

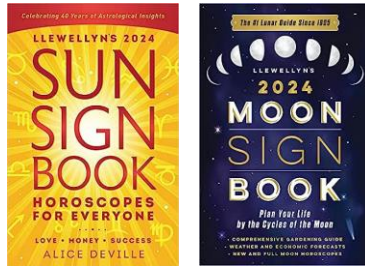
LEO 2023 NEWSLETTER Compliments of Alice DeVille

After mid-July most of us are ready for the fun and games we enjoy the most. Constraints over the last few years make most Leos eager to take off for the beach, the mountains, or amusement parks to embrace a festive atmosphere. They love their vehicles yet gasoline prices could influence this year's destiny. People gravitate toward Leos because of the animation they add to social events. Tempt them to ditch their workaholic tendencies for a bit and join loved ones to properly celebrate their birthday. Make reservations for your party-loving Leo at a favorite restaurant or create a visual feast complete with personal touches that reflect the impeccable taste of your favorite lion or lioness. You hit the mark if you surprise Leos with unusual gifts, music and entertainment. Capture Leo's magnanimous heart with thoughtful gestures, and you'll be elevated for life in the Lion's esteem. Order Leo's birthday cake to reflect a custom theme, artistic touches, and delicious flavors that will spoil your honoree's palate.

THANK YOU for the many cards, gifts, flowers, and birthday greetings you sent. I appreciate your thoughtfulness and cherish our relationships and the happiness they bring. I enjoyed every moment of the celebrations I experienced over several days.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Congratulations to CM for winning the June drawing, a \$20 gift certificate to use toward a future consultation or report. All clients who book a consultation of one hour or more during the Leo cycle are eligible for this drawing. A birthday shout-out goes to WP, JA, CC, RR, DS, NS, JB, TG, MP, DS, CK, EB, MF, SW, GS, HV, KW, JP, CP, SR, LK, JW, CF, JL, and CW. **Cyber threats** accelerate by leaps and bounds and extend to all age groups. Ageism is trending now with many cons targeting the seniors by discriminating in job consideration, disregarding advertised discounts by failing to deliver on them, escalating the price of auto and home insurance, and ignoring restaurant discounts for seniors dining out. Avoid persuasive telephone come-ons; hang up fast. Be wary of messages that say you won a \$500.00 Gift card. This year marks my 25th anniversary of writing articles and books for Llewellyn Worldwide, Inc. and I have enjoyed our long association and the work I have done for various publications. The 2023 Sun Sign Book and the 2023 Moon Sign Books are on sale now at Llewellyn, www.llewellyn.com, Amazon.com, or your favorite bookseller. I hope you pick them up and enjoy the material. Kindle versions are available, too.

Llewellyn Moon Sign and Sun Sign Books are also on sale for 2024. I am the principal author of the 2024 SUN SIGN BOOK. I also have a feature article in the 2024 MOON SIGN BOOK, “Eclipses Through the Houses.” Check for annuals and calendars at your favorite bookstore or order online from www.Llewellyn.com or Amazon.com.



LEO'S BIRTHDAY HIGHLIGHTS

Happy Birthday, Leo! You have the personality and the mindset to have fun and celebrate life intensely and passionately. Your sign often produces two distinctly different personalities - the quiet, reserved “cat” or the roaring “lion”. Which model fits you? As a member of Astrology’s royalty, you feel at home with striking furnishings, statement-making jewelry, and decorator touches in your everyday environment. You know how to make utilitarian office space into an upscale throne room where you showcase photos, citations, and awards. Bold color appeals to you with a preference for jewel tones including majestic purple, deep jade, magenta and striking blues. Along with a dazzling personality you bring drama and excitement to relationships with your family, children, friends, romantic partners, and associates. The Sun’s rulership of your sign brings life to your solar 5th House of adventure, children, dating and social activity, entertainment, fun, games, lovers, freelance employment, sports, exercise, romance, including engagements, speculation, risk-taking, and entrepreneurial ventures. Your unique profile meshes with your exciting personality in displaying the qualities most affiliated with Leo: entertaining, excelling at challenging projects, leadership, and showing loyalty to others. Planets that show up in your 5th house describe the complex emotions, love relationships, risk-taking, temperament and the gamut of creative and recreational activity that interest you. Yours is the second fixed sign and the second fire sign of the Zodiac. Leo rules the back, blood, circulatory system, heart, spine, and metabolism. Protect your body.

Take the time to release your blocked emotions to stay healthy and able to beat the side-effects of medicines that throw your equilibrium off balance. Choose prevention and breathe deeply. Avoid insensitive people who often bruise your ego, until you deeply feel the pain. Leos are the prototypes of cats and kittens who become dedicated parents, adept at directing children’s interests and sharing their accomplishments with others. You’re happy when you generously spend money or salary increases on people you love. After leaving behind as many of the painful setbacks associated with economic conditions, including runaway inflation, illness, or job loss, you’re ready for a fresh start in 2023-24. Generate new prospects that manifest optimism. This year the Sun enters your sign on July 22 at 9:50 PM EDT and leaves on August 23 at 5:01 AM EDT.

Your birthday year begins with Jupiter in Taurus in stressful aspect to your Sun if you were born July 28-August 9 in your solar tenth house of career, status

quo, ambition, leadership, strategic goals, and family matters. This transit suggests that you demonstrate your ability to take charge of problems that arise in the employing organizations, manage teams, bask in the recognition that comes your way, and accept either a promotion, a new assignment, or change jobs if a more attractive offer comes your way. Since Jupiter is a prominent outer planet in your important tenth house, it will also come in contact with transiting Uranus in Taurus if you are born August 7-18. Jupiter will be in retrograde motion from September 4 until December 30 when it turns direct and completes its tour in Taurus before moving to Gemini on May 25, 2024. Develop solid career plans while the planet of expansion offers opportunities for upward mobility via leaderships skills. Enjoy both your salary increase or bonuses that result in an improved financial picture while Jupiter is in Taurus. **Currently Saturn is retrograde in Pisces through October 23, traveling through your solar 8th House of personal and business assets, debts, savings, loans, joint financial ventures, estates, wills, and windfalls. Seek help from legal experts, should you need it during this cycle.** Pay attention to anything that seems out of sync in your relationships, especially since you recently experienced Saturn in Aquarius opposing your Sun. If losses occurred, examine all aspects of it and consult with a related expert to discuss the flow of events and solution options. Saturn's retrograde period in 2023 is June 17 through November 4, dates which most affect Leos born July 23-August 1. Examine the quality of relationships as they relate to financial matters, determine what you value about them, and note what you dislike. After clarifying, decide what you are willing to do about the problems and discuss differences with business or personal partners. Saturn either brings relief if discomfort can be worked out or leads to a divorce or dissolution of a partnership. Make uplifting affirmations to rekindle positive feelings. Commit to a healthier financial plan for a more balanced partnership. Assess your options if you aren't on the same page. Take action. After six years, **Uranus remains in Taurus as a guest in your solar 10th House of career, ambition, authority, or life status, and brings the unexpected to the career and leadership sector of your chart.** No doubt you have become familiar with Uranus creating sudden shifts in activity that throw your secure work environment out of balance. This year's chaos creates upsetting conditions employment stability, leaders at the top of your organization, and the rising cost of goods and services including gasoline, food, clothing, housing and health care. Money is tight in this recovery year, driving people to leave their homes and their jobs. While you are dealing with the aftermath of environmental changes and availability of resources in your work world, your boss is looking for ways to fund projects, pay salaries, and retain quality staff to get the job done. How has your routine changed? What are conditions like since early 2020? Have your responsibilities changed? Be sure to use your sharp problem-solving skills. With Uranus in this 10th house through 2025, you may have changed jobs this year or are planning for a change. That can happen more than once. Note that your assets are likely to be in high demand. Authority figures are in the limelight, too, and could resign, get fired, or start their own business. Attention centers around family status, too. **Leos born August 6-8** felt the most tension from the Scorpio eclipse on May 5 and from the upcoming October 28 eclipse in Taurus that affects Leos born July 28-30 through the end of 2023. For the next year it will keep you on your toes. **Uranus started 2023 retrograde in Taurus, went direct on January 22, and will turn retrograde again from August 28-January 27, 2024.** Timing issues may exist around promotions or awards in the employment arena. Some Leos could see a change in your marital status, along with unexpected health treatments for you or a parent. Schedule appointments to seek second opinions from medical and legal experts related

to self and family. The biggest lesson you can learn from a Uranus transit is to stay flexible. Uranus expands opportunities yet won't be gentle if you are in a state of denial about actual conditions in your life. If your boss has been an oppressive force, make plans to leave their employment. Shop your resume in favorite or new networks. In the interim, add comedy, sports, and entertainment venues to your daily routine.

Neptune in Pisces moves through very late degrees of the sign and contacts the Suns of Leos born August 15-21 from now through the end of your birthday cycle in your solar 8th House of transformation, deep thinking and perception, psychological influences, detection skills, inner analysis and healing, debts, joint funds, mortgages, loans, credit cards, estates, insurance, surgery, and travel on the causal plane as well as birth, sex, death, and regeneration. Neptune travels in retrograde motion this year from June 28-December 6 often leaving you feeling dazed, confused, and queasy over making decisions. No doubt you'll question your deepest emotions and impending changes you would like to execute. When intense encounters drain you, especially if you and a partner are stuck in resolving issues between you, be sure to engage in open, straightforward conversation to clear up misunderstandings. If you're keeping secrets, they could be indiscreetly revealed since Neptune can be manipulative. The 8th house deals with joint finances so address financial matters openly instead of ignoring the problems. Daydreaming is a nice respite to your headaches, but won't work now if you are losing ground in arguments. Tackle impulse spending and racking up credit card debt. Shed the excess weight that represents the baggage you hope to unload. Truth relieves your mind, overeating hides the truth. Neptune moving through the 8th House often manifests an intimate partner with the ideal qualities of your soul mate, your true love. If you have been suffering in body and spirit, you're likely to find healers who specialize in energy work and implement treatments that work best for you. Choose practitioners who display the highest form of spirituality and integrity. Assess both personal and business partnerships carefully by examining joint funds and expenses. Seek advice from your astrologer when sifting through Neptune's fog to make sure the situation is far less attractive than it actually sounds. Read that fine print to prevent delays or do-overs. Progressed planets and transits help you select advantageous dates to pay off debt. Protect assets using Cybersecurity practices. Neptune moves only 4-5 degrees per year and remains in Pisces until 2025 allowing time to save for your financial future and invest wisely. Give trust and estate matters a thorough review and update your will if necessary. Scrutinize contracts carefully.

Pluto in Capricorn in your solar 6th House of work-related matters, health, pets, organization, and nutrition, connects most strongly with Leos born August 20-22, where it is creates the stressful inconjunct aspect throughout your birthday cycle, suggesting that you evaluate the environment in your work place, update your resume, and closely examine your daily schedule. Pluto makes a short teaser journey into Aquarius and your solar seventh house starting March 23, turns retrograde on May 1, moves back to Capricorn on June 11, and completes its retrograde cycle on October 10. During this time use the lull to rework plans and goals, give serious consideration to a job change if you are feeling stuck, and release the disruptive vibe that has been around you for the last few years. Pluto may move slowly, but this transit manifests shakeups in the status quo and highlights the flow of your daily routine. Connections to your work world and colleagues need attention. Examine links to your personal health, pets, the efficiency of appliances and technology, and the existing organizational routine. Written materials could be very important aspects of current reality based on other aspects and the location of planets in your natal chart. Stay sharp and use problem-solving

strategies to improve conditions in the home or work environment. Be proud. Previously unknown issues are likely to surface, some of them connected with members of your team and their attitudes toward work. If you visit medical experts for diagnoses of health issues, obtain second opinions and start a new health maintenance program. Pluto in this house may be conducive to a change in leadership or an exodus of team members whose absence affects your schedule by increasing your workload. Focus on health or work areas that need attention. Develop a new approach in assessing details. Discard rigid habits and learn to welcome more balance in your daily routine that includes fitness, fun, better nutrition, and leisure activities. Newly established work routines generate revised priorities over the next six months. Make use of available skills and resources to promote optimism for the rest of 2023 and 2024 when a new Pluto cycle occurs in your solar 7th house late in 2024. If you desire it, go after a leadership position in coming months.

