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Saturn	Libra	15°Li30'	09th	07	
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Uranus	Sagittarius	01°Sg30'	11th	08	12°Le45'
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Neptune	Sagittarius	25°Sg33'	12th	09	00°Li22'
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Pluto	Libra	24°Li10' R	.09th	10	02°Sc28'
Midheaven	Scorpio	02°Sc28'		11	24°Sc11'
Ascendant	Sagittarius	27°Sg30'		12	11°Sg19'

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Traditional astrologers "make predictions." Often they are correct. But right or wrong, "predictions" turn you into a marionette, with the planets holding your strings. And in my opinion, that is not a very inspiring description of the way the cosmos works, nor a very accurate one. You are vastly more powerful than that. You can, to a great extent, shape your own life. That at least is my belief. The future isn't crystallized. It's a wavering, quivering web of possibilities. How will they manifest? Much depends upon how you wield the magical wild card we call your freedom.

So, what's the use of astrology? In a nutshell, it can help you make better choices. The planets never give a definitive answer to the question "What will happen to me?" Instead, they ask the question. But they ask the question in a very specific way: "Given everything you are, all the bridges you've crossed, all the contracts you've signed, there are several possibilities for what you might do next..." In other words, "Here's the menu. What are you having?" Question mark.

And the question mark is the most important part of the whole inquiry, because that's where the uncertainty -- and your freedom -- lies. But the planets do even more. They offer advice. In a sense, they recommend certain choices over others. They seem biased toward your evolution. They often suggest that you take the less familiar path, the one that moves you into richer fields of your own potentiality. The planets express this rather philosophical bias in a very concrete way. Typically, when you make a less energetic response to a planetary question, the results, while initially comfortable, rapidly turn painful. Sometimes the pain is immediate and dramatic, as in the collapse of an important relationship. Other times, it's more subtle, as in the degeneration of life into deadening boredom and ritual. Either way, sooner or later we know you made a wrong turn somewhere.

In the pages that follow, we will be exploring the coming months of your life from this planetary perspective. There are three parts to the report, and any or all of them may be included here, depending on which have been requested. First, the big questions. In the part of the report called THE INVITATION, we try to get that "mountain-top" perspective that enables us to make sense of the details. In THE MEANS, we turn our attention to some secondary factors that offer suggestions, help, and support in responding to those big questions. And finally, we'll look at the report period month-by-month, day-by-day, to get some ground-level insight into THE DETAILS. Your report may be for three, six, nine, or twelve months and may include any or all three sections just described. For this reason, and because some years in your life are astrologically more active than others, report length can vary quite a bit.

Throughout the following text, I'll be endeavoring to write in plain English, but if you're unfamiliar with the jargon of astrology, you'll encounter a few words that may require definition. A "transiting" planet, for example, refers to the actual, current position of that planet in the sky. Sometimes the transiting planets form critical geometric angles with the "natal" planets in the birthchart, triggering developmental questions in your life. These critical angles are called "aspects."

The "progressed" planets function in much the same way as the transiting planets, but we

approach them a little differently. They're like a script that's been built into your birthchart. Just as we know that an oak tree will emerge from an acorn and bring forth its leaves in season, similarly each person's birthchart contains within it the seeds of certain predictable developmental stages. Progressions spell out those stages.

So sit back, open your mind, and engage your heart. It's time to consider...

The Invitation

Some years loom large in our memories decades down the road; others are blurry, easily forgotten. That universal human reality is reflected in the movements of the planets -- astrologically speaking, one year is often far more significant than another, just as in life. Most of the really important celestial factors move rather slowly; thus, it's not unusual to experience a time in which none of them have gone critical, when we can calmly keep on putting one foot after the other, on "cruise control."

Well, for you this is definitely not that kind of year. Something truly pivotal is occurring...

What we've considered above is the underpinning of this phase of your life. It's truly elemental material -- the stuff of which milestones are made. There's no guarantee that astrological forces of such magnitude will be activated for everyone all the time. What follows is an analysis of some slightly less portentous dimensions of your astrological picture...less portentous, but still powerful enough to qualify as part of this year's "Invitation." Try to see what follows in the light of all that's gone before...

Tr. Saturn aligns with the Twelfth House cusp

Date: Jan 2, 2016; Jun 29, 2016 - Continuing

The planet Saturn is currently casting a gray light on your circumstances -- but is it the bleak gray of sorrow or the clear, comforting gray of wisdom and digested experience? That's the choice. Saturn is classically viewed as the "bad" planet, the "Greater Malefic." Don't believe it! Used correctly, its transits can bring dignity and self-respect. Essentially, Saturn is about maturity. The part of your life that's being touched by the Saturnian energies needs to grow up...which, despite the lies we're all told, is not a process one mysteriously completes on one's twenty-first birthday. There is an area of your life where you have simply outgrown yourself, at least inwardly. The task now is to adjust your outward circumstances to reflect the maturity you've already attained psychically and invisibly. It is a material problem, not fundamentally a psychological one. To succeed, there is first a need to face reality squarely, even if it's unsavory. Then to make a hard choice...that is, to reach an emotional bottom line and not be crippled by your awareness of the ambiguities in your situation. And finally, in a spirit of commitment, persistence, and self-discipline, to claim those circumstances in your life which reflect the hard inner work you've been doing over the last few years. That's Saturn in general. Specifically, Saturn is conjunct your natal Twelfth House cusp: Jan 2, 2016; Jun 29, 2016.

Release -- that is the spirit of the Twelfth House. Being the last house in the cycle, it refers to endings. Even very young philosophers soon realize that perhaps the only notion more terrifying than death is the prospect of immortality. Old folks who have lived well and wisely often welcome life's ending, not with a bitter death-wish, but rather with a sense of completion, a spirit of faith, and an acceptance of the wheel's inexorable turning. There is no suggestion, even with an astrological heavyweight like Saturn entering your Twelfth House, that you are physically dying, but rather that a long chapter of your life is coming to a close.

The immediate question, of course, is what's next? But don't be too quick to ask it. What lies ahead is not merely unknown; it is unknowable. Under Twelfth House stimulation, your essence is changing. Your attention is being drawn away from the outer world, drawn down deep inside you to feed the vision-building process. In feelings, in dreams, in flights of imagination, the roots of your next cycle of experience are being forged. You can help the process by providing yourself with some quiet time -- perhaps by seeking the guidance of oracles, the comfort of religion, or the perspective of meditation or contemplation -- and most of all by scrutinizing and releasing certain attitudes characteristic of Saturn...attitudes which were once appropriate, but which now are no longer really relevant to the new person you are becoming.

The main strategic concern here is to avoid damaging what is inherently a natural, almost instinctive mechanism. You probably feel disenchanted with some wide territories in your life. Don't overreact to those feelings! People often get themselves into trouble during these periods with "conversion experiences" -- seemingly fantastic opportunities in work, love, or money...opportunities which prove in the end to be costly mirages and little more. Be especially wary of any "opportunity" of the nature of Saturn which may come along. For you, this is vision-gathering time...and a time for gracefully disentangling yourself from circumstances which no longer feed your spirit. Be patient; soon enough you'll get some signals, both from inside yourself and from the world around you, regarding an entirely new set of possibilities.

Tr. Pluto is Square Saturn

In effect: in progress - Feb 14, 2016

Peak Date(s): Jan 14, 2016

The planet Pluto is shading the spirit of your life nowadays, and in a nutshell that means that you are being challenged to heal. Pluto, as you probably know, is the lord of the underworld...or to put it more succinctly, the God of Hell. And it is disquieting, to say the least, to imagine that this deity is currently dining at your table. But take heart! The "hell" inside you needs airing out, and that is essentially what this transit is about. You've been hurt. You've been used, abused, rejected, exploited, lied to ... the whole sad litany. And, like the rest of us, you've sometimes had to keep the proverbial stiff upper lip and simply get on with your life. But where does all that hurt go? Down deep into the unconscious mind, where it stays until you're clear enough and strong enough to handle resurrecting it and really going beyond it. Pluto's action is to bring up buried emotions. Its tone is intense. It often feels moody and confrontative. It can destabilize and disrupt the areas of your life that it's touching. The best course is to resolve to go deeper and deeper, truth above kindness and resolution over comfort. It's not easy, but in the end the energizing and empowering of the psyche make the process worthwhile. What is Pluto actually doing? Currently it is square your natal Saturn. Although Pluto is a slow-moving planet and usually unfolds its story over a period of two or three years, during the period of this report the action peaks Jan 14, 2016.

Let's first understand that the action is in the First House, for that's where Pluto is currently located in your chart. And what does that tell you? That the circumstances driving your development, at least in terms of this particular configuration, have to do with the choices you make and how you present yourself. Be assertive; take responsibility. You have considerable power in this situation. To use it well, act in the spirit of Pluto, as we just described it. But what's the issue? What part of your own life is at stake? To answer that question, we turn our attention to Saturn, which is being invited into development during this

new beginning in your life.

Getting kicked out of the nest, one way or another, is an elemental part of life. Faced with the stark, unyielding actualities of the "real world," you either die then and there or get on with the cunning, calculating business of staying alive. To accomplish either of those ends, you activate the energies of your natal Saturn: your self-discipline, your patience, and your practicality...if you choose survival. And if you choose to give up, you withdraw into fear and probably get into a mood of despair and defeat. When Saturn is triggered by passing transits or progressions, it signals a time in which hard work is appropriate, necessary, and the best insurance for happiness. Often it suggests that the circumstances or even people who have been a significant part of your past must now be left behind, making way for a more mature expression of your identity.

How does all that relate to your present circumstances? Recognize that Saturn occupies the Ninth House of your natal chart, an area which refers to the human need for adventure, variety, and escape from the ordinary. Periodically in your life it becomes necessary to "throw a monkey wrench" into your daily routines, to flee the scene and thereby gain the kind of "mountain-top" philosophical perspective necessary to keep your biography on a meaningful course. Under this current aspect, you have entered such a period. One final hint: those ventures, vacations, and journeys work best for you if they invoke the tone of Saturn, as we just encountered it.

When sober-minded Saturn gets involved with dark-hearted Pluto, you'll have little patience for fluffy, frilly superficiality. This is a serious moment, something of a day of reckoning. Truths must be recognized and told. Lies must be illuminated, and demons named. You are ready. The situation is pressing. It will not go away or improve of its own accord. Take responsibility, move decisively, and do what must be done.

