Rooster in that you desire a new lease on life. Energizing your sun sign means that you are jumping out of the rut and into a new arena of growth. Take advantage of these vibes. For some it means a big appearance change; a wardrobe, a vehicle, a move, a new job, a major goal, a status in life shift and new responsibilities. Sample the banquet. **Two weeks later, on August 21st you experience the last Lunar Eclipse of the year in Leo in your solar 7th House of cooperative ventures, marriage or romantic partnerships, the public, business relationships and advisors/professionals prominent in your life. This eclipse wraps up in January 2018.** Whatever you started during the February eclipses gets a closer look now and leads to scrutiny of one-on-one relationships. Are your needs being met? How about your partner's? The connotation here is one of starting over in some manner. You will be reviewing choices made earlier this year and reflect on the validity of your decisions. No matter what level of discomfort you went through to get to this place the future counts. Embrace your long-term plans and put passion into them as you take the next leg of your journey. Many Aquarians will pursue job offers in new fields or locations and look for lucrative benefits based on qualifications. You're the change agent now so elevate your quality of life.

Famous Aquarians include: Geena Davis, Diane Lane, Mischa Barton, Eartha Kitt, Edward Van Halen, Christian Bale, Ellen Degeneres, Arsenio Hall, Paul Newman, Bridget Fonda, Joey Fatone, Nick Carter, Sarah McLachlan, Edward Burns, Heather Graham, Adam Lambert, Oprah Winfrey, Tom Selleck, Gene Hackman, Phil Collins, Nathan Lane, Vanessa Redgrave, Justin Timberlake, Boris Yeltsin, Lisa Marie Presley, Ronald Reagan, Christie Brinkley, Farrah Fawcett, Morgan Fairchild, Alice Cooper, Natalie Imbruglia, Jennifer Jason Leigh, Bobby Brown, Bob Marley, Natalie Cole, Chris Rock, Garth Brooks, Nick Nolte, Seth Green, Alice Walker, Joe Pesci, Mia Farrow, Laura Dern, George Stephanopoulos, Brandy, Jennifer Anniston, Burt Reynolds, Sarah Palin, Christina Ricci, Henry Rollins, Peter Gabriel, Gregory Hines, Chris Farley, Jane Seymour, John McEnroe, Michael Jordan, Joseph Gordon-Levitt, Rene Russo, Denise Richards, Paris Hilton, Cybill Shepherd, Jean Auel, John Travolta, Matt Dillon, Molly Ringwald, and Vanna White.

PLANETS PLACES FROM JANUARY 19-FEBRUARY 18

The Chinese Year of the Fire Rooster begins on January 28 and ends on February 15, 2018. This lunar new year is Yin and has the element of fire

demonstrating an Aries-like energy. It represents a fruitful time for love and marriage. Several planetary conditions are prominent in this cycle. As I publish this newsletter, not a single planet is retrograde, a rare occurrence. **That will change on February 6 when Jupiter goes retrograde in Libra.** Take note of the house where this occurs in your chart so you know how to direct matters connected with that house. Jupiter stays retrograde until June 9. One example could occur if you are in the middle of a real estate transaction and Jupiter is moving through your 2nd House of finances. If things get stuck, you may have adjustments to make such as an interest rate change or in response to an appraisal report. Jupiter most affects those born October 14-16, as well as other air signs, Aquarius and Gemini. **Mercury went direct earlier this month in Sagittarius** but not before wreaking havoc on the plans of many readers per their prolific feedback: cars on the fritz, lost sunglasses, meeting times moved, ineffective prescriptions, tests rescheduled, snow days, traffic tie-ups and mail that did not reach its destination on time. Now Mercury is in Capricorn until February 8 before moving to Aquarius for the rest of February. **Lovely Venus in romantic Pisces** goes full steam ahead all month; she's going retrograde in March and we'll cover the action in the Pisces Newsletter. Those seriously involved in partnerships may make decisions to marry or get engaged if planetary conditions favor it. **Mars is wrapping up a dash through Pisces before moving into its natural sign, Aries, on January 29** where it remains throughout February. After the Sun moves to Aquarius on January 19th the next new **Moon occurs in Aquarius on the 27th** reminding you of pending contracts and agreements that mesh with your life vision. Now is the time to launch projects you have put on hold, resign from your job, retire, set a wedding date or lead a charge. **Saturn is in Sagittarius now and most affects those of you born December 14-19 in this cycle as well as members of fire signs born 4/12-17, 8/15-20** while opposing the suns of Gemini born 6/13-18 and creating harsh aspects for Virgos born 9/15-20 and Pisces born 3/12-17. **Many later born Aquarians experience a positive** relationship between your Sun, Saturn and Uranus making you feel more grounded and able to tackle annoying problems. The aspect is strong during February so take advantage of emerging opportunities and start new trends. **Uranus in Aries trines Saturn now and continues in challenging aspect to Pluto in Capricorn through 2018. Once Jupiter goes retrograde in Libra and creates an opposition the focus should be on your personal growth.** If you have planets at the 20th - 21st degree of the cardinal signs Capricorn, Aries, Cancer and Libra, please note the house placement of these transits. Issues of integrity and human rights come up strongly between now and early June. Forums for discussion and meetings seem abundant; for individuals, it is time to take care of unfinished business. Stay tuned in to what happens and flag any confusing messages. Don't let anyone answer for you if the gist could be misinterpreted. Globally, issues of civil unrest occur calling for innovative solutions. Those born April 10-12 or January 9-12 feel the impact the most. **Neptune (in Pisces until 2026)** most affects those born February 28-March 1 this month highlighting a time of inspiration, a desire to dispel confusion and a look at spiritual connections. Neptune loves mysteries and is always up for solving them along with adding intrigue to the mix. February has a significant number of planets in Pisces and Aries. This lineup brings wet weather conditions - either wet snow or rains and a sudden thaw that releases floods (Pisces) while Aries planets relate to fire, assertiveness and irate temperaments, even war-like vibes. **Chiron is direct in Pisces and most affects those born March 10-13 who embrace a powerful healing vibe, an awakened consciousness and release of fear. The Wounded Healer aids in redirecting truth about people and situations you have faced.** Once you process the grief or concerns you experience long-lasting relief. If you