This Year's Eclipses affect you as follows: You'll experience four in 2023 - 2 solar and 2 lunar eclipses that create tension in fire, earth, and water signs. Two eclipses fell before your 2023 birthday in Aries and Scorpio, in April and May 2023. Their energy still affects you until October. The first new Moon eclipse fell in your solar ninth of the higher mind, advanced education, foreign countries and cultures, in-laws, philosophy, religion, publishing, and long-distance travel in Aries at 29° ♈ 50' on April 20. You could be dealing with a job transfer or a temporary relocation to another work site that could not be implemented last year. Leadership skills will serve you well in a challenging work environment. You may also enroll in a new degree program that was delayed due to funding issues. Take some down time to assess your options. Consult with a mentor and revise your resume if you are considering a career change. Enjoy the next steps. Two weeks later on May 5th the first full moon lunar eclipse occurred at 14° ♋ 58' in your solar 4th House of family, parents, home base, conditions in your home and physical structure. Look at your natal charts and any planets in it or affected by the degree of this eclipse. Take the time to bond with family who lives with you, encourage strong rapport with residents, or work on home improvement or redecorating projects to elevate the look of your home, something a Leo cherishes. Review the compatibility of residents of this house. Eclipses begin to take effect months before they actually hit; transits over their degrees start the wheels in motion for the events that unfold in your chart; activity I describe in this section may last through the end of 2023 and into 2024. Other eclipses that affect your birthday year include the October 14 Solar Eclipse in Libra at 21° ♎ 08' in your solar 3rd House of communication, contracts, education, local travel, neighbors, siblings, technology related to business equipment, and methods of transportation. With eclipses occurring in this house, you may feel overwhelmed as you experience a revolving door of visitors to your home or office. You could use a new method of commuting to work, or move closer to your workplace. If you are shopping for a new vehicle, this could be an excellent year to make a purchase. Negotiate wisely. Volunteer in your community. On October 28th, the last lunar eclipse of 2023 falls in Taurus at 5° ♉ 09' in your solar 10th House of career, authority, ambition, leadership, organizational direction, prestige, and life status. With transiting Uranus in Taurus also in this house during your birthday cycle, you can expect conditions to change with little warning related to your employers, family, peer group, and career structure. Elevate your confidence in your talent when authority figures offer promotions, temporary assignments, or leadership of a

prestigious project. If you were born around July 28-30, this eclipse may challenge you tremendously as you interact with new networks, contacts, and mentors in your work environment. Taurus' influence stays powerful through spring 2024. **Two more eclipses fall before your 2024 birthday cycle. The first solar eclipse of 2024 takes place on March 25 at 12:13 AM EDT in Libra at 5°♎07' in your solar third house of communication, the quality of your mind, education, local travel, your neighborhood, siblings, and various forms of transportation.** Keep your sense of humor handy since an eclipse in this house can be demanding and keep you on your toes with problems to solve and decisions that need your attention. Welcome new neighbors and mend fences with people with whom you have strained relationships. Make vacation plans with siblings. After looking over options, make plans to buy the new vehicle you want. Look over the sales contract for this purchase or for other contracts under consideration that affect your personal and business life. Enroll in classes that complement your work. **Two weeks later on April 8, the first solar eclipse of the year takes place in Aries at 1:34 PM EDT 19°♈24' in your solar 9th House of higher education, long-distance travel, foreign countries or cultures, languages, philosophy, religion, legal matters, and relocation.** People connected to this house could require a great deal of time and energy as you get used to new norms and strengthen bonds with colleagues or relatives at a distance. If you are a writer, set time aside to work on publications. In case you receive a new job offer and want it, make sure your resume is up to date. This section may also relate strongly to those of you born with a Leo ascendant, Moon, or several planets in Leo. If your birthday or a planet falls on an eclipse degree, it is particularly powerful. Savor the healing vibes of your heart during this birthday year.

