



Starlight Message from Gloria Star

Autumnal Equinox 2017

The 2017 Sun Cycle in Libra Issue

As the wheel of the year continues to turn, we reach the Autumnal Equinox -- the time when light and dark each have an equal influence. But it is fleeting ... as

we now enter the period when the balance shifts. While some cycles coming into focus provide the impetus for breakaway and revolutionary change, others show a desire to escape to a more peaceful zone for the next few weeks. The challenge to maintain equilibrium will certainly make itself known, although what feels just right to you might not always work so well for others in your personal sphere of influence.

When the **Sun's rays shift into Libra's zone on September 22nd** (4:02 PM EDT) we enter a period known for the emerging desire to experience harmony -- a time when quid pro quo stands a better chance of working positively. Relationships are a Libran specialty, or, at the least, a strong priority. Although indecision may seem to run rampant, this can be an excellent time to negotiate. But before you think it's all sweetness and light, it's also the time when arguments may flare out of control ... until a good Libra arbitrator comes along to help smooth things over, that is.

Trouble is, when the Libra cycle starts, there's a challenge in the works represented by **expansive Jupiter (traveling in Libra) in an opposition to revolutionary Uranus**. This cycle first emerged in December 2016 and has been a major influence since that time. Many of the issues that sparked rebellion then continue to manifest now. This opposition **peaks for the last time on September 28th**. On the climate front, this opposing pair shows the effects of disruptive Uranus expressed in an extreme and exaggerated level (the influence in Jupiter.) While this is a destabilizing period, it's also a time when alternative actions and ideas gain a broader audience. The effect can be positive or negative, and Truth shines light on the productive path. But we've also seen damage to social institutions. Witness the current political climate -- world-wide. It's no surprise that hyperbole seems to be the order of the day now, with Jupiter's powers of exaggeration feeding off Uranus' rebellious expression of individuality. It's been a period when plenty of shake-ups have been going on in the world. However, the after-effects can feel like shell-shock, and many situations have resulted in extreme destruction. One example of this cycle manifesting is shown in the Russian experiments using current technologies to disrupt political processes.



There is hope that more positive results will prevail. Visionary innovation is encouraged now, particularly during the rebuilding phