

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 Aries, your 6th House of work, health, service and pets. If your birthday is between November 16 - 18 this is likely to be significant enough to encourage or even demand that you consider an adjustment or change of course with regard to something in that part of your life. Aspects accompanying this New Moon have a similar message that reinforces this theme. For one thing there are two quincunxes, an aspect that by its very nature implies that an adjustment or change of course if required, often due to a Catch-22 situation; a need to defend your position is another possibility.

The first one is between Saturn and Neptune, two planets that are about as antithetical as you can get. Saturn is about structure and due to the fact that he's retrograde, this implies restructuring something which in this case lies in your 11th House of groups, friends, organizations, goals, hopes and wishes; networking is also in this house. While Saturn builds up and implies restrictions, Neptune is about dissolving boundaries and free-floating wherever the tide may lead. Neptune is in Aquarius, your 4th House of home environment, where he's been camped out for several years and will remain there for at least one more before even thinking about going into Pisces. The upside of Neptune is a dreamy, peaceful, unrestricted atmosphere where everyone gets along and sings "Kumbaya" and "We Are the World" on a regular basis. The downside is a total lack of structure or discipline and a general sense of confusion. The implications for this quincunx with all this considers seems to point toward setting a goal to instill more structure and discipline into your home environment in one way or another.

The second quincunx is between Pluto and Mars. Pluto, your Sign Ruler, is in Capricorn, your 3rd House of thoughts, ideas, siblings and neighbors as well as short journeys such as all those errands you run in the local neighborhood. Pluto will have just turned retrograde the previous week, internalizing his energy and putting this zodiacal back-hoe in reverse. Pluto's function is to dig out and expose anything that's been buried prematurely without being properly dealt with as well as unearthing or exposing something that needs to be eliminated. He excels in helping you get rid of anything that has outlived its usefulness or is no longer needed in your life with the purpose to make room for something new. In this particular house, this could very possibly relate to your thoughts and ideas, though your siblings or neighbors could be involved as well. Mars is in Leo, your 10th House of career, reputation, public image and status. Mars is your ancient sign ruler, so you and he get along fairly well. His drive and energy will be focused in that 10th House in one way or another, but that quincunx with Pluto throws a little different spin on things. Maybe you need to adjust your thoughts about your career or one of your siblings. Your best bet is to perform a mix and match on the elements of both houses and see what comes up that rings a bell.

Yet another aspect suggestive of change, and a sudden one at that, is an opposition between retrograde Saturn and Uranus in fellow Water Sign, Pisces, which happens to be your 5th House of creativity, ego expression, children, romance, speculation,

entertainment and hobbies. Uranus is the planet of sudden change, disruptions, disturbances, rebellion, breaking free, the unconventional and surprises in general. It is nearly impossible to second guess what he's going to do. Even if you know something is coming, you'll still be surprised by what it is as he's entirely unpredictable. Thus, watch for something that you're completely not expecting to come along and compete with those efforts to restructure things.

There is one other aspect to address and that is a conjunction between Mercury and Venus which is in your 7th House of relationships. In the astrological context relationships this includes your significant other, close friends and relative, business partners, and professionals you interact with such as your financial advisor, accountant, hair stylist, attorney, dentist and so forth. This conjunction implies good news or favorable communications with one or more of these people. The pair is also trine the North Node which is also in your 3rd house up the road a bit from Pluto. The North Node brings something new into your life which should be something good, involve someone close to you and ultimately impact your thoughts, ideas, neighbors or siblings in some way.

The Full Moon on April 28 occurs in your Sign. If your birthday is between October 31 - November 2 this will be conjunct your Natal Sun and thus have more impact. Some of the aspects with this lunation are the same as those with the New Moon and have the same meaning as they did then. These include the quincunx between Saturn and Neptune and the opposition between Saturn and Uranus. New ones include a T-square between Mars and the Sun/Moon which sets up a conflict of some sort that will involve news or information regarding one or more people you know well and something related to your career, status or reputation. Just a reminder here on what "status" comprises here. Anything that includes a label or title belongs there, such as getting married or divorced, becoming a parent or your last child leaving home, becoming a property owner, opening a business, running for public office, receiving a promotion or being fired, getting arrested, and so forth. Anything that changes how you're viewed by the public will be reflected in this house. Since Mars is in that house, this implies you could come under attack by someone unless you take control of the energy and use it yourself, which should be pretty easy to do for a Scorpio.



Another quincunx besides the one hung over from the New Moon is there which comprises Venus and Pluto. Venus is in Gemini your 8th House of transformations, sex, death and regeneration, debt and shared resources. This implies some significant changes that could relate to love or money and will affect your thoughts, siblings or neighbors in some way. Pluto is also trining a conjunction between the Sun and Mercury, an excellent aspect for unearthing hidden information that pertains to someone close to you. There's no such thing as keeping a secret from a Scorpio, anyway, and this will strengthen that even more. A Full Moon typically brings an ending or culmination as well as the

potential for shifting to a different phase. With it occurring in your 1st House of personality it is going to affect you at a personal level.

Daily and Short-Term Aspects

April 2: News or information related to work or possibly someone you know well will necessitate an adjustment or change in direction due to something being restructured. Mercury goes into Taurus, facilitating communications with those close to you.

April 3: Interactions with members of the opposite sex could be tense today. If there's anyone out to get you, they may tip their hand today.

April 4: If you need to unearth some information about someone or something, this is an excellent day to do so. If you're simply looking for a good professional to assist you in some way, this is a great day for finding the right person. Confrontations or arguments are possible, so be sure to take a chill pill this morning.

April 6: Another favorable day for unearthing hidden information, coming up with probing ideas, or anything else along those lines as it pertains to someone you know well.

April 7: Saturn backs into Virgo, your 11th House of groups, friends, goals and so forth, encouraging restructuring in this part of your life. Pluto goes retrograde until September 14.

April 10: A change of course is on its way due to new information that comes your way and relates to that aggression in your house of status.

April 14: New Moon in Aries as described above.

April 17: A very favorable day to do something you enjoy and/or expand a relationship with a child or lover.

April 18: If you work from home or have a project you want to do there, this is a favorable day for gleaning a lot of inspiration on how to make it work. Mercury goes retrograde until May 10. This is a positive time to rethink, reconsider, re-plan, edit or generally redo something with regard to someone close to you.

April 19: A change of course is likely with regard to your work, health or service which will come as a result of networking or simply revising your goals.

April 20: The Sun goes into your polar sign, Taurus, highlighting and emphasizing your relationships.

April 23: Deploy your radar today and be on the lookout for deception, particularly from a female you know well. A child or lover may surprise you in some way or you may

have the unexpected opportunity to make some money through one of your creative endeavors.

April 24: A good day for networking or hanging out with friends or an organization. If someone invites you to such a gathering, by all means go as something good will come from it.

April 25: Venus enters Gemini, bringing her blessings to your house of transformations, sex, death, inheritances, shared resources, and so forth. This bodes well for intimacy or a financial windfall, two of Scorpios' favorite things. More information about that status or career issue will come your way either from or regarding someone close to you. This is another day that information previously hidden will come to light.

April 26: Expect the unexpected today regarding anything that has to do with your goals, organizational ties, networking, creative efforts, children or lovers.

April 28: Full Moon in Scorpio as described above. Another flood of information is likely.

April 29: Another adjustment or course change is coming your way that could be of a romantic or monetary nature. There's a lot of transformational energy out there, so be prepared for thoughts and experiences that take you somewhere you've never been before.

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