

Monthly Astrocast

April 2010



Key Events:

New Moon (24:27 Aries): April 14, 2010

Full Moon (08:07 Scorpio): April 28, 2010

Retrograde Planets:

Saturn: January 13, 2010 - May 30, 2010

Pluto: April 7, 2010 - September 14, 2010

Mercury: April 18, 2010 - May 10, 2010

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Lunations and Long-term Aspects

The New Moon this month on the 14th falls in neighboring sign, Aries, your 2nd House of finance, possessions, needs and pleasures. Look for something new to come your way in this part of your life. The aspects accompanying this New Moon should give you additional clues on what to expect. With both Mercury and Venus occupying your 3rd House of thoughts, ideas, neighbors and siblings as well as short journey's, you can expect things to be somewhat busy on a mental plane and pertain primarily to your material possessions though thoughts of love may creep in there as well. This will further reinforce the New Moon given the contents of that 2nd House! Venus is trine the North Node, which is chugging along through Capricorn, your 11th House of friends, groups, organizations, goals, hopes and wishes, indicating that you may be considering involvement in a new group, meet a new friend or possibly a love interest. The 11th House is also where we do our networking, in other words using our connections to obtain what we want, so this is also favored. The North Node typically indicates that something new is coming into our life, which further emphasizes the New Moon as well. If your birthday is right around March 6 - 7 you are even more likely to see something significant.

Other aspects all have the implication for a change of course. Saturn is quincunx your sign ruler, Neptune, an aspect that indicates an adjustment or course change is required, perhaps due to a Catch-22 situation. Justifying your position is another possibility. These two planets are quite antithetical with Saturn the planet of structure, limitations, restrictions and authority while Neptune strives to dissipate, dissolve, resort to idealism, or cloud the issue. In other words, Saturn is all about "shape up or ship out" while Neptune is singing either "Kumbaya" or "We are the World." Depending on your situation, you may need to tighten up the discipline in your life or conversely, lighten up. Neptune is in your 12th House of inspiration, enlightenment, transcendence, spiritual experiences, confinement, institutions, hidden enemies, and self-undoing. This will be a strong placement for Pisces since Neptune is your Sign Ruler and the 12th House is your zodiacal home.

Saturn at the time of the New Moon is in Virgo, your 7th House of relationships. He is also retrograde, meaning he's rumbling around in your unconscious, preparing you for restructuring something. Since his retrograde journey began in your 8th House of transformations, sex, debt, death and inheritances, something in that part of your life is likely to be a target as well. If your birthday is right around March 20, Saturn is going to looking you right in the eye. So it's my guess that you may need to take a hard look at yourself and whether you're entertaining anything that is too far removed from reality to have much relevance in the material world. You may think you're doing just fine, but with Saturn in your house of close relationships (which includes not only your significant other but close friends and relatives, business partners, and those with whom you have a one on one relationship, such as professional advisors) you need to look at how these folks may see your relationship. Discipline in a relationship doesn't just mean the other person doing what you want! It includes give and take, consideration, concern for their

needs as well as your own, and respect for their thoughts and opinions. So take a close, honest look and see what adjustments are in order.

Saturn is opposing Uranus, planet of sudden change, the unexpected, rebellion and surprises. He's in your 1st House of personality, where he's been for quite a while. Saturn is looking him square in the eye, so if there is something amiss in one of those close relationships, this suggests that some unexpected event may occur that gets your attention with regard to any problems. Keep an eye out for clues, though Uranus is seldom subtle. However, if someone has a meltdown on you, don't simply attribute it to the Moon and walk away. Found out where the real problem lies then address it in an appropriate manner.

One final quincunx for the New Moon is in place between Pluto and Mars. These two bad boys are seldom tactful in their direction. Pluto is in your 11th House of groups, friends, organizations, hopes and wishes about ten degrees away from the North Node mentioned earlier. Pluto is the zodiacal roto-rooter who's *raison d'être* is to bring your attention to those things in your life that are old, worn out, no longer useful or perhaps something you've tried to ignore and bury rather than deal with it. Mars is in Leo, your 6th House of work, health, service, and pets. These two houses tie together quite well and seems to be pointing toward a change of direction with regard to your work and coworkers. It could also pertain to a volunteer or service organization where you do charitable work.