The aspect connected with the astrological process we're investigating here is the square, as we have seen. The square, traditionally characterized as an unfortunate aspect, describes a geometric angle of 90 degrees between the natal planet and the moving trigger. To call squares "bad" is misleading. More accurately, they are compelling. In the area of your life we're considering, a terrific friction has arisen. It's not comfortable, but it is an extremely effective motivator. The trick in using the energy creatively lies in moving decisively -- determining precisely what you want, claiming it, and letting the rest go. A season of tough choices is upon you. Regarding the process we described in the previous paragraphs, there are costs involved in all the courses available to you...the most costly, for all concerned, being the course of indecision.

Tr. Neptune is Square Mercury

In effect: Jan 16, 2016 - Mar 12, 2016

Peak Date(s): Feb 14, 2016

The planet Neptune is presently tinting and shading your biography, adding its dreamlike quality to the existential stew. Close your eyes; there's a world in there. That's Neptune, the planet of consciousness itself. Now open your eyes. There's a world out there too, and it's hard to ignore it. In fact, the outer world has become so pressing in its demands that you've partly lost contact with the inner one. But Neptune, transiting through sensitive territories for you now, is fixing that. Your inner world is so full it's brimming over, overflowing its banks into your daily life. If you resist the process, you'll find a host of Neptune problems plaguing

you: losing the car keys, forgetting to pay the electric bill, having the attention span of a three-year-old on a sugar jag. But there's an alternative: trust the process. Slow down. Meditate. Let the images come. Moult opinions. Breathe in, breathe out. Why? Because your unconscious mind has a message for you. It has to do with the possibility of happiness for you over the next few years, about how old sources of joy are drying up and -- critically -- about new ones you must learn to recognize. How do you receive the message? You stop resisting. You simply let it in. That's Neptune in the broad sense. How is it effecting you specifically? Neptune is square your natal Mercury: Feb 14, 2016.

Let's first understand that the action is in the Second House, for that's where Neptune is currently passing through your chart. And what does that signify? That the circumstances driving your development, at least in terms of this particular configuration, have to do with self-confidence...but not simply in the conventional psychological way. Here the self-confidence -- or lack of it -- is rooted in the quality and appropriateness of your resource-base. To use this time well, act in the spirit of Neptune, as we just described it, and claim what you need for your journey, whether this be money, connections, equipment, or skills. But what's the deeper issue? What part of your own life now hinges on your gathering the right tools, funds, and skills? To answer that, we turn our attention to Mercury, which is being invited into development by this quickening of your dignity, self-reliance, and aplomb.

Your quickness, your alertness, your curiosity -- those are the dimensions of your life dominated by the planet Mercury. To say that Mercury represents your intelligence is quite accurate, but it's more connected to the natural style of your intelligence: not so much how smart you are as what interests you, and how your intelligence can be employed most pleasurably and efficiently. Intimately linked to such cerebral concerns is the question of your ability to communicate, since ideally there is some relationship between speech and forethought. Thus Mercury, the traditional Messenger of the Gods, is associated with both thought and conversation. When stimulated by a passing transit or progression, Mercury tends to speed up the flow of data in your life. You learn. You listen. You speak. Often events move at a hasty pace, and there's a feeling of excitement mixed with over-extension.

Preserving a sound alliance with Mercury plays a leading role in one key area of your life: the Fifth House, which is where Mercury lies in your birthchart. And what are the concerns here? Pleasant ones, generally: playfulness, creativity, and self-expression. Life is hard work -- human beings, yourself included, require periodic doses of renewal, peak experience, and simple joy. You can meet those needs in yourself in a variety of ways, but the ones that work best and most efficiently come from experiences connected with Mercury, as we just portrayed them. And, in your current astrological circumstances, the need for that kind of re-charging is definitely up right now.

When quick-witted Mercury merges with spacey Neptune, the mind is often a bit befuddled. And there is definitely a heightened tendency to carefully file the bananas in the socks-drawer. Such embarrassments aside, the combination is actually a very fertile one for the creative imagination. The mind naturally turns now to the mystical, the metaphorical, and the symbolic, where the Neptunian energies are always at home.

The two factors, as we mentioned, are linked by a square -- traditionally seen as a "bad" aspect, but more accurately seen as simply frictional. Squares generally suggest tough choices, external pressures, and at least some stress.

Pr. Mercury is Square Midheaven

In effect: in progress - continuing Peak Date(s): Mar 1, 2016

"Living in reality" may be a noble ideal, but it's not a very realistic one. "Reality" is notoriously elusive: ask any quantum physicist. The world "out there" and the world in which we actually live -- the one we construct in our heads -- have only a tangential relationship. All of us, you included, peer at the universe through the heavy filters of our own personal biases, interests, and appetites. As they say in India, "When the pickpocket meets the saint, he sees pockets." Thus, we're always in an awkward position: we navigate our bodies around the real world based on a map we carry between our ears. And the two are not in perfect accord. Sometimes when we imagine ourselves to be going to Oregon and we wind up in New Jersey -- translated, sometimes we blunder, sincerely imagining ourselves to be making a brilliant move. All because our map was wrong.

Clearly, one of life's primary tasks is the constant updating of our interior map. And that's Mercury-work. Mercury: the ancient "Messenger of the Gods," the planet of learning, thinking, speaking, and listening. Gradually our inner map evolves -- and that evolution is measured and guided by the progressed mercury. When it comes to a sensitive zone, we are asked to change our minds...which is much easier to say than to do. Always, it involves letting go of some previously-defended position, letting in new and often unsettling information. In this Mercury-intensive period of your life, your greatest allies are curiosity, open-mindedness, and flexibility -- and your worst enemy is dogmatic rigidity. Another word, by the way, for dogmatic rigidity is consistency. And that's something we often value. For now, however, think of consistency in less flattering terms; think of it as your right to be no smarter next year than you were last year.

Our initial step is to realize that the action and the developmental invitation are manifesting in the Seventh House, for that's the region of your birthchart through which Mercury is currently passing. This informs us that you have come to a turning point in your biography, but one whose successful navigation depends upon your receptivity to counsel, or more simply, your willingness to let another person influence you. "Soulmates" will appear at critical junctions. Recognize them through their resemblance to Mercury, which we just described. But what's the core issue? What part of your own life is at stake? To answer that, we turn our attention to the Midheaven, which is being invited into development by the advent of these pivotal people.

How is the progressed Mercury currently touching you? It is square your natal Midheaven: Mar 1, 2016. In thinking about this, remember that progressions are slow-moving events and that the action simply peaks then; it will be in effect throughout the period of this report.

Doctor, lawyer, Indian chief -- we all play some kind of role in our community. Sometimes you're paid for it; sometimes you do it for the principle of the matter. The public "hat" you wear is symbolized by the natal midheaven. Physically, it's the highest point in your birthchart, and it corresponds to the most outward, obvious dimensions of your life: your profession, your status, your social role. When it is stimulated by a transit or a progression, you are advised of some impending evolution or revolution in your style of hat, so to speak. Much depends on the nature of the progressed or transiting planet, but certainly some adjustments must be made in your outward life to reflect more adequately those inner

developments which have already taken place.

In what way do those notions connect with your present circumstances? Understand that the Midheaven occupies the Tenth House of your natal chart, an area which refers to issues of career, status, and your public role...concerns which are currently undergoing considerable developmental pressure and change. All positive steps in terms of profession or your place in the community hold one point in common: they move you further and further in the direction of the Midheaven, as we just described it. Any work that will prove enduringly satisfying invokes the considerable energies of the Midheaven in you; any work that does not embody them will turn out to be transitory or deadening.

The two factors, as we mentioned, are linked by a square -- traditionally seen as a "bad" aspect, but more accurately seen as simply frictional. Squares generally suggest tough choices, external pressures, and at least some stress.

Pr. Venus is Conjunct Moon

In effect: in progress - Apr 9, 2016

Peak Date(s): sometime before the report period.

"Love." What a word. Eskimos, it is said, distinguish two hundred different kinds of snow, each with its own name. Perhaps we should take a cue from them and cash in our word "love," replacing it with dozens of more specific concepts. It would still baffle us, inspire us, give us sleepless nights -- but at least we might then be able to communicate with each other more clearly. The love an infant feels for his or her mother...the consuming, volatile love of our teen years...the affection between old friends...the quiet affinity between those who have been well-married for decades: why do we put them all under the dominion of the same syllable? They're certainly different human experiences. Love evolves. Our capacity to feel that emotion takes on new resonances as we mature, and it drops old resonances.

Astrologers measure that evolution through the motions of the Progressed Venus. When it comes to a sensitive zone in your birthchart, you are invited to open yourself to new dimensions of human relationships. Typically, the passage of progressed Venus over a critical point coincides with visible alterations in our sphere of intimacy: friendships, business or creative partnerships, romantic bonds...all come to crossroads. Sometimes they come to endings. Other times they slough off deadening rituals and experience renewal, even renaissance. Many times such Venusian events mark the arrival of new people in our lives, people whose destinies are entwined with our own. Always, though, behind the outward relationship events, there is a deeper layer of meaning in these progressions: you are now asked to deepen the way you love, to love with yet another dimension of your being, to call still another part of your soul into the service of love. And, as always, it's possible to miss the point, squandering the Venusian force in wheel-spinning romances or soap-opera related interpersonal dramas.

Our first step is to recognize that the events and the deeper developmental invitation are manifesting in your Seventh House -- a familiar territory, since it figured earlier in our analysis. Again the "House of Marriage" comes up, for Venus is currently passing through it. Receptivity to other people is the centerpiece here. But to whom exactly? Recognize your "soulmates" through their resemblance to Venus, which we just described. But what is being triggered most deeply inside you? What part of you is being called into the service of love? The answer lies with the Moon, which is being stimulated during this season of connection,

encounters, and partnerships.

How is the progressed Venus currently touching you? It is conjunct your natal Moon: sometime before the report period.. In thinking about this, remember that progressions are slow-moving events and that the action simply peaks then; it will be in effect throughout the period of this report.

The natal Sun -- that, as we have seen, refers to the very core of your being: your identity.

Maintaining a healthy flow of the energies of the Moon, always good for you, is especially crucial to your closest human relationships: marriage, profound friendship, long-term sexual bonds. Why? Because in London, UK at the moment of your birth the Moon occupied your Seventh House, the traditional "House of Marriage." Two lines of reasoning emerge here. The first is that by bringing the flavor of the Moon into your intimate bonds, you shape love in a lasting, more meaningful way for yourself. The second is that your natural partners are themselves people with the spirit of the Moon. Relating deeply to those whose natures are too far removed from that tone and style is simply not your path. However we look at your situation, intimate connections are clearly a front-burner issue right now.

When the Moon blends with Venus, a mood (Moon) of affection and fondness (Venus) often fills the psyche. Creative or aesthetic concerns come to the fore; social and perhaps romantic activities intensify. The heart hungers for connection, closeness, and the sharing of tender support. Relax a little. Take time with people about whom you care. And don't let this period pass without enjoying a slow, unfolding sunset.

As we mentioned, the aspect involved in the event we just described is the conjunction, which refers to a precise alignment between the natal planet and the moving trigger. Thus, the process emphasizes fusion, integration, and synthesis. Of all the possible aspects, the conjunction is the most intense. The explosion rattles your outward circumstances; but it originates inside you, and puts you in the driver's seat. It is appropriate for you to claim some new level of power, of self-expression, and of autonomy. If you don't, no one will do it for you; and the opportunity will evaporate.

Pr. Sun is Square Midheaven

- In effect: in progress continuing
- Peak Date(s): May 22, 2016

Ever so slowly, at the pace of a glacier, life changes us. You're not the same person you were five years ago. Your interests have evolved, your tastes are more refined. And, of course, your circumstances are different. This snail-paced journey -- the Evolution of the Self -- is reflected in astrology's most elemental symbol: the progressed Sun. When it comes to a sensitive zone of the birthchart, momentous changes nearly always occur...but they mirror even more rudimentary transfigurations in the deepest levels of your identity.

Needless to say, we wouldn't be mentioning all this to you if the progressed Sun were passing through calm waters in your birthchart now. But it's not, and in a minute we'll look at exactly where it is and what it's doing. Before we consider the specifics, though, one more point for the sake of perspective: the progressed Sun is a very slow-moving factor. It covers approximately one degree each year. Thus, even in a long life, it swings through only about a quarter of the birthchart. It follows that often many years go by in which, despite its

overwhelming importance, the progressed Sun is basically not doing very much and can safely be ignored. The other side of the coin is that when the Sun does come to sensitive territories, a person has reached one of life's definitive turning points. Decisions are made, well or poorly. Bridges are crossed, and often burned behind us. Life takes off in a new direction.

You've arrived at such a juncture; your core is being transfigured. It's stressful, of course; change always is. But your ability to hear the new message that's coming up from inside you will determine to a great extent the level of happiness, creativity, and prosperity you will experience for the rest of your life. Let's get specific. How is the progressed Sun currently impacting on you? It is square your natal Midheaven: May 22, 2016. In thinking about this, remember that progressions are slow-motion events, and that this aspect simply peaks then; it will be in effect throughout the period of this report.

Our first step is to recognize that the events and the deeper developmental invitation are manifesting in your Seventh House -- a familiar territory, since it figured earlier in our analysis. Again the "House of Marriage" comes up, for the Sun is currently passing through it. Receptivity to other people is the centerpiece here. But to whom exactly? Recognize your "soulmates" through their resemblance to the Sun, which we just described. But what is being triggered most deeply inside you? What part of you is being called into the service of love? The answer lies with the Midheaven, which is being stimulated during this season of connection, encounters, and partnerships.

The natal Midheaven -- that, as we have seen, represents the role you play in your community. It is connected primarily to two territories: your work and your reputation.

Your Tenth House came up earlier; now we see it in the spotlight again, once more informing us that the deepest, most essential factors in the situation we're considering all revolve around your role in the world -- your profession or job, your political (or metapolitical!) activities...in general, the image that strangers have of you. And what do right choices look like here? A large part of the answer lies with the Midheaven, a planet we described above, whose basic nature and values underlie what we might call your "Cosmic Job Description."

The two factors, as we mentioned, are linked by a square -- traditionally seen as a "bad" aspect, but more accurately seen as simply frictional. Squares generally suggest tough choices, external pressures, and at least some stress.

Tr. Uranus is Opposite Pluto

In effect: May 31, 2016 - continuing

Peak Date(s): Jun 30, 2016

The planet Uranus is presently stirring the pot of your life, and that always promises a tumultuous passage, peppered with unexpected developments and encounters. Outwardly, Uranus is the wild card, bringing unpredictable and unforeseen events into the picture. Inwardly, it signals a time of accelerated individuation...that is, a time in which who you really are and what you truly want are rapidly emerging and defining themselves. A portion of what you imagined to be your identity has, in fact, little to do with you; it is a side-effect of your social training, nothing more. And, like training wheels on a kid's bike, you are now ready to dump it. This has an unsettling effect upon not only yourself, but also those around you. Often during Uranian periods there is a distinct "changing of the guard" in our social

circles; old relationships end, new ones appear. Claim your right to be yourself -- that's the essence of the transiting Uranus. Whatever it touches, changes. Trust the changes! Like a hard wind blowing the sand off a buried city, they are revealing who you actually have been all along. That's Uranus in general. Specifically, Uranus is opposite your natal Pluto: Jun 30, 2016.

Let's first consider that the action and the developmental pressures are rooted in the Third House, for that's where Uranus is currently located in your chart. And what does that mean? That new information is coming your way, and that it may be somewhat shocking, unexpected, or at least fresh. It will modify your plans and make you aware of new possibilities. The news may come to you through any of the media or through a messenger, either of which may possess the tone of Uranus, as we just described it. But what's the issue? What part of your own life is scheduled to be impacted most strongly by this new data? To answer that, we turn our attention to Pluto, which is being invited into development by this flood of input.

Everyone has fears. Everyone has shames and wounded places. In you and me and everyone else, there are marks left by the times we've been lied to, abandoned, used, or exploited. It's not the world's cheeriest subject, but turning away only empowers those Plutonian hurts, gives them more latitude to influence your life. When your natal Pluto is triggered by a passing transit or progression, dark shadows are stirred within you. It's a signal that forgotten, unprocessed, or repressed elements of your personal history are asking to be investigated. The procedure requires intensity, honesty, and emotional courage. The results are worth the effort. If you work well with these energies, you emerge stronger, clearer, and often with renewed inspiration. If you hesitate, it's not unusual for the old wounding dramas to be re-enacted in your life.

Your Ninth House engaged us previously in the report. Now we see it turned on again, indicating that your natural adventuresomeness and philosophical curiosity are at the heart of the present situation. Sometimes chances must be taken and leaps of faith made. This is such a time. Learn something new. Take a vacation to somewhere you've never been. In the spirit of Pluto, blow out the cobwebs.

When explosive Uranus collides with unsettling Pluto, secrets long-concealed are brought to light, while unexpected, irresistible forces enter your circumstances. What one might call the "Hand of Fate" makes itself felt, sweeping away, often with frightening speed, situations which have outlived their evolutionary usefulness. The challenge to you here lies in adapting to a radically new perspective on your life.

The geometric angle or "aspect" involved in the process we are studying is, as we said, the opposition. Not surprisingly, this suggests that the natal planet and the moving one are 180 degrees apart. Tension is thus woven into the spirit of this period of your life. The two forces we described are polarized, which often translates emotionally into a feeling of being damned if you do, and damned if you don't. How can you break the logjam? Recognize that any impossibilities you are experiencing in this area probably arise from an incomplete or biased perspective. The opposition aspect always calls for a leap into a new, more accepting level of consciousness. Something is missing in your view of the problem -- and that missing link (here's the corker...) lies in the wisdom embodied by those people or situations that are now antagonizing you. It's not that they're right and you're wrong; only that the truth that can carry

you beyond this impasse lies somewhere between the two positions.

Pr. Mars is Conjunct Pluto

In effect: in progress - Jun 2, 2016

Peak Date(s): sometime before the report period.

Two cats are discussing which cat rules the world. You've seen them...they glare at each other, inches apart, switching their tails. As soon as one of them flinches, the chase is on. The other cat lunges; the flincher flees. The curious thing is that the next day they might easily reverse roles, the pursuer becoming the pursued. Those cats give us an abject lesson in the ways of the planet Mars. Each of us, deep in our mammal-programming, contains a pair of primal behavioral routines: Fight and Flight. Dominance and Submission. Hunter and Prey. When the progressed Mars hits sensitive astrological territory, as it is doing for you currently, you are offered a choice: will you be courageous, or will you get hurt? It's raw and rough, and usually rather black and white.

Psychologically, the archetype that you're working with this year is that of the spiritual warrior. In that archetype, there may be violence, but no love of violence. There is skill with the "sword," but no love for the sword. Those who respond weakly to the challenges of the progressed Mars generally experience some kind of victimization: they are exploited, or abused, or get themselves into some kind of "accident." They often become depressed. But all that is quite optional! The higher road is to claim your courage. Assertiveness is always necessary, as is boundary-setting -- and boundary-defending. In some part of your life, you must learn to say "Enough!" Mars is linked to our ability to desire. When it progresses to a sensitive point, you are invited to claim what you want. But that claiming, however legitimate, calls for considerable intestinal fortitude.

Let's begin deciphering this configuration with the understanding that the action driving these existential developments is showing up in the part of your life we call the Ninth House. That's where Mars is currently making its influence felt, thus bringing events to bear upon you. Typically, when the "House of Long Journeys" is stimulated, life is eventful and expansive in tone. You are challenged to stretch out toward new experiential horizons through travel and educational efforts -- to toss hand grenades into the well-oiled machinery of your life. Why? Because deep down inside, you are starting to get bored with yourself! The key question with which you must wrestle is this: which adventure is the right one? Astrology cannot answer precisely, but here's one helpful hint -- to travel the right new road and thus refresh your spirit, you will need every ounce of the energy of Mars that you can muster. It's that kind of adventure, that kind of stretching, that is appropriate for you now. But what's the core issue? What part of your own life is at stake? To answer that, we turn our attention to Pluto, which is being invited into development by the invigorating, exhilarating impact of these new perceptions.

How is the progressed Mars currently touching you? It is conjunct your natal Pluto: sometime before the report period.. In thinking about this, remember that progressions are slow-moving events and that the action simply peaks then; it will be in effect throughout the period of this report.

The natal Pluto -- that, as we have seen, symbolizes your own native capacity to probe into yourself and heal yourself. It always deals with the hurts associated with the humiliations and defeats that life has offered us, and the process of going beyond them.

Your Ninth House engaged us previously in the report. Now we see it turned on again, indicating that your natural adventuresomeness and philosophical curiosity are at the heart of the present situation. Sometimes chances must be taken and leaps of faith made. This is such a time. Learn something new. Take a vacation to somewhere you've never been. In the spirit of Pluto, blow out the cobwebs.

When Mars connives with Pluto, you are lean, hungry, and ready to demand that your legitimate needs be met. Your desires are clear; they may also be unsettling, uncomfortable, even a little shocking. But they are clear, and your appetites are ravenous. The question is, what to do with them? There is a middle path between sheer Machiavellian selfishness and shallow, sugary-sweet, truth-denying "goodness." Your task is to find it.

