

Musings on Starlight

“Even as the industrial revolution could not occur until there was a massive shift in society’s view of work and wealth, so must an equally profound change in thinking regarding work and wealth occur before the next quantum leap in man’s social evolution can flourish... We are charting new ground.” Laurence G. Boldt *

One of the valuable gifts of astrology is the ability to view current events in a larger, symbolic context. Although it is not always reassuring, it can provide explanations and guidance.

Pluto will be in the sign of Capricorn for the next 15 years, bringing transformation to the realms of big business, banking and the corporate world. The kind of resistance encountered during this process is never minimal and it is visible now in the acrimony of the health care debate. It is also being enacted in the demonstrations at the G20 summit and similar gatherings.

The Sun entered Libra on the Autumn Equinox and with current influences will likely turn up the dissonance. And as planets enter the sign of Libra the sense of conflict is likely to increase. As is the sense of distortion.

Under the influence of the Saturn/Uranus opposition we are witnessing the breakdown of outmoded social, financial and political structures. These ongoing aspects have a personal side as well, as each of us adapts to the rapidly changing world around us.

During the first part of the month view conflicts that arise in personal or business relationships as an opportunity to respond in a less critical manner and grow in a more spiritual direction.

When faced with the choice of engaging conflict, it’s good to remember that any decision provides an opportunity to evolve our lives in a more harmonious direction.

Libra is an air sign and with the influences this month there is the tendency to overemphasize the importance of the conscious mind. Maintaining a balance between the realms of body, mind and spirit will be advantageous.

The Harvest Full Moon is October 4 EDT at 11 degrees of Aries. The Sabian symbol for this degree is **A Flock of Geese**. Geese fly together in tight formation and take turns leading the flock. This is a very good symbol for the Age of Aquarius with its egalitarian and humanitarian values. We need to work together and be mindful of each other.

In their migratory flight geese remind us of seasonal change and of the need for a rhythmic life which provides balanced times for work, play, rest and retreat.

Geese mate for life and this symbol talks about the need for equilibrium when advocating for the needs of self in partnership. There may be a need to reassess how these themes play out in our own lives and move forward in a more innovative direction in our relationships with other people.

Geese remind us too to network and find common ground and kindred spirits to get the job done.

From the 1st through the 10th Mercury will re enter the Saturn /Uranus opposition. Let go of unproductive thought patterns. Put new ideas to work in a positive way.

The Sun will enter Scorpio on 10/23.

Saturn will enter the sign of Libra on October 29 squaring Pluto at the solstice point. Change and evolution are coming at us fast. Make sure to allow plenty of quiet, restorative time during November.

“Whoever you are, no matter how lonely,
the world offers itself to your imagination,
calls to you like the wild geese, harsh and exciting —
over and over announcing your place
in the family of things.”Mary Oliver