Famous Leos include: Slash, Monica Lewinsky, Daniel Radcliffe, Prince George, Woody Harrelson, Jennifer Lopez, Matt LeBlanc, Dorothy Hamill, Kevin Spacey, Mick Jagger, Sandra Bullock, Jonathan Rhys-Meyers, Jamie Pressly, Arnold Schwarzenegger, Laurence Fishburne, Christopher Nolan, Lisa Kudrow, Wesley Snipes, Jerry Garcia, Yves Saint Laurent, Edward Furlong, Soulja Boy, Dustin Milligan, Zach Parise, Elizabeth Berkley, Lori Loughlin, Sally Struthers, Martha Stewart, Martin Sheen, President Barack Obama, Steve Martin, Billy Bob Thornton, Loni Anderson, Ericka Slezak, Viola Davis, Evangeline Lilly, Charlize Theron, David Duchovny, Dustin Hoffman, Gillian Anderson, Melanie Griffith, Whitney Houston, Jim Davis, Darryl Hickman, Antonio Banderas, Hulk Hogan, Casey Affleck, George Hamilton, Julie Newmar, Steve Carrell, Danielle Steel, Jennifer Lawrence, Halle Berry, Magic Johnson, James Cameron, Ben Affleck, Debra Messing, Angela Bassett, Kathie Lee Gifford, Madonna, Robert De Niro, Sean Penn, Christian Slater, Dennis Leary, Edward Norton, Robert Redford, John Stamos, Tipper Gore, Bill Clinton, Matthew Perry, Connie Chung, Amy Adams, Isaac Hayes, Slobodan Milosovic, Kenny Rogers, Giada De Laurentis, and Tori Amos.

PLANET ACTIVITY FROM JULY 22-AUGUST 23

Check planetary activity for the next month, beginning with **Mercury in Leo which moves to Virgo in the early evening of July 28. Mercury will turn retrograde in Virgo on August 23 just after the Sun moves to Virgo, and will remain in Virgo through the end of your birthday cycle. Don't get caught up in any new deals where you are asked to commit to a new deal, especially if the proposal requires a large outlay of cash.** Mercury goes direct in Virgo on September 15 and travels over several of the Virgo degrees you just experienced, giving you a chance to clarify any fuzzy areas of your transactions or plans. Be vigilant regarding safety and security as

the Leo period starts off with emotional Venus going retrograde in your sign late on the evening of July 22. The Sun moves to Leo a few minutes later. Don't get caught up in a flirtation that may not have staying power. You'll be glad when the work week comes to an end. Find enjoyable entertainment or parties to attend over the weekend. Expect quirky equipment failures, or a delay in plans with Mercury Rx.

Venus starts off in Leo and could be a factor in what you order, how you can execute vacation plans once the retrograde Venus hits, and how far your cash goes at a getaway destination that could be pricier than anticipated. Budget for school supplies, clothing, and stocking up on favorite snacks. Complete outdoor

maintenance, have the exterior of your property power washed, and arrange a casual gathering for neighbors and relatives living nearby. Show off your barbecue menu and use the new tools you acquired to prepare the delectable food. **Mars in Virgo sets a steady pace pushing a conservative spending agenda where it remains for most of this period before moving on to affable Libra.** Be sure to stick to your work agenda and clear your work space by July 28 so that you can enjoy vacation plans for the next week or two. Mercury enters Virgo and joins Mars on the 28th where these planets linger throughout August. Check on accommodations for pets and care for your houseplants before taking off for your vacation destination. **Jupiter in Taurus is on a steady course this month and could challenge those of you born August 4-9 by creating inconvenient conditions just ahead of vacation. Look for alternative solutions. During this period, Jupiter most favorably affects Taurus born May 2-7, Cancers born July 4-9, Virgos born September 4-9, Capricorns born January 2-7, and Pisces born March 2-6. Aquarians, Libras, Scorpios, and Sagittarians born with planets at 11-15 degrees of their signs should expect a few unexpected occurrences from the 4-9 of August, possibly related to travel plans or contracts.** Check reservations and lighten your baggage before you fly. Focus on expanding your opportunities to enjoy leisure time and enjoy the accommodations you have booked. Transiting Saturn in Pisces is retrograde now. It will most affect Pisces born February 23-26 who will feel pressured to lessen the tension that surrounds them.

Other signs experiencing challenges are Geminis, Virgos, Libras, and Sagittarians who have planets at 4-6 degrees of their signs. Taurus, Cancer, Scorpio, and Capricorn born with their suns at 4-6 degrees of their signs could experience harmonious vibrations. Saturn governs plans related to business responsibilities, health and family matters, household conditions, and the restrictions or limiting conditions that currently drive your opportunities. Those affected will not escape Saturn's scrutiny. **Uranus in Taurus is moving along on its 7-year trek through this sign at 22-23 degrees and goes retrograde on August 28 through January 27, 2024, when it moves direct again. With its flair for disruption, Uranus is currently shaking things up for Taurus born May 13-16.** With Uranus in Taurus transiting at 22-23 degrees many of you may find it necessary to modify plans, rethink strategies, accommodate sudden visitors, or requests for help. Let the challenges pass with minimal inconvenience. Other signs feeling challenging vibes are Leos born August 15-18, Scorpios born November 14-17 and Aquarius born February 12-15. Maintain calm if your birthday falls on these dates. Those of you born with planets at 22-23 degrees who are experiencing favorable transits include Virgos, Cancers, Capricorns, and Pisces who may achieve important goals, milestones, and desirable life achievements that point you toward new beginnings and a welcome shift in everyday dynamics. Retrograde periods offer powerful opportunities to identify key issues that affect you on a personal or business level. Process these internal challenges. Assess them before making premature decisions. Introduce the management team to innovative ideas and

new concepts, technologies, and systems that strengthen relationships with your core group and involved business contacts. Stay current with the evolving economy, financial matters, universal health conditions, and study erratic communication patterns before making decisions. You could receive a sudden burst of insight that changes your mind and affects the activity of those close to you. **Neptune is retrograde in Pisces at 27 degrees all month.** Check the house in your chart where Pisces falls and if it is in a money house (2nd, 8th, or 10th), keep track of your assets, transactions, purchases, spending habits, retirement funds, credit card usage, bank balances and computers. The Moon is conjunct Neptune on August 5 and in opposition to Mercury that could leave you exhausted from dealing with confusion during this cycle. Be cautious and rest. **Those born March 17-19 are most affected this month followed by those born June 18-20, September 21-22, and December 21-22 (Pisces, Gemini, Virgo and Sagittarius).** Provide a safety check for home and security systems. Watch food and beverages you consume while on vacation or on foreign turf in case of an allergic reaction. Cancers, Capricorns, Scorpios, and Taurus with planets at 27 degrees add quality to the benefit from unexpected windfalls, lottery tickets, invitations, leisure time, games, and spiritual experiences. Be scrupulous in business practices and treat others fairly in all transactions. **Pluto returned to Capricorn on June 12 and is retrograde until October 10. Check the house in your chart where Pluto leans heaviest at 28-29 degrees of Capricorn this month.** This slow moving planet hovers around the 29th degree and most affects Capricorns born January 19-21; Aries born April 19-21, Cancers born July 21-23, and Libras born October 22-24. Where is Capricorn hanging out in your natal chart? Find the spot where Pluto hovers and identify any issues that make you feel stuck. By acting with honesty, you'll be able to resolve uneasy feelings. Some feel dizzy when the planet is nearing its final degrees. Harmony manifests peaceful solutions and eliminates resentment, nit-picking, and getting even. Fill your heart with confidence, clear the air, and transform fear. Shower the positive effect of good karma on those you touch. Energize the lives of others and you are certain to realize the peace that comes with wide awakening at the world level. Manifest the good and peaceful vision you desire for the planet and your personal life. **Chiron in Aries turns retrograde on July 23 at 19° providing special healing opportunities for individuals born April 9-11.** Focus on your inner self to easily identify the vulnerabilities that have kept you from enjoying the love and peace that you desire in your heart. Manage angst that has prevented you from taking the direction in life you most desire. What pain from the past surfaces most frequently? Examine old hurts and issues, letting go of long-held conditions. Form your personal vision to maximize balance in your life. Once you identify your goals, plant those positive seeds for your future growth. Confidently lift your spirit and enjoy sublime rapport with others. Move on to celebrate your dreams to fully manifest the best possible cycle of your life. Notice that pain disappears. Select a cherished goal and work on achieving it now. Allow happiness to answer the call to a better life and enjoy rich rewards.