The two factors, as we mentioned, are linked by a conjunction -- the most powerful of the geometric aspects and one that suggests convergence, intensification, and often a new beginning.

Pr. Sun is Trine Uranus

In effect: in progress - Jun 4, 2016

Peak Date(s): sometime before the report period.

We met the progressed Sun earlier. As you may recall, this is the most basic symbol in astrology. It represents your evolving self...that deep, changing core of self-imagery, values, and needs that underlies all the decisions you make and most of the experiences you have. The progressed Sun has already figured in this report, but it's active in another way as well -- and having the all-important progressed Sun figure more than once during a single year immediately suggests that you've reached a major milestone in your life. It is trine your natal Uranus: sometime before the report period.; at least, that's when the action peaks, although the progression will be in effect throughout the time period we're discussing in these pages.

Our first step is to recognize that the events and the deeper developmental invitation are manifesting in your Seventh House -- a familiar territory, since it figured earlier in our analysis. Again the "House of Marriage" comes up, for the Sun is currently passing through it. Receptivity to other people is the centerpiece here. But to whom exactly? Recognize your "soulmates" through their resemblance to the Sun, which we just described. But what is being triggered most deeply inside you? What part of you is being called into the service of love? The answer lies with Uranus, which is being stimulated during this season of connection, encounters, and partnerships.

There's a wild card in everyone, a rebellious, independent, free-spirited force that hates neckties and phony courtesies and all the slick moves that keep corporations and families from splitting apart. Astrologers call it Uranus. Stripped to its essence, this part of your astrological psyche is concerned primarily with the process of individuation, which boils down to whittling away all the parts of yourself which have arisen almost accidentally as side effects of your social background. When stimulated by transits or progressions, Uranus triggers your rebellions. It asks you to shed something unauthentic, unreal, or limiting in your life. Often it brings lightning-quick developments and unexpected circumstances. Almost always, there is a confrontation between you and some figure of authority, past or present.

While the energies of Uranus that we just described are obviously positive qualities for

everyone, they play an especially personal part in your own well-being, looming larger and larger in your life as you mature. That's because Uranus lies in your natal Eleventh House, which pertains to your future, to your healthiest priorities, and to your most sustainable long-term strategies, all of which are well-described by that planet. Under the current stimulation of Uranus, an evolution in your goals is occurring, rendering some old dreams obsolete or complete as new, sometimes unexpected desires and values begin to make themselves felt. It is a season of re-orientation.

When the Sun interacts with Uranus, a time of wise selfishness is making itself felt. Both these astrological factors have to do with your individuality, but there's a difference between them: the Sun is who you think you are, the "Self" that is evident from your biography; while Uranus is who you actually are, in your deepest essence, apart from any social scripting. The two are rarely identical. But under this kind of developmental pressure, they are converging. This, to put it mildly, will often "surprise" those around you. Trust it, and be yourself.

As we said, the aspect involved in the event we just described is the trine, which refers to a 120 degree angle between the natal planet and the moving one. Trines are traditionally viewed as positive aspects, and in fact they generally do correlate with opportunities. Additionally, their existence implies that support is available to you, if you are willing to move to claim it. And therein lies the rub with the so-called "good" aspects. They're not very dynamic. Just as pain is a more powerful motivator than contentment, the trick with trines lies in taking advantage of them before the wheel turns and their potential vanishes. With regard to the developments we described in the previous few paragraphs: a door is now open, a red carpet rolled out...but don't count on everything remaining that way forever.

The Means

If you happen to have a cold on the day you win the lottery, will that taint your memory of the big event? Probably not. Ten years later, you will have forgotten your runny nose. Ten minutes later, more likely.

Life and memory work that way. We prioritize certain kinds of events, experiencing them more vividly and remembering them far longer than the trivial and the predictable. The details of a typical Monday morning aren't going to last as long in the memory banks as images of your moment of glory or your darkest hour.

In exactly the same way, not all astrological events have the same impact. What we have considered so far are all first-string milestones in your life. The rest of what we'll be considering is less central -- but that's not to say unimportant. What follows is a set of supplementary transits and progressions, presented chronologically. They're not quite as profound in their implications as what we've seen, but they're not without emotional and existential consequences. If what we have explored in the previous pages can be viewed as an evolutionary invitation, then, to that lofty end, what follows is....

"The Means"

As you'll see, each of these events stands as significant in its own right. But their deepest meanings lie in the way they interact with what we've considered in the pages above, enhancing and sometimes complicating the broader developmental patterns. Cards on the table: you can skim the next several pages and, I think, learn some things about the coming months that will prove prophetic...and more importantly, helpful. But the real magic lies in putting all the pieces together, synthesizing them in your heart into an emotional whole -- just like you've done with, say, memories of a special summer long ago. No computer can do that for you.

Your own creativity, your own reflections on the material we're covering, your own translations, additions, corrections, amendments, and meditations -- these are what make the difference.

Let's continue.

Pr. Moon is Square Moon

In effect: Jan 17, 2016 - Mar 12, 2016 Peak Date(s): Feb 13, 2016

You don't need to be an astrologer to know what the Moon means. Just engage your imagination. Immediately, the mind free-associates. Moon: night...feelings...falling in love...seeing a ghost... And that's pretty much what astrologers throughout history have said: the Moon represents your interior life, your "heart." Like all astrological factors, the Moon progresses, taking a little over a quarter of a century to make one circuit around the chart. It typically spends a couple of years in each sign or house, and eventually forms aspects with all the planets. How do we read it? Simple: at any given moment the progressed Moon tells us where your heart is. Or, to be a little less schmaltzy about it, the Moon says where your attention is. What is concerning you. Where your growth experiences are unfolding -- which is often to say where you're experiencing challenges, upsets, or opportunities to regroup and express yourself in new ways. Being an emotional factor, the progressed Moon always refers to areas of heightened sensitivity. Intuition comes to the forefront. Instincts must be followed. Somehow the unconscious mind has gotten ahead of conscious awareness, and now

conscious awareness is catching up, following the trail of intuitive clues and impulses laid down by the wise, dark interior of your spirit.

Let's begin deciphering this configuration by recognizing that the action driving these existential developments is showing up in the part of your life we call the Ninth House, which we encountered earlier in the report, for that is where the Moon is currently making its influence felt. This suggests that events and opportunities involving travel, education, and a general expanding of your horizons are now occurring, and that you could definitely use the breath of fresh air they'll create if you go ahead and, in the spirit of the Moon, take the leap of faith for which they're calling. But what's being triggered inside you? What part of you will benefit most deeply from such exploration and expansion? The answer lies with the Moon, which is being invited into development during this time of questing adventure.

How is the progressed Moon currently impacting on you? It is square your natal Moon: Feb 13, 2016. In thinking about this, remember that progressions are slow-motion events, and that this event simply peaks then; it will be affecting your mood for a period of two or three months on either side of that date.

Astrology is the basic "programming language" of human consciousness. That may seem like a bold claim, but it's easily tested and proven. Pick someone who imagines he or she knows nothing at all about astrology. Ask them what the Moon means. After an initially dumbfounded look, you'll probably get an answer such as, "I dunno...feelings?" Which is quite correct. The mind naturally associates the Moon with darkness, with moonlight...and therefore with ghosts and romance, magic and tears, vulnerability and exhilaration: emotions. Deep inside us all is a subjective realm. Love and hate, joy and sorrow, dwell there. So do our daydreams and our creativity. If we could "average" a person's mood over a lifetime, we'd have an excellent profile of his or her Moon. When the Moon is triggered into development by a passing transit or progression, your inner life is stimulated. You feel stirred up. Powerful currents of emotional energy, for weal or woe, are released into your psyche. The very basis of happiness for you is evolving.

Your Seventh House occupied our thoughts earlier in these pages; now we see it triggered again, suggesting that at the center of the circumstances we're considering there exists a fundamental inter-dependency: what you must do, you cannot do alone. A pair of ideas figure here: The first is that by emphasizing the spirit of the Moon in your closest relationships, you improve them. The second is that your natural partners are themselves people of the nature of the Moon, and that should help you recognize them.

When the Moon interacts with its own natal position, as is the case here, emotional energies are turned on. There is a general heightening of mood-swings, and often a heightening of dream activity. What's happening is that the unconscious mind is attempting to adjust the trajectory of your outer life. It has a slightly different perspective on your current prospects than does your everyday awareness, and it is communicating that notion to you in the form of a mood.

The two factors, as we mentioned, are linked by a square -- traditionally seen as a "bad" aspect, but more accurately seen as simply frictional. Squares generally suggest tough choices, external pressures, and at least some stress.

Tr. Saturn is Sextile Saturn

In effect: Feb 5, 2016 - May 14, 2016 Peak Date(s): Feb 21, 2016; Apr 28, 2016

Saturn played a role earlier in this account. Now it emerges again, in a new way. To refresh your memory, Saturn is ultimately the planet of maturity. It always places a strong emphasis upon hard work, decisive choices, and persistence. Saturn currently is sextile your natal Saturn. The energies crest Feb 21, 2016; Apr 28, 2016.

Currently Saturn is maneuvering through your Twelfth House. As we said earlier in the report, this is the final house of the cycle and often suggests endings and dissolutions. A meditative, accepting attitude is best now, letting go lightly of the things that are taken from you, knowing that despite appearances what is lost now has no place in the journey to come. What is to be released? A hint lies with Saturn, as we just described it -- that part of you has completed a major phase of its work and must now "graduate" to a new level. But we can go further. There is also a need for some release in connection with Saturn, which is being invited into development by these vital resolutions and these necessary deaths -- some of which, by the way, may be forced upon you by circumstance if you're overdue in appreciating their necessity.

The natal Saturn -- that, as we have seen, symbolizes your capacity for self-discipline and patience. Generally, it marks an area where you will be challenged to achieve excellence...or tempted to give up and sink into sorrow and self-pity.

Your Ninth House engaged us previously in the report. Now we see it turned on again, indicating that your natural adventuresomeness and philosophical curiosity are at the heart of the present situation. Sometimes chances must be taken and leaps of faith made. This is such a time. Learn something new. Take a vacation to somewhere you've never been. In the spirit of Saturn, blow out the cobwebs.

When Saturn interacts with its own natal position, as we observe here, commitment is the highest path, and the one which brings the most joy in the long run. At some level, a vow is called for now...at least a vow to yourself. It will take effort, and the effort will be costly and exhausting. But it will be worth it. We hear so much about "being in touch with the inner child." Good advice, but not now. Saturn is about being in touch with the inner adult, which is to say, being in touch with determination, patience, and your own core moral values.

The aspect pervading the event we've just considered is, as we observed, a sextile. Technically, that refers to a geometric angle of 60 degrees between the natal planet and the moving one. Sextiles are traditionally viewed as "good" aspects. Certainly, they're exciting. There is a mood of eagerness regarding the process we're exploring here -- and that's glorious, provided you're wary of the excessive impulsiveness that sextiles sometimes breed. In any case, the spinning wheel of circumstances can be counted on to provide some fortuitous, unexpected opportunities for you during this period. You'll have to be quick to seize them, though. They're real, but they're short-lived.

Pr. Mercury is Trine Uranus

In effect: in progress - Mar 7, 2016 Peak Date(s): sometime before the report period. We encountered the progressed Mercury earlier. As you may remember, this represents your evolving capacity to perceive and communicate. When it comes to sensitive zones, you are challenged to see and understand things in a new, more mature way, and to find words -- and listeners -- for the expression of those perceptions. Its action is to accelerate, to complicate, and to conceptualize. The progressed Mercury has already figured in this report, but it's active in another way as well.

Our first step is to recognize that the events and the deeper developmental invitation are manifesting in your Seventh House -- a familiar territory, since it figured earlier in our analysis. Again the "House of Marriage" comes up, for Mercury is currently passing through it. Receptivity to other people is the centerpiece here. But to whom exactly? Recognize your "soulmates" through their resemblance to Mercury, which we just described. But what is being triggered most deeply inside you? What part of you is being called into the service of love? The answer lies with Uranus, which is being stimulated during this season of connection, encounters, and partnerships.

How is the progressed Mercury currently touching you? It is trine your natal Uranus: sometime before the report period.. In thinking about this, remember that progressions are slow-moving events and that the action simply peaks then; it will be in effect throughout the period of this report.

The natal Uranus -- that, as we have seen, represents your natural, uncensored individuality and your ability to claim and defend it.

Your Eleventh House played a role earlier in the report; now we see it in the limelight again, once more telling us that your skill in forming necessary alliances and coalitions lies at the heart of the situation we're considering. Two reflections emerge. The first is that to succeed here you need to use all your social and political deftness...you can't do it alone, and the people upon whom you must rely are, to put it charitably, "human." The second is that to set appropriate priorities you must think deeply about what you want...which is to say, you need to know exactly what is worth fighting for and what you are willing to sacrifice. One hint: for you, the right answers nearly always have the tone of Uranus, a planet we described above.

When Mercury couples with Uranus, the combination is exciting, innovative, and original. A real element of genius is available to you now. Not that you'll necessarily go down in history alongside Michelangelo -- but you're quite capable of breaking out of accustomed, well-trodden patterns and creating truly novel ideas. Everything depends upon your ability to doubt, to question, and to speculate.

The two factors, as we mentioned, are linked by a trine -- traditionally seen as a "good" aspect, but more accurately seen as simply enhancing or supportive. Generally speaking, with trines there is an opportunity...but to seize it, you must supply the initiative.

Pr. Moon is Trine Mercury

In effect: May 6, 2016 - Jun 30, 2016

Peak Date(s): Jun 2, 2016

The progressed Moon figures in our thinking again. As you may recall, the Moon shows what you are feeling. It gives us insight into your mood, concerns, and general attitude...into "where your heart is," in other words.

Let's begin deciphering this configuration by recognizing that the action driving these existential developments is showing up in the part of your life we call the Ninth House, which we encountered earlier in the report, for that is where the Moon is currently making its influence felt. This suggests that events and opportunities involving travel, education, and a general expanding of your horizons are now occurring, and that you could definitely use the breath of fresh air they'll create if you go ahead and, in the spirit of the Moon, take the leap of faith for which they're calling. But what's being triggered inside you? What part of you will benefit most deeply from such exploration and expansion? The answer lies with Mercury, which is being invited into development during this time of questing adventure.

How is the progressed Moon currently impacting on you? It is trine your natal Mercury: Jun 2, 2016. In thinking about this, remember that progressions are slow-motion events, and that this event simply peaks then; it will be affecting your mood for a period of two or three months on either side of that date.

The natal Mercury -- that, as we have seen, symbolizes your intelligence, your capacity to communicate, and your fundamental curiosity.

Your Fifth House held our attention for a while earlier in these pages; now we see it making itself felt again. You have an inherent capacity for playful, recreational, or creative self-renewal, and it operates best when those self-renewing activities emphasize the spirit of Mercury, as we just described it. That part of your psyche is under some pressure now. Take advantage of the energy and enjoy yourself!

When the Moon is alloyed with Mercury, a mood (Moon) of curiosity and restlessness (Mercury) fills the psyche. Boredom, never a pleasant prospect, becomes intolerable. You are, quite appropriately, hungry now for mental stimulation, for learning, and for fascinating conversations with intelligent, open-minded people. Trust your own inquisitiveness; it will lead you in unexpected, but delightful directions.

The two factors, as we mentioned, are linked by a trine -- traditionally seen as a "good" aspect, but more accurately seen as simply enhancing or supportive. Generally speaking, with trines there is an opportunity...but to seize it, you must supply the initiative.

Pr. Moon is Conjunct Mars

In effect: May 12, 2016 - continuing Peak Date(s): Jun 9, 2016 The progressed Moon figures in our thinking again. As you may recall, the Moon shows what you are feeling. It gives us insight into your mood, concerns, and general attitude...into "where your heart is," in other words.

Let's begin deciphering this configuration by recognizing that the action driving these existential developments is showing up in the part of your life we call the Ninth House, which we encountered earlier in the report, for that is where the Moon is currently making its influence felt. This suggests that events and opportunities involving travel, education, and a general expanding of your horizons are now occurring, and that you could definitely use the breath of fresh air they'll create if you go ahead and, in the spirit of the Moon, take the leap of faith for which they're calling. But what's being triggered inside you? What part of you will benefit most deeply from such exploration and expansion? The answer lies with Mars, which

is being invited into development during this time of questing adventure.

How is the progressed Moon currently impacting on you? It is conjunct your natal Mars: Jun 9, 2016. In thinking about this, remember that progressions are slow-motion events, and that this event simply peaks then; it will be affecting your mood for a period of two or three months on either side of that date.

Sheer animal vitality -- that's Mars. In your natal chart, it represents your boldness and your pluckiness: what gets your blood flowing. Or boiling. All passions are linked to Mars. Anger and your ability to defend your boundaries are part of the picture. So is your inner fire -- your enthusiasm, your intensity, your sexual desire. When triggered by a passing transit or progression, Mars often signals a "go for it" situation developing in your life, but to make the best of it, you'll need to be brave and assertive. Such transits or progressions can also warn you of upcoming battles, and in general it's wiser to seize the initiative rather than surrender your power to the whimsies of circumstance.

Your Ninth House engaged us previously in the report. Now we see it turned on again, indicating that your natural adventuresomeness and philosophical curiosity are at the heart of the present situation. Sometimes chances must be taken and leaps of faith made. This is such a time. Learn something new. Take a vacation to somewhere you've never been. In the spirit of Mars, blow out the cobwebs.

When the Moon interacts with Mars, the mood of life turns hot. Fiery energies course through the psyche, filling you with passionate intensity. Positively, the linking of these two factors can encourage you to take the initiative, to state your needs forcefully and unambiguously, and to defend what is rightfully yours. Be careful; this astrological linkage may incline you toward extremes of temper, unintentionally destructive exchanges with the people with whom you share your life, and possibly the sort of accidents which are created by unprocessed tension, anger, or anxiety.

The two factors, as we mentioned, are linked by a conjunction -- the most powerful of the geometric aspects and one that suggests convergence, intensification, and often a new beginning.

The Details

In the mood for Mardi Gras? If you live in Chicago, it helps to know that New Orleans lies to the south. Head west or east and you'll never arrive . . .

What we've done in the previous pages is to show you the direction to New Orleans. We've looked at the big astrological themes that are affecting you this year . . .

As a reminder, at the beginning of our analysis of each month's events we'll make reference to any major configurations covered previously which happen to be reaching peaks of intensity then -- and please recall that some of them will have more than a single peak during the report period. There won't be any more analysis; just an allusion to the events so you can go back and review the earlier material, and see the patterns of the month in the light of the year's heavier transits and progressions.

Please remember that the fleeting, often forgettable influences we discuss in the following pages must always draw their real meaning from the far more monumental events we've already described. A "discussion with the boss," for example, is going to take on particular significance during a month when your whole career is up for grabs! These minor transits unfold quickly. It's a rare week that doesn't contain at least a few. A report that discussed them all in the kind of microscopic detail we've applied to the major events would be several inches thick. In order to cover the daily astrological kaleidoscope within the practical limitations of the space available, we've resorted to producing capsulized one-sentence nuggets that compress a lot of information into a few words. So, slow down, shift gears, and let them wash over you. Think of these images more as daily meditations than as the kind of full-blown explanations to which you've gotten accustomed in the previous sections of SKYLOG.

One brief reminder: remember that many astrological events have not one but several peaks of intensity, so you may find a given "Invitation" or "Means" coming up several times in the pages that follow.

Even minor astrological events commonly have an impact over several days. In the following month-by-month analysis, configurations are listed chronologically according to the days they "peak" -- but don't take that date narrowly. The most colorful events and profoundest realizations might easily occur a day or two later or earlier.

January Invitation Peaks

Jan 02, 2016 - Tr. Saturn enters Twelfth House

Jan 14, 2016 - Tr. Pluto Square Saturn

January Mean Peaks

(None this month.)

January The Details

Jan 03, 2016 - Tr. Mercury Square Jupiter

Keywords: forceful conversation clashes with your instinctive routine-shattering exuberance.

Jan 03, 2016 - Tr. Mars Trine Sun

Keywords: exploratory courage supports your typical cooperative identity.

Jan 04, 2016 - Tr. Mars Conjunct Jupiter

Keywords: intellectually hungry courage combines with your characteristic expansive exuberance.

Jan 05, 2016 at 01:00 PM - Mercury turns Retrograde

Three, maybe four times in the course of a year, the planet Mercury spends three weeks or so going backwards in the sky, a period we call Mercury Retrograde. Practicality sometimes intervenes, but to the extent that you can arrange it, you are better off if you can avoid signing anything important during this period, buying anything mechanical (unless its failure would be of trivial consequence), initiating travel, or attempting significant communications by phone or mail. This, of course, is a lot to ask; and sticking to it too firmly starts to verge on Cosmic Paranoia. Still, there is a heightened tendency for objects, messages, and plans to go awry during this Retrograde time. Sometimes a little patience exercised now will make your life a lot easier in the long run. If steps simply must be taken, it doesn't mean everything is doomed to failure...just keep duplicates, have backups, double-check everything, and be prepared for petty annoyances. The first appearance of a Retrograde Mercury during the period of this report occurs Jan 05, 2016 at 01:00 PM. Those conditions persist until Mercury again goes "Direct" sometime after the report period.