The Full Moon on April 28 occurs in fellow Water Sign, Scorpio. If your birthday is within a day or so of February 27 you should be able to use this lunation to your advantage. The Sun is in Taurus, your 3rd House of thoughts, ideas, siblings and neighbors, and the Moon is in your 9th House of beliefs, expectations, higher learning, legal matters, other cultures, relocation and long-distance travel. Look for an opportunity, which may come in the form of a brainstorm, to pursue something in that 9th House venue. A Full Moon typically brings an ending or culmination, though it is sometimes simply the end of a phase. The Full Moon system may be favorable from your knothole, but Mars is still in your 6th House of work, health, service and pets where he is forming a T-Square with the Sun/Moon. This implies something is happening at work, with a volunteer group or perhaps your health since Mars in the 6th House can sometimes indicate surgery. A challenge in this regard could be coming your way.



Saturn is still opposite Uranus, stirring up a few surprises, plus Jupiter is now in there as well, inflating their impact. Saturn and Neptune are still quincunx as well, thus calling for adjustments to your relationships as previously mentioned. Outer planets, which include Saturn, Uranus, Neptune and Pluto all move quite slowly so their aspects hang in there for quite a while. Pluto is trining the Sun and Mercury, a favorable aspect that

indicates that you can expect some information and/or ideas regarding that clean-up work with your groups associations or perhaps your goals. Pluto is also quincunx Venus, this time calling for some adjustments with something related to your home environment, perhaps a female family member. There is quite a lot going on so pay attention so you can act on it accordingly.

Short-term Aspects

April 2: Give some thought today to any financial adjustments that would be to your advantage, including the possibility for a complete change of direction. Mercury goes into Taurus, bringing additional mental energy and reasoning power your way of a practical nature, which will help with considerations relative to your finances and possessions.

April 3: If you think you're underpaid for the amount of work you do you're likely to feel a lot of resentment today for one reason or another. Rather than just stewing about it, seek a solution.

April 4: You may encounter a female from your past today, especially if you're running a lot of errands or involved with a group activity of some sort. This may tie in well if you're still harboring any resentment about your job situation.

April 6: Delve into your past for ideas or solutions. Don't limit your quest to your experience only but incorporate that of others as well. Discussing it with someone older or more experienced than yourself could be fruitful as well.

April 7: Saturn goes into Virgo due to retrograde motion, implying there is restructuring to be done with one or more of your relationships. Pluto goes retrograde until September 14 during which time he'll be rooting around in your group activities, goals, and wishes.

April 10: Adjustments or a change of course at work or with respect to any volunteer work you do may arise today, perhaps due to previously hidden information coming to light.

April 14: New Moon today in Aries as described above.

April 17: Be on the lookout for an opportunity today that could be very much to your benefit. This could simple come as a new idea or as the result of a conversation with a neighbor or sibling.

April 18: Be kind to yourself today. Do something you enjoy, relax, and get in touch with your innermost self. If any of your needs aren't being met, consider what you can do to rectify the situation. Mercury goes retrograde until May 10 so remember not to buy anything electronic or mechanical until after he goes direct again.

April 19: The emphasis for most the month is on your finances, material possession and how your needs are met. If there are challenges in this area it might be pointing to a relationship. What adjustments are required to improve the situation?

April 20: The Sun goes into Taurus, highlighting your thoughts, ideas, siblings, neighbors and short journeys.

April 23: You could experience feelings of isolation today or feel disconnected. The need to break away or rebel against the status quo could be strong.

April 24: If you were tending toward being irresponsible yesterday, it's likely that a female you know will get you back on track.

April 25: Venus goes into Gemini, bringing her blessings to your home environment. Expect conflict of some sort at work or with regard to any volunteer work you do. Hidden information is likely to surface that could initiate the situation.

April 26: The need to change the workings of one or more relationships may become obvious today due to an unexpected or disruptive event.

April 28: Full Moon in Scorpio today as described above. Brainstorms are favored so it's a good day for problem solving.

April 29: Adjustments to your group activities may be required so you can spend more time at home.

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