were **born with Chiron in Pisces** check the house where it resides so you can experience the best solution for dissolving stuck energy. **Pluto in Capricorn resides at the 17th and 18th degree this month** most affecting those born January 6-9 as well as other cardinal signs Aries (April 6-9), Cancer (July 7-11), and Libra (October 9-12). Where Pluto falls in your chart represents opportunities to release unwanted baggage; shed karma; dispose of fears; claim your power and experience regeneration in important life phases. **On February 10 the first lunar eclipse occurs in Leo at 22°**. Many individuals already feel the impact of this eclipse which has been looming large for the last few weeks. Leos, Aquarians, Tauruses and Scorpions feel the impact, especially if born the last third of their sign or have planets near this degree. Globally it highlights welfare programs and benefits that especially affect the workforce; some female rights could be in the mix, and gender preferences again affect bathroom privileges. Middle Eastern Gulf States could be in high focus as well as the leadership of France (both the President and Prime Minister are Leos). Stay tuned.

LUNAR/SOLAR CYCLES

January 19: Sun enters Aquarius, 4:24 PM EST

January 27: New Moon in Aquarius, 7:06 PM EST 8° 15'

February 10: Full Moon in Leo, 7:33 PM EST, 22° 28' - Lunar Eclipse

February 18: Sun enters Pisces, 6:31 AM EST

PEOPLE, PLACES AND TOPICS IN THE NEWS

Acting Awards' season is underway until the end of February and mail is coming in related to winners and nominees. Individuals listed below have received Golden Globes awards. Many are hoping for Oscar nominations, an always competitive annual event that takes place on February 26th this year. Readers asked about President-elect Donald Trump, his relationship with Vladimir Putin, the Inauguration Day chart and what to expect from his administration. I am also featuring a write-up on a popular celebrity chef who celebrates an Aquarius birthday.

Celebrity Standouts: The individuals listed here are among the talented winners of the 2017 Golden Globe Awards. Space does not permit me to include the many talented actors from TV shows who received awards. See if you agree with the selections: **Casey Affleck:** Best Actor, Drama, Manchester By The Sea; Leo born August 12; **Ryan Gosling,** Best Actor, Musical or Comedy, "La La Land" Scorpio born November 12; **Isabelle Huppert:** Best Actress in a Drama, for Elle, Pisces born March 16; **Emma Stone:** Won Golden Globe for Best Actress in a Musical or Comedy for "La La Land"; Scorpio born November 6; **Viola Davis:** Best Supporting Actor in any movie, Fences, Leo born August 11; **Aaron Taylor-Johnson:** Best Supporting Actor in a Motion Picture, Nocturnal Animals, Gemini born June 13; **Damien Chazelle,** won both Best Director of a Motion Picture and Best Screenplay for La La Land; Capricorn born January 19; **Moonlight** won Best Motion Picture, Drama; **La La Land** won Best Motion Picture, Comedy or Musical; **Meryl Streep** Won the 2017 Cecil B. DeMille Award for Lifetime Achievement, Cancer born June 22. Looks like Leos and Scorpions dominate this list with 2 from each sign and 1 Pisces, 1 Gemini, 1 Capricorn and 1 Cancer. Water signs dominate with 4 winners from their element. Who will win the Oscars? Stay tuned!

