

Planetary Forecast for September 25-October 1, 2006

In review... Monday's Leo Moon quincunx with Uranus opened the day with news about church attacks by extremist Muslims over the Pope's comments, and the murder of a nun; there were also unrelated clashes in Hungary. Jupiter's square proved bad luck for Willie Nelson, who was cited in Louisiana for the possession of marijuana and mushrooms. (No editorials here, just a suggestion that no one else try to get away with the "it's only for my personal use" explanation should one find oneself in that trouble.) On Tuesday, if there was a perfect example of "discipline and focus paying off" it was the coup in Thailand; also NASA spotting "mysterious objects" around the space shuttle wisely delayed its return to earth by one day. Atlantis landed safely on Thursday, and there has been no bloodshed in Thailand. Well done. But Pluto's presence followed and an aura of tragedy took headlines with the news of three Indonesian Christians being executed for anti-Muslim "riots" in 2000, as did the crash of the test model magnetic speed train in German claiming 23 lives at last count.

This week... Monday, September 25th the first aspect isn't until 2:10 p.m. EDT when Venus (in Virgo) squares with Pluto (in Sagittarius) bringing the warning to watch for relationships that are on an edge. Things can go either way off that shaky fence. Even if commitment is a goal, in this environment, finesse means everything. Also watch for unexpected expenses—too late for me, I've already had a tooth split. By 4:28 Mercury (in Libra) will verbalize the relationship concern, aided by a sextile with Saturn (in Leo). That's Air and Fire in cahoots, so we're either looking at passion shifting into sexual encounters—or violence. If it's the latter, who's the beneficiary on *your* insurance policy? Finally at 9:47 Scorpio Moon trines with Uranus (in Pisces); do we need to make a fast decision/shocking commitment to get through this episode/day? Water-Water energy has us feeling and hearing vibrations that could make us a little paranoid and even misunderstand what's really going on. Before overreacting, let's consider other perspectives and options, and above all avoid melodrama. That may be asking too much because...

Tuesday, September 26th at 8:26 a.m. EDT, things get more active beginning with Mars (in Libra) forming a quincunx with Uranus (in Pisces). At the same time Scorpio Moon squares with Neptune (in Aquarius). Don't be surprised by anything that happens, since Scorpio has no patience for Neptune's blurred/fantasy-driven perspective. In this case, that's definitely a good idea when Mars and Uranus are butting heads. This combination can be exciting for some who enjoy playing team sports and other types of adrenaline bursting activity, but fierce and even brutal to others already experiencing crises in a relationship. By 9:06 Moon then conjuncts with Jupiter (also in Scorpio) bringing Water and Water energy—lots of emotion and benevolence indicated for those willing to do the work. We just might keep things/dialogues streamlined and rational—or see a weather event (like more snow in the Rockies). That's the tone of the day until 3:33 p.m. EDT when Moon squares with Saturn (in Leo). Someone wants to break the rules to get their own way or to escape responsibility. Don't get involved unless you're a billionaire and have nothing but time to waste.

Wednesday the 27th at 1:32 a.m. EDT will have Scorpio Moon and Venus (in Virgo) in a sextile. Although Moon is weakened due to its void course (preparing to leave one sign and enter another's energy), expect a passionate/romantic night, until Moon shifts into Sagittarius at 9:16 a.m. This is also a great time if your partner enjoys frankness, and/or if you need to assert a requirement for more freedom/space. In fact the entire day could be an improvement thanks to Moon's sextile with Libra Sun at 6:17 p.m. EDT. If the opportunity for a dinner with someone significant is possible, jump at the opportunity because at 11:27, Mercury sextiles with Pluto (in Sagittarius). Destiny speaks re relationships and careers.

Thursday, the 28th at 8:04 a.m. EDT, we'll experience Sagittarius Moon squaring with Uranus (in Pisces), thus Fire and Water energy clash and deplete each other. Consider rejecting Uranus' desire to cut and run or to rebel due to what—? Too much pork added to a spending bill? A job offer that will eat your clock without fair compensation? A partner who is trying to reduce your universe to her/him at the cost of your privacy/freedom? Figure it out before committing/agreeing to anything, otherwise... A 10:50 sextile between Moon and Mars brings fireworks of the physical kind; here's Moon's opportunity to save us from being stuck in quicksand in some matter. We have to figure out whether we're moving on, or better off with the status quo. The sextile that follows at 6:20 p.m. EDT with Neptune will threaten to blur our vision. Beware of Greeks or scoundrels bearing a pretty but perhaps empty box. They'll use it to steal your heart—or your savings. The good news is that maybe there'll be a thunderstorm for someone who needs it.

Friday, the 29th brings a Fire-Fire energy with the 1:40 a.m. EDT trine between Sagittarius Moon and Saturn (in Leo) encouraging us to reach and grow, but within the limits of the law. Otherwise...watch who gets to make the news by 7:22 when Pluto (also in Sagittarius) conjuncts with Moon. Then we'll be holding press conferences by 11:21 when Moon sextiles with Mercury (in Libra). Some won't be editing themselves and will be verbally "all out there." Finally, we call it a night at 4:45 p.m. EDT when Moon squares with Venus (in Virgo). Will Venus wise us up and zip her wallet shut, or is that her heart slamming a door? Moon enters Capricorn at 6:01 and we know that when Capricorn doesn't like the bottom line he'll sulk and drag his feet until he gets at least something going his way. The question is what and who can you afford to support long-term? We're out of eclipses for this year to do the work for us. The message is: straighten up or live with the consequences.

Saturday the 30th as we sense everything is changing around us, we rise at 6:02 a.m. EDT to Venus entering Libra and maybe indulging ourselves in a special moment or otherwise feeling expansive almost like a mini-Christmas morning. Capricorn Moon then squares with Libra Sun at 7:04. Did someone take this the wrong way; receive an inch, and want a yard? Wanting to try another idea at 3:24 p.m. EDT Moon sextiles with Uranus (in Pisces). Now we *should* expect the unexpected—and hopefully adapt with the help of serious Moon. Unfortunately, the day ends when Moon squares with Mars (also in Capricorn) at 8:59. It does seem as though some people need to have a door slammed in their faces, or a tire iron slammed on their heads to grasp that "no" means exactly that.

Sunday October 1st, Capricorn Moon sextiles with Jupiter (in Scorpio at 3:27 a.m. EDT. By 8:29 Moon forms a quincunx with Saturn (in Leo) indicating we're willing to break rules or try to borrow from Peter to pay Paul? I'd suggest caution, unless you're a Trump or have insider information. The hint that this is not in your best interest is the 11:16 p.m. EDT square between Moon and Mercury. Heed the warning because as Moon shifts into Aquarius at 11:24, Mercury is about to shift into Scorpio. Anyone who tries an Aquarius Moon "fast one" should worry that Mercury's answer will be provided by Scorpio's stinger.

Better to have a good lunch or dinner with a loved one and breathe a sigh of relief if you came through the week without losing your soul or retirement savings.

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