LUNAR/SOLAR CYCLES

July 22: Sun Enters Leo, 9:50 PM EDT

August 1: Full Moon in Aquarius, 9:36 PM EDT, 9° ♋ 16'

August 16: New Moon in Leo, 1:55 PM EDT, 23° ♌ 17'

August 23: Sun Enters Virgo, 5:01 AM EDT

PEOPLE, PLACES AND TOPICS IN THE NEWS

For those of you keeping up on evolving workplace terminology, People Operations (POPS) is emerging as the popular reference to Human Resources (HR) which has been in use for over 40 years in our IT-driven economy. We are now in a people-driven economy where the caliber and strength of business workforces will be key to long-term success. Many of you have your eye on gasoline prices that are falling and then suddenly rising in your neighborhoods. Readers hope for economic stability in areas where mortgage rates and rents are rapidly rising, and wages are not. The rising cost of health care has also been a troubling concern as providers in certain areas are no longer accepting payments from health insurance providers even though you may have previously been covered for many years. Check before you make appointments or schedule surgery. Decisions on health care are made by the local government not at the federal level. Check state organizations for details on your health care coverages as well as insurance providers. Here are this month's newsmakers.

Madonna. The material girl has been ill and was hospitalized for a serious bacterial infection that developed on June 24. She is now at home and a full recovery is expected. Madonna is a Leo born August 1, 1958, in Bay City Michigan. Often called the Queen of Pop, Madonna is an American singer, songwriter, and actress. She has worked hard over the years to keep control of her career and has continually reinvented her style and shown her versatility in music choices and artistic presentations. Madonna's natal chart shows her Ascendant as Virgo and several Virgo planets in her 12th and 1st houses, including the Moon in Virgo. Her 12th house contains Uranus, Pallas, the Sun, and EQ in Leo, the sign of ownership of her talent. Venus in Leo (voice and Transpluto fall on the cusp of her 12th house; Mars in Taurus, another sign of musical energy falls in her natal 9th house and verifies her physical moves and work performed in other countries. Saturn in her 6th house of health is in Virgo and is now opposing Juno, Pluto, and Mercury in her 12th house. Although she is healing, she will no doubt seek the advice of medical professionals before resuming her Celebration Tour that features her greatest hits which was scheduled to run from July 2023-January 2024. Let's visualize perfect health for this talented musical icon.

Tony Bennett: The world-renowned American singer died on July 21 in New York City at the age of 96, only weeks before his 97th birthday. He had been diagnosed with Alzheimer's in 2016 but kept performing. This master pop vocalist had a professional career lasting eight decades that included in later years, a popular singing partnership with Lady Gaga. The duo won a Grammy for their traditional pop vocal album Cheek to Cheek at the 57th Annual Grammy Awards. Anthony Dominick Benedetto was a Leo born August 3, 1926, in New York City. He is probably best known for "I Left My Heart In San Francisco," and won 18 Grammys and two Emmy awards during his inspiring career. His natal chart had many planets that highlighted his musical talent - Mars in Taurus, the Sun, Mercury, Vesta, and Neptune in Leo, Juno and Uranus in Pisces, and the Moon in Gemini. At the time of his death, Tony's chart was influenced by the May 5 eclipse in Scorpio that fell in his solar 4th house of home and life endings where it fell on natal Saturn (illness and restrictions) and on his progressed Venus (voice) and Sun (vitality), and he died in his city of birth. Rest in Peace, Tony.