President Donald Trump. To truly answer all the questions that came in would take a couple of newsletters and then some, so here is a summary for the man who won the

Electoral College vote and becomes our 45th President on January 20th. Will he continue to tweet - you bet - some pundits are already calling him the “Tweeter-in-Chief.” An eclipse in Aquarius opposite Donald’s Ascendant on August 18, 2016 (yes, I know some did not agree this was an eclipse) gave the candidate greater prominence on the campaign trail and three eclipses this year will dominate his actions as President, one on February 10 is on Mars in his natal 12th House; the August 7 Eclipse in Aquarius hits natal Ceres (this asteroid will be very prominent in the US chart in coming months) in his 6th House of daily work and shows that women’s and children’s rights, all matters to do with nurturing (think medical care) and enabling legislation are on the agenda. Simultaneously, this eclipse opposes his EQ (release point in his 12th House of behind-the-scenes activity, the unreleased tax returns, enemies and secret communication); and the August 21 solar eclipse in Leo is exactly on his Ascendant and Mars degrees. Note that most of the individuals he has nominated for cabinet posts do not favor or support the government agencies they have been selected to head. The prominence of Mars could be the key to what President Trump’s administration reflects. Mars is the signature of strong ties to the military, of warring factions, anger issues and links to individuals considered enemies of the country. Yes, he and Putin have chart connections as do some of his cabinet nominees; yes, the Russians hacked us, and yes, they hacked him also. Some astrologers have constructed a new chart for Mr. Trump relocating him to Moscow to see how his chart aspects relate to Moscow - think oil - and think Rex Tillerson who has a strong friendship with Putin. As for the Inauguration Chart, it is always set to 12 Noon in Washington, DC on January 20th unless Inauguration Day falls on a Sunday. Rarely have the inaugurations started on time and some have been almost an hour late; the times selected by Presidents’ astrologers have always been later, but JFK’s was delayed to 12:51 PM creating an ascendant and descendant with fated degrees that no doubt factored into his assassination. You can be sure astrologers will look for the exact time the 2017 inauguration occurs and amend the chart as needed which has a Taurus Ascendant and Dark Moon Lilith in the 7th House of the public. The Inauguration chart reflects the activity and agenda for next four years. The 2017 Inauguration Chart is comparable to that of John F. Kennedy’s and Richard Nixon’s second inauguration chart where neither man finished his term of office. Don’t read more into that than need be - Ronald Reagan had a difficult second inauguration chart and lived through it even though he had to deal with the Iran-Contra scandal. This year’s chart has significant challenging aspects and a few beneficial ones. Down the road, I will elaborate more on the findings. Things are not always what they seem. Now is the time to unite in hope that our beautiful Nation meets the needs of all the people.

The Deaths of Carrie Fisher and Debbie Reynolds: The entertainment world and legions of fans of these two actresses were shocked to see their deaths occur so close together. Condolences poured in from all over the globe. Carrie was a late-born Libra (October 21) who struggled with addictions and bi-polar disorder and Debbie was an Aries with a fortunate birth chart that brought her early success in entertainment (April 1) yet she worked into her 80’s after her assets were spent without her consent by predatory ex-husbands. These women had strong bonds and overcame challenging periods in their relationship, living next door to one another for years. The bond that united them most was the beautiful asteroid, Ceres, the Mother Goddess, who linked their charts to the end of their lives. Debbie’s Ceres fell on Carrie’s Ascendant in Capricorn; Carrie’s Ceres in Aries fell on her Mother’s Sun. A special long in the works

about Carrie and Debbie aired a week after their deaths and no doubt brought many a tear to fans of Princess Leia and The Unsinkable Molly Brown. Rest in Peace.

Marc Murphy: This visionary Aquarian chef, born on February 6 in Milan, Italy, is known for adding extra flourishes to even the simplest dishes. Before he turned 12, Marc lived in a variety of cosmopolitan destinations including Milan, Rome, Paris, Washington, DC, and Genoa that served as appropriate catalysts for his specialties, French and Italian cuisine. A graduate of the Institute of Culinary Education, he has worked with world-renowned chefs including Alain Ducasse and has owned several NYC restaurants including the elegant Landmarc and the beach-style cuisine he offers at Ditch Plains in the West Village. Marc appears on numerous Food Network shows including The Best Thing I Ever Ate, Chopped, Iron Chef America, Guy's Grocery Games, Beat Bobby Flay and Worst Cooks in America. You'll often find him guesting on The Today Show or collaborating with Martha Stewart as well as appearing on Rachael Ray's Talk Show in venues where he shares succulent recipes and judges the work of other chefs. Marc's chart is a balance of fire, earth, water and air signs and shows his preference for balanced measurements, analysis of compatible ingredients and recipes that exceed the taste test. Marc's chart shows Mercury and the Sun in Aquarius and a Pluto Moon conjunction in Virgo along with several planets in Aries, Libra and Scorpio. With Uranus striking his natal Saturn in Aries Marc is in the process of closing his Florida restaurant, Grey Salt at the Seminole Hard Rock Hotel and Casino. Respected by his peers, he is the President of the Manhattan Chapter of the New York State Restaurant Association. In addition to his notable restaurants, Marc presides over Benchmarc Events his successful signature catering company.

READERS CORNER

February is the proverbial month of love and most of the questions that came in this month involve love and romance in relationships. Readers searched the web for articles on astrology and its relationship to love. Some readers referenced the collection of articles I have written on the topic over the years and cited those on Soul Mates on the StarIQ.com site, Astral Hearts, famous quotes and Llewellyn.

Q. I am looking for an engagement ring from my boyfriend. We have dated for more than two years, talked about getting engaged last summer and then the topic never seemed to come up again. What are the chances of a Valentine's Day proposal? I am Aquarius born January 1989 and he is Sagittarius born December 1987? I appreciate your feedback.

A. Thank you for contacting me. As I mentioned in my private response to you, it is wise to have your charts interpreted and examined for compatibility and timing that are outside the general response I can provide here. Your partner is in the middle of a Saturn return which occurs every 28-30 years. With Mercury, Saturn and Uranus in Sagittarius and Saturn transiting the degrees of these planets now, it appears your friend is working on debt reduction and making career adjustments. The aspects in his chart are not good for purchasing an engagement ring and adding to his debt load. By the end of December, he should be in a different place and can move forward if that is agreeable to both of you. Enjoy a special date and the beautiful romantic vibes of Valentine's Day 2017. I hope this information is helpful to you.

Q. What trends do you see in the coming year that affect how others bond in relationships? What houses or planets are involved?

A Your complex question is perfect for responding by creating a series of examples for each of the houses. Why? We all have natal charts with 12 houses or departments of life and that means that all planets claim their places in our chart during the year to greater or lesser degrees. As we move full on into 2017, we have the perfect opportunity to take inventory of relationships. What comes to mind when you hear the word relationship? Most individuals think of emotional or other connections between people. Others mention spouses, significant others, relatives, co-workers, bosses, neighbors and friends. The dictionary contains a broad definition: "a connection, association or involvement between or among things; the relation between cause and effect." In 2017 Jupiter occupies Libra, the balance-seeking sign affiliated with relationships, stability and expansion. Let's take it from the top.

House One defines the Relationship You Have With Yourself: To get along better with others you have to start with you and how you feel on a personal level. Roughly one-twelfth of the population will be looking at improving self-image by building a better relationship with self-confidence and expression. Do you feel like others take advantage of you and you say "yes" when you really mean "no?" Maybe better communication would help. Make use of phrases like "That won't work for me," "Let me think about it and get back to you," or "I'm already booked."

Perhaps being an inventive go-getter is a long-held desire to give you independence and upward mobility in the world. Create goals and a written timetable and watch the magic happen. Don't like your looks? The "new you" could be seeing enhancement from cosmetic surgery to remove the bags and jowls; laser eye surgery to ditch unflattering eyeglasses and contact lens maintenance; or a weekly Pilates session to stretch away the bulges and tone up. What planets are at work here? If you said Mars (physical exercise, energy), Mercury (communication and self-talk) and Neptune (glamor, cosmetic surgery, a facelift) you are correct. More next month.



Thank you to all who sent in questions and comments about previous newsletters. I'm glad you enjoyed the issues and welcome your thoughts again.

QUOTE OF THE MONTH: *"The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams." Eleanor Roosevelt*

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Information about the sign of the month is general, is based on solar charts and may not address the actual activity in your natal chart. If this is your birthday month or if you are interested in learning more about how the current cycles affect you, call

me to schedule an appointment for a personal consultation or a coaching session. 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.

Happy Valentine's Day,

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