Jan 06, 2016 - Tr. Sun Square Saturn

Keywords: assertive nature conflicts with your instinctive intellectually hungry integrity.

Jan 06, 2016 - Tr. Venus Opposite Mercury

Keywords: strategic relating opposes your inborn playful conversation.

Jan 06, 2016 - Tr. Venus Sextile Mars

Keywords: strategic human connection excites your native routine-shattering swordsmanship.

Jan 07, 2016 at 04:31 AM - Tr. Moon enters Twelfth House

The Moon in a month passes through all twelve houses of your chart. In so doing, it correlates with the passing whimsies of mood. One afternoon you're bright and cheery, the following morning you're blue...but energetic again after lunch. It doesn't amount to much, and it's not really very important in practical terms -- with one exception: the passage of the Moon through the Twelfth House. During that time you are going through a kind of emotional moulting, ending one cycle and preparing to begin another. Your attentions and energies are turned inward. Accept that, handle it well, and the period -- usually a couple of days -- is quiet and contemplative. It may even be rather pleasant. But if you try to keep up your normal level of activity, you'll find yourself confused, flat, and prone to dumb accidents. So when the Moon enters your Twelfth House, make sure that you have some unstructured time. Minimize distractions. Put off any significant new beginnings for a couple of days. And take a few unhurried breaths. This month, the transiting Moon crosses into your natal Twelfth House Jan 07, 2016 at 04:31 AM, and emerges Jan 08, 2016 at 10:34 AM, when a new emotional cycle begins.

Jan 07, 2016 - Tr. Mercury Square Jupiter

Keywords: commanding communication conflicts with your instinctive routine-shattering gambling.

Jan 08, 2016 - Tr. Mars Conjunct Midheaven

Mars, the God of War, is transiting through sensitive territories for you, suggesting some turbulent waters to be navigated. Always the trick with the red planet lies in realizing that the time has come to overcome a fear or a resistance in yourself, and to take what is legitimately yours. Your blood is up, and that's not a bad thing, unless you "chicken out" and misdirect the Martian energy toward some inappropriate target.

Mars arrives at a conjunction with your Midheaven Jan 08, 2016, and that always suggests a time of public visibility or career-related activity. The Midheaven is the top of the chart and corresponds to the most outward, visible parts of your life. It's an active point, generally not very subtle. To make the most of it, pretend that "all the world's a stage" and that the part you're playing is that of the Mars, as we just described it. Don't be shy. Ham it up a little, and make sure the people dozing in the back row don't miss any nuances.

Jan 08, 2016 - Jupiter turns Retrograde (at 23°Vi14' in your 08th House)

Aspects: Square Sun, Trine Venus, Square Neptune, Square Ascendant.

Jan 12, 2016 - Tr. Venus Sextile Saturn

Keywords: reclusive human connection stimulates your normal exploratory composure.

Jan 12, 2016 - Tr. Mars Trine Moon

Keywords: professional courage supports your typical interpersonally sensitive sensitivity.

Jan 13, 2016 - Tr. Mercury Trine Venus

Keywords: decisive communication supports your typical child-like affection.

Jan 14, 2016 - Tr. Mercury Square Pluto

Keywords: commanding conversation conflicts with your instinctive routine-shattering intensity.

Jan 14, 2016 - Tr. Sun Square Pluto

Keywords: decisive identity conflicts with your instinctive exploratory intensity.

Jan 16, 2016 - Tr. Sun Trine Venus

Keywords: assertive identity enhances your usual spontaneous human connection.

Jan 19, 2016 - Tr. Venus Sextile Pluto

Keywords: meditative affection stimulates your normal exploratory honesty.

Jan 20, 2016 - Tr. Venus Conjunct Neptune

Keywords: meditative human connection fuses with your natural private inspiration.

Jan 21, 2016 - Tr. Sun Square Jupiter

Keywords: authoritative identity conflicts with your instinctive adventuresome opportunity.

Jan 21, 2016 - Tr. Venus Conjunct Ascendant

Venus: Goddess of Love, Goddess of Peace...in her fast transits around your chart, she offers you counsel and support, sometimes through friendship, sometimes through more romantic kinds of intimacy. Her arrival at a sensitive zone also suggests that a time has come to relax and to receive solace or comfort, or to recharge your inner batteries through the perception of beauty. People come warmly into your space; a chance to "let your hair down" arises;

paintings, music, and Technicolor sunsets abound.

The Venus arrives at a conjunction with your Ascendant Jan 21, 2016, and that always suggests a colorful, active few days. A new cycle of experience is beginning for you. It's not earth-shaking in its implications, but you'll be happier if you act positively in the spirit of the Venus. The ball is in your court. Decisive action, imprudent action, or inaction on your part now will have long-term effects, just as the experiences of childhood leave their mark on the adult character. Don't be afraid of a little apparent selfishness now. There are seasons of giving and seasons of taking; this one is for taking.

Jan 22, 2016 - Tr. Sun Sextile Uranus

Keywords: commanding identity excites your native goal-oriented autonomy.

Jan 23, 2016 - Tr. Mercury Square Saturn

Keywords: decisive conversation clashes with your instinctive exploratory composure.

Jan 23, 2016 - Tr. Venus Opposite Sun

Keywords: resolute human connection is in tension with your inherent caring identity.

Jan 24, 2016 - Tr. Venus Sextile Jupiter

Keywords: resolute affection stimulates your normal exploratory opportunity.

Jan 27, 2016 - Tr. Venus Opposite Moon

Keywords: resolute affection is in tension with your inherent empathetic sensitivity.

Jan 29, 2016 - Tr. Mercury Square Saturn

Keywords: resolute conversation conflicts with your instinctive adventuresome composure.

Jan 29, 2016 - Tr. Sun Trine Mercury

Keywords: authoritative identity supports your typical self-expressive dialog.

Jan 29, 2016 - Tr. Sun Trine Mars

Keywords: forceful nature enhances your usual questing courage.

Jan 31, 2016 - Tr. Venus Square Mars

Keywords: commanding relating clashes with your instinctive questing swordsmanship.

February Invitation Peaks

Feb 14, 2016 - Tr. Neptune Square Mercury

February Mean Peaks

- Feb 13, 2016 Pr. Moon Square Moon
- Feb 21, 2016 Tr. Saturn Sextile Saturn

February The Details

Feb 03, 2016 at 01:44 PM - Tr. Moon enters Twelfth House

This month, the transiting Moon crosses into your natal Twelfth House again Feb 03, 2016 at 01:44 PM. It emerges and a new emotional cycle begins Feb 04, 2016 at 08:09 PM. As we discussed earlier, this represents a brief period in which you serve your own ultimate interests best by relaxing a bit, taking some extra precautions against physical mishaps, and most importantly, delaying any major new starts, insofar as that's possible.

Feb 04, 2016 - Tr. Sun Trine Saturn

Keywords: financially savvy identity supports your typical intellectually hungry solitude.

Feb 05, 2016 - Tr. Venus Square Saturn

Keywords: commanding human connection clashes with your instinctive exploratory composure.

Feb 08, 2016 - Tr. Mercury Square Pluto

Keywords: forceful conversation clashes with your instinctive intellectually hungry intensity.

Feb 10, 2016 - Tr. Mercury Trine Venus

Keywords: assertive dialog enhances your usual spontaneous relating.

Feb 12, 2016 - Tr. Venus Square Pluto

Keywords: forceful affection conflicts with your instinctive adventuresome honesty.

Feb 13, 2016 - Tr. Sun Trine Pluto

Keywords: financially savvy personality enhances your usual expansive intensity.

Feb 13, 2016 - Tr. Venus Trine Venus

Keywords: decisive relating supports your typical child-like human connection.

Feb 14, 2016 - Tr. Mercury Square Jupiter

Keywords: assertive conversation conflicts with your instinctive exploratory gambling.

Feb 14, 2016 - Tr. Sun Sextile Neptune

Keywords: dignified personality stimulates your normal reclusive contemplation.

Feb 14, 2016 - Tr. Sun Square Venus

Keywords: financially savvy identity clashes with your instinctive child-like human connection.

Feb 15, 2016 - Tr. Mercury Sextile Uranus

Keywords: commanding dialog excites your native long-term individuality.

Feb 17, 2016 - Tr. Venus Square Jupiter

Keywords: authoritative affection clashes with your instinctive exploratory exuberance.

Feb 18, 2016 - Tr. Venus Sextile Uranus

Keywords: forceful affection stimulates your normal visionary originality.

Feb 19, 2016 - Tr. Sun Trine Sun

Keywords: self-respecting nature enhances your usual loving personality.

Feb 19, 2016 - Tr. Sun Trine Jupiter

Keywords: financially savvy personality enhances your usual intellectually hungry gambling.

Feb 20, 2016 - Tr. Mercury Trine Mercury

Keywords: decisive dialog supports your typical creative conversation.

Feb 20, 2016 - Tr. Sun Square Uranus

Keywords: dignified nature clashes with your instinctive group-dynamical individuality.

Feb 20, 2016 - Tr. Mercury Trine Mars

Keywords: authoritative communication enhances your usual questing courage.

Feb 24, 2016 - Tr. Mars Opposite Venus

Keywords: strategic swordsmanship opposes your inborn child-like human connection.

Feb 24, 2016 - Tr. Sun Trine Moon

Keywords: self-respecting personality supports your typical collaborative sensitivity.

Feb 24, 2016 - Tr. Venus Trine Mercury

Keywords: assertive relating enhances your usual child-like conversation.

Feb 24, 2016 - Tr. Venus Trine Mars

Keywords: decisive human connection supports your typical adventuresome swordsmanship.

Feb 25, 2016 - Tr. Mercury Trine Saturn

Keywords: financially savvy dialog enhances your usual adventuresome integrity.

Feb 28, 2016 - Tr. Sun Square Mercury

Keywords: self-respecting nature clashes with your instinctive playful communication.

Feb 29, 2016 - Tr. Venus Trine Saturn

Keywords: resourceful affection supports your typical intellectually hungry solitude.

March Invitation Peaks

(None this month.)

March Mean Peaks

(None this month.)

March The Details

Mar 01, 2016 - Tr. Mercury Trine Pluto

Keywords: self-assured dialog supports your typical exploratory honesty.

Mar 01, 2016 at 10:14 PM - Tr. Moon enters Twelfth House

This month, the transiting Moon crosses into your natal Twelfth House again Mar 01, 2016 at 10:14 PM. It emerges and a new emotional cycle begins Mar 03, 2016 at 05:21 AM. As we discussed earlier, this represents a brief period in which you serve your own ultimate interests best by relaxing a bit, taking some extra precautions against physical mishaps, and most importantly, delaying any major new starts, insofar as that's possible.

Mar 02, 2016 - Tr. Mercury Sextile Neptune

Keywords: dignified dialog stimulates your normal reclusive inspiration.

Mar 02, 2016 - Tr. Mercury Square Venus

Keywords: self-assured communication clashes with your instinctive creative affection.

Mar 05, 2016 - Tr. Mercury Trine Sun

Keywords: self-assured communication supports your typical loving personality.

Mar 05, 2016 - Tr. Mercury Trine Jupiter

Keywords: self-confident conversation enhances your usual exploratory exuberance.

Mar 06, 2016 - Tr. Mercury Square Uranus

Keywords: self-respecting dialog conflicts with your instinctive visionary individuality.

Mar 07, 2016 - Tr. Venus Trine Pluto

Keywords: self-respecting human connection enhances your usual questing intensity.

Mar 08, 2016 - Tr. Mercury Trine Moon

Keywords: dignified dialog enhances your usual cooperative awareness.

Mar 08, 2016 - Tr. Venus Sextile Neptune

Keywords: resourceful relating excites your native meditative contemplation.

Mar 08, 2016 - Tr. Venus Square Venus

Keywords: dignified relating clashes with your instinctive child-like affection.

Mar 10, 2016 - Tr. Mars Conjunct Uranus

Keywords: group-dynamical assertiveness fuses with your natural priority-clarifying autonomy.

Mar 10, 2016 - Tr. Mercury Square Mercury

Keywords: financially savvy dialog conflicts with your instinctive child-like communication.

Mar 12, 2016 - Tr. Venus Trine Sun

Keywords: self-respecting affection enhances your usual cooperative identity.

Mar 12, 2016 - Tr. Venus Trine Jupiter

Keywords: financially savvy relating supports your typical exploratory opportunity.

Mar 13, 2016 - Tr. Venus Square Uranus

Keywords: financially savvy affection clashes with your instinctive strategic individuality.

Mar 15, 2016 - Tr. Sun Square Neptune

Keywords: financially savvy personality clashes with your instinctive quiet contemplation.

Mar 15, 2016 - Tr. Sun Sextile Venus

Keywords: self-confident identity stimulates your normal playful affection.

Mar 16, 2016 - Tr. Venus Trine Moon

Keywords: dignified relating enhances your usual empathetic awareness.

Mar 19, 2016 - Tr. Venus Square Mercury

Keywords: financially savvy affection clashes with your instinctive spontaneous communication.

Mar 19, 2016 - Tr. Mercury Square Neptune

Keywords: dignified conversation conflicts with your instinctive private inspiration.

Mar 19, 2016 - Tr. Mercury Sextile Venus

Keywords: dignified dialog stimulates your normal playful relating.

Mar 20, 2016 - Tr. Sun Square Sun

Keywords: self-respecting identity conflicts with your instinctive loving personality.

Mar 21, 2016 - Tr. Sun Trine Uranus

Keywords: inventive personality supports your typical priority-clarifying autonomy.

Mar 22, 2016 - Tr. Mercury Square Sun

Keywords: self-assured dialog clashes with your instinctive interpersonally sensitive identity.

Mar 22, 2016 - Tr. Mercury Trine Uranus

Keywords: curious conversation supports your typical goal-oriented individuality.

Mar 24, 2016 - Tr. Mercury Square Moon

Keywords: open-minded dialog clashes with your instinctive cooperative sensitivity.

Mar 25, 2016 - Tr. Sun Square Moon

Keywords: open-minded nature conflicts with your instinctive collaborative awareness.

Mar 25, 2016 - Saturn turns Retrograde (at 16°Sg24' in your 12th House)

Aspects: Opposite Mercury, Sextile Saturn.

Mar 26, 2016 - Tr. Mercury Sextile Mercury

Keywords: inventive communication excites your native child-like conversation.

Mar 26, 2016 - Tr. Mercury Opposite Mars

Keywords: inventive communication is in tension with your inherent adventuresome swordsmanship.

Mar 29, 2016 at 05:19 AM - Tr. Moon enters Twelfth House

This month, the transiting Moon crosses into your natal Twelfth House again Mar 29, 2016 at 05:19 AM. It emerges and a new emotional cycle begins Mar 30, 2016 at 12:58 PM. As we discussed earlier, this represents a brief period in which you serve your own ultimate interests best by relaxing a bit, taking some extra precautions against physical mishaps, and most importantly, delaying any major new starts, insofar as that's possible.

Mar 29, 2016 - Tr. Sun Sextile Mercury

Keywords: curious identity excites your native imaginative dialog.

Mar 29, 2016 - Tr. Sun Opposite Mars

Keywords: intelligent nature opposes your inborn expansive assertiveness.

Mar 29, 2016 - Tr. Mercury Opposite Saturn

Keywords: clever dialog opposes your inborn expansive integrity.

April Invitation Peaks

(None this month.)

April Mean Peaks

Apr 28, 2016 - Tr. Saturn Sextile Saturn

April The Details

Apr 02, 2016 - Tr. Venus Square Neptune

Keywords: financially savvy human connection clashes with your instinctive spiritually open contemplation.

Apr 02, 2016 - Tr. Venus Sextile Venus

Keywords: self-confident relating excites your native playful affection.

Apr 02, 2016 - Tr. Mercury Opposite Pluto

Keywords: clever conversation opposes your inborn routine-shattering intensity.

Apr 03, 2016 - Tr. Mercury Trine Neptune

Keywords: verbal dialog enhances your usual reclusive inspiration.

Apr 04, 2016 - Tr. Sun Opposite Saturn

Keywords: verbal personality opposes your inborn adventuresome integrity.

Apr 05, 2016 - Tr. Venus Square Sun

Keywords: resourceful relating conflicts with your instinctive interpersonally sensitive personality.

Apr 06, 2016 - Tr. Mercury Sextile Sun

Keywords: intelligent communication stimulates your normal empathetic personality.

Apr 06, 2016 - Tr. Mercury Opposite Jupiter

Keywords: open-minded conversation opposes your inborn exploratory exuberance.

Apr 06, 2016 - Tr. Venus Trine Uranus

Keywords: verbal affection supports your typical goal-oriented originality.

Apr 07, 2016 - Tr. Mercury Opposite Midheaven

The mythological Mercury is the "Messenger of the Gods." The same is true of the transiting Mercury, which speeds around your chart, prompting conversations, dialogs, and sermons, both outgoing and incoming. It triggers the arrival of letters, faxes, and phone calls, and provokes the weaving of new data into your viewpoint. When it arrives at a sensitive point, your task is to listen, to ask questions, and to share intelligence.

Mercury aligns with your Fourth House cusp, the very bottom of your birthchart, Apr 07, 2016. As you might imagine, this point, being buried, represents inward, psychological experience, and often puts emphasis on the home or family. Claim renewal for yourself now, and hold quiet counsel with yourself. Don't let the pressure of events drive you faster than is good for you; you don't need rest so much now as active silence. Vision is rising up in you, if you let it. To attune yourself to this new enlivening, get away from society; be alone, or be with people in your own inner circle -- your real "family" -- and do it in the spirit of the Mercury. That will put you in the proper attitude of receptivity.

Apr 08, 2016 - Tr. Mercury Sextile Moon

Keywords: cautious conversation stimulates your normal interpersonally sensitive sensitivity.

Apr 09, 2016 - Tr. Venus Square Moon

Keywords: intelligent affection clashes with your instinctive interpersonally sensitive awareness.

Apr 12, 2016 - Tr. Venus Sextile Mercury

Keywords: intelligent affection excites your native imaginative conversation.

Apr 13, 2016 - Tr. Venus Opposite Mars

Keywords: inventive human connection is in tension with your inherent questing assertiveness.

Apr 13, 2016 - Tr. Sun Opposite Pluto

Keywords: open-minded identity is in tension with your inherent adventuresome investigation.

Apr 15, 2016 - Tr. Sun Trine Neptune

Keywords: open-minded personality enhances your usual reclusive inspiration.

Apr 18, 2016 - Pluto turns Retrograde (at 17°Cp29' in your 01st House)

Aspects: Square Saturn, Square Pluto.

Apr 18, 2016 - Tr. Venus Opposite Saturn

Keywords: open-minded relating is in tension with your inherent expansive solitude.

Apr 19, 2016 - Tr. Sun Sextile Sun

Keywords: verbal nature stimulates your normal empathetic personality.

Apr 20, 2016 - Tr. Sun Opposite Jupiter

Keywords: open-minded personality opposes your inborn questing exuberance.

Apr 22, 2016 - Tr. Sun Opposite Midheaven

The transiting Sun is like a huge, dumb battery. Whatever it touches, it electrifies -- but never for very long or very deeply. That's simply because it's a fast-moving factor, never staying anywhere long enough to develop true depth or complexity of meaning. In a year, it circuits the chart once...which leaves it only a few days to spend in each of your chart's many sensitive zones. Whatever it touches, however, is temporarily pushed into action. And sometimes, if more serious astro-psychological energies have been building or brewing in that area of your life, the Sun's transit over that point might just be the trigger that sets big wheels turning. The critical point is that the Sun represents your ego, and when it collides with sensitive territories you need to act accordingly: not "egocentrically," but with an awareness of your rights, your needs, and your desires.

The Sun aligns with your Fourth House cusp, the very bottom of your birthchart, Apr 22, 2016. As you might imagine, this point, being buried, represents inward, psychological experience, and often puts emphasis on the home or family. Claim renewal for yourself now, and hold quiet counsel with yourself. Don't let the pressure of events drive you faster than is good for you; you don't need rest so much now as active silence. Vision is rising up in you, if you let it. To attune yourself to this new enlivening, get away from society; be alone, or be with people in your own inner circle -- your real "family" -- and do it in the spirit of the Sun. That will put you in the proper attitude of receptivity.

Apr 24, 2016 - Tr. Sun Sextile Moon

Keywords: sensitive identity excites your native collaborative awareness.

Apr 25, 2016 - Tr. Venus Opposite Pluto

Keywords: open-minded human connection opposes your inborn exploratory honesty.

Apr 25, 2016 at 11:18 AM - Tr. Moon enters Twelfth House

This month, the transiting Moon crosses into your natal Twelfth House again Apr 25, 2016 at 11:18 AM. It emerges and a new emotional cycle begins Apr 26, 2016 at 07:05 PM. As we discussed earlier, this represents a brief period in which you serve your own ultimate interests best by relaxing a bit, taking some extra precautions against physical mishaps, and most importantly, delaying any major new starts, insofar as that's possible.

Apr 26, 2016 - Tr. Venus Trine Neptune

Keywords: verbal affection supports your typical withdrawn imagination.

Apr 28, 2016 at 05:12 PM - Mercury turns Retrograde

Mercury is turning Retrograde again. We described this phenomenon earlier, and you might want to look back and review it. Basically, it's a good time to delay signing contracts, buying mechanical things, or attempting significant communications. Mercury turns Retrograde Apr 28, 2016 at 05:12 PM and remains that way until sometime after the report period..

Apr 30, 2016 - Tr. Venus Sextile Sun

Keywords: verbal human connection stimulates your normal caring identity.

Apr 30, 2016 - Tr. Venus Opposite Jupiter

Keywords: curious human connection is in tension with your inherent questing exuberance.

May Invitation Peaks

May 22, 2016 - Pr. Sun Square Midheaven

May Mean Peaks

(None this month.)

May The Details

May 02, 2016 - Tr. Venus Opposite Midheaven

The transiting Venus emerges again, suggesting experiences coming to you centered on other people with whom you are involved, and also encouraging you to relax and release tension now, perhaps with the help of music, art, or natural beauty.

Venus aligns with your Fourth House cusp, the very bottom of your birthchart, May 02, 2016. As you might imagine, this point, being buried, represents inward, psychological experience, and often puts emphasis on the home or family. Claim renewal for yourself now, and hold quiet counsel with yourself. Don't let the pressure of events drive you faster than is good for you; you don't need rest so much now as active silence. Vision is rising up in you, if you let it. To attune yourself to this new enlivening, get away from society; be alone, or be with people in your own inner circle -- your real "family" -- and do it in the spirit of the Venus. That will put you in the proper attitude of receptivity.

May 04, 2016 - Tr. Venus Sextile Moon

Keywords: watchful relating stimulates your normal loving attitude.

May 09, 2016 - Jupiter goes Direct (at 13°Vi15' in your 08th House)

Aspects: Square Mercury.

May 16, 2016 - Tr. Sun Conjunct Venus

Keywords: imaginative personality combines with your characteristic playful relating.

May 20, 2016 - Tr. Venus Conjunct Venus

Keywords: spontaneous human connection combines with your characteristic imaginative relating.

May 22, 2016 - Tr. Sun Opposite Uranus

Keywords: imaginative nature opposes your inborn strategic individuality.

May 22, 2016 at 05:11 PM - Tr. Moon enters Twelfth House

This month, the transiting Moon crosses into your natal Twelfth House again May 22, 2016 at 05:11 PM. It emerges and a new emotional cycle begins May 24, 2016 at 00:45 AM. As we discussed earlier, this represents a brief period in which you serve your own ultimate interests best by relaxing a bit, taking some extra precautions against physical mishaps, and most importantly, delaying any major new starts, insofar as that's possible.

May 23, 2016 - Tr. Mars Conjunct Uranus

Keywords: priority-clarifying swordsmanship fuses with your natural goal-oriented individuality.

May 25, 2016 - Tr. Venus Opposite Uranus

Keywords: self-expressive human connection opposes your inborn visionary individuality.

May 29, 2016 - Tr. Sun Conjunct Mercury

Keywords: imaginative personality combines with your characteristic self-expressive communication.

May 30, 2016 - Tr. Sun Trine Mars

Keywords: self-expressive identity supports your typical intellectually hungry swordsmanship.

May 31, 2016 - Tr. Venus Conjunct Mercury

Keywords: spontaneous affection combines with your characteristic creative conversation.

May 31, 2016 - Tr. Venus Trine Mars

Keywords: imaginative relating supports your typical exploratory swordsmanship.

June Invitation Peaks

- Jun 29, 2016 Tr. Saturn enters Twelfth House
- Jun 30, 2016 Tr. Uranus Opposite Pluto

June Mean Peaks

- Jun 02, 2016 Pr. Moon Trine Mercury
- Jun 09, 2016 Pr. Moon Conjunct Mars

June The Details

Jun 05, 2016 - Tr. Sun Trine Saturn

Keywords: supportive personality supports your typical adventuresome integrity.

Jun 06, 2016 - Tr. Venus Trine Saturn

Keywords: responsible affection supports your typical routine-shattering solitude.

Jun 09, 2016 - Tr. Mercury Conjunct Venus

Keywords: imaginative dialog combines with your characteristic creative relating.

Jun 10, 2016 - Tr. Mars Opposite Venus

Keywords: strategic swordsmanship opposes your inborn imaginative relating.

Jun 13, 2016 - Tr. Venus Trine Pluto

Keywords: supportive relating supports your typical adventuresome investigation.

Jun 13, 2016 - Neptune turns Retrograde (at 12°Pi02' in your 02nd House)

Aspects: Trine Moon, Square Mercury.

Jun 14, 2016 - Tr. Mercury Opposite Uranus

Keywords: creative communication opposes your inborn goal-oriented autonomy.

Jun 14, 2016 - Tr. Venus Opposite Neptune

Keywords: helpful human connection opposes your inborn private contemplation.

Jun 14, 2016 - Tr. Sun Trine Pluto

Keywords: dutiful personality enhances your usual intellectually hungry intensity.

Jun 15, 2016 - Tr. Venus Opposite Ascendant

The transiting Venus emerges again, suggesting experiences coming to you centered on other people with whom you are involved, and also encouraging you to relax and release tension now, perhaps with the help of music, art, or natural beauty.

Venus enters your Seventh House Jun 15, 2016. Traditionally the "House of Marriage," the Seventh House is actually a reference to anyone and everyone with whom you are open to intimacy. Whenever this part of the chart is stimulated, it's a signal that someone is coming into your life to adjust your attitude or your course, and that the adjustment is quite necessary and appropriate. Who is this person, and what is the message? We don't know exactly, but

here's a clue: he, she, or it looks, feels, and sounds a lot like the Venus. One bottom line: the quality of your deepest human connections profoundly affects the quality of your life, and at least one of these human connections needs some attention during these days.

Jun 16, 2016 - Tr. Sun Opposite Neptune

Keywords: dutiful identity opposes your inborn reclusive imagination.

Jun 17, 2016 - Tr. Venus Conjunct Sun

Keywords: loving affection fuses with your natural interpersonally sensitive personality.

Jun 18, 2016 - Tr. Venus Trine Jupiter

Keywords: collaborative human connection supports your typical questing exuberance.

Jun 18, 2016 - Tr. Sun Opposite Ascendant

The transiting Sun again -- this is the big searchlight that shines on each part of your chart in the course of a year, seeing if there's anything there that's just waiting for a little push...

The Sun enters your Seventh House Jun 18, 2016. Traditionally the "House of Marriage," the Seventh House is actually a reference to anyone and everyone with whom you are open to intimacy. Whenever this part of the chart is stimulated, it's a signal that someone is coming into your life to adjust your attitude or your course, and that the adjustment is quite necessary and appropriate. Who is this person, and what is the message? We don't know exactly, but here's a clue: he, she, or it looks, feels, and sounds a lot like the Sun. One bottom line: the quality of your deepest human connections profoundly affects the quality of your life, and at least one of these human connections needs some attention during these days.

Jun 18, 2016 - Tr. Mercury Conjunct Mercury

Keywords: creative dialog fuses with your natural playful conversation.

Jun 18, 2016 at 11:50 PM - Tr. Moon enters Twelfth House

This month, the transiting Moon crosses into your natal Twelfth House again Jun 18, 2016 at 11:50 PM. It emerges and a new emotional cycle begins Jun 20, 2016 at 07:09 AM. As we discussed earlier, this represents a brief period in which you serve your own ultimate interests best by relaxing a bit, taking some extra precautions against physical mishaps, and most importantly, delaying any major new starts, insofar as that's possible.

Jun 19, 2016 - Tr. Mercury Trine Mars

Keywords: self-expressive communication supports your typical exploratory courage.

Jun 21, 2016 - Tr. Sun Conjunct Sun

Keywords: loving identity fuses with your natural collaborative personality.

Jun 21, 2016 - Tr. Sun Trine Jupiter

Keywords: cooperative identity enhances your usual adventuresome opportunity.

Jun 21, 2016 - Tr. Venus Conjunct Moon

Keywords: loving affection fuses with your natural caring awareness.

Jun 22, 2016 - Tr. Mercury Trine Saturn

Keywords: painstaking communication supports your typical questing solitude.

Jun 25, 2016 - Tr. Venus Square Mars

Keywords: collaborative affection clashes with your instinctive intellectually hungry assertiveness.

Jun 26, 2016 - Tr. Sun Conjunct Moon

Keywords: cooperative nature combines with your characteristic interpersonally sensitive awareness.

Jun 27, 2016 - Tr. Mercury Trine Pluto

Keywords: painstaking conversation enhances your usual exploratory intensity.

Jun 27, 2016 - Tr. Mercury Opposite Neptune

Keywords: responsible dialog opposes your inborn spiritually open imagination.

Jun 28, 2016 - Tr. Mercury Opposite Ascendant

The transiting Mercury surfaces again...this, as you may recall, is the harbinger of messages and new information to which you need to pay attention.

Mercury enters your Seventh House Jun 28, 2016. Traditionally the "House of Marriage," the Seventh House is actually a reference to anyone and everyone with whom you are open to intimacy. Whenever this part of the chart is stimulated, it's a signal that someone is coming into your life to adjust your attitude or your course, and that the adjustment is quite necessary and appropriate. Who is this person, and what is the message? We don't know exactly, but here's a clue: he, she, or it looks, feels, and sounds a lot like the Mercury. One bottom line: the quality of your deepest human connections profoundly affects the quality of your life, and at least one of these human connections needs some attention during these days.

Jun 30, 2016 - Tr. Mercury Conjunct Sun

Keywords: collaborative conversation fuses with your natural empathetic identity.

Jun 30, 2016 - Tr. Mercury Trine Jupiter

Keywords: caring conversation supports your typical exploratory exuberance.

Jun 30, 2016 - Tr. Venus Square Saturn

Keywords: caring human connection conflicts with your instinctive routine-shattering composure.

Jun 30, 2016 - Tr. Sun Square Mars

Keywords: loving personality conflicts with your instinctive adventuresome assertiveness.