America's Got Talent: The popular talent show continues to provide impressive entertainment this season. Live voting will begin on August 22. The field of contenders will be narrowed down in coming weeks. This year's judges are: Simon Cowell, Libra; Howie Mandel, Sagittarius; Heidi Klum, Gemini; Sofia Vergara, Cancer, former star of Modern Family; Terry Crews, Leo, the show's beloved Emcee and star of Brooklyn Nine-Nine. Keep watching and vote for your favorite. A number of extremely talented performers have appeared so far in Season 18. The final AGT show of the season will air on September 26.

READERS' CORNER

Dozens of readers weighed in on the woman who asked about how retrograde planets affect natal charts and particularly how they affect relationships. In her case, she asked about her father and their differences in how they viewed life choices. Many of you experienced differences over higher education, where you choose to live, and careers. Most worked out the differences. Here is another query from parents who want the best for their adult daughter. What do you think? Enjoy the insight.

Q. Our daughter is a Leo who will turn 29 on August 11. She always enjoyed the law and legal matters but did not complete a college degree, even though she took a few courses related to law when she went to school full-time in 2013-14. She has been working as a barista since 2015 and has a part-time job with a law firm delivering legal documents to clients of the firm. She bought a two-bedroom, two-bath condo three years ago and says she is very happy with her choice and the convenience of the location to both her barista employment and the law firm. She met the law partner through her work as a barista. We think she should go back to school and have offered to give her \$12,000 a year toward tuition. She has not agreed to resume her education and has refused our offer, insisting she is very happy with the work she is doing. Is there anything we can do to help her make a better future for herself? What do you see in her chart that might change the situation? Many thanks.

A. Be sensitive toward your daughter's life choices. **She is not complaining.** The most obvious area of activity at this time is your daughter's first house of personality and self, the Ascendant, followed by her 6th house of work and daily environment which has Pisces on the cusp. Your daughter's Ascendant is Libra, a sign very compatible with her Leo Sun sign which sits in the 11th house of groups, friendships, and goals, along with Mercury in Leo conjunct her Sun. In this house she also has Venus in Libra on the cusp an indicator of her beauty and charm, and the Moon in Libra, evidence that she has a sociable mindset and may get her energy from being around people—an isolate she is not. Mars in Gemini sits in her 10th house of career and ambition an indicator that she could pursue two or more careers in her lifetime and has the willingness and passion to work for what she wants. The year's next eclipse falls in her chart's first house in Libra on October 14 and will be around her for the next two years stirring up activity and bringing a new set of circumstances her way. Saturn drives responsibility and her natal Saturn is in Pisces. Simultaneously, Saturn in Pisces is transiting the heavens now and she will experience a Saturn return in 2024 in her 6th house of work, a good indication that she will change jobs, add more responsibilities, or take on new challenges. Why not let nature take its course. Your daughter is not complaining about life or work. If you push her, she might push back. It is possible that the law firm may make her a more lucrative offer that could lead to additional studies or full-time employment. Bask in the thought that you have a very responsible daughter who is

confident in her choices and goes with the flow when opportunities come up. The most important factor is that your daughter is happy in her work. Celebrate her success and the passion she shows for life.

QUOTE OF THE MONTH: *“Don’t be nervous. Work calmly, joyously, recklessly on whatever is at hand ” ... Henry Miller*

OFFICE HOURS

- Monday through Friday: 12-6 pm
- Saturday: 12-4 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. For a unique approach give the gift of a consultation 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. Make payments through PayPal to alice.deville27@gmail.com.

Enjoy the sunny, relaxing days of summer,

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NOTE: I continue to purge files which I normally keep for five years, and I regularly update both online and postal mailing lists. If you have moved this year, please send your current address. To be removed from this mailing list or to make a mailing address change, send a message to DeVilleAA@aol.com. Many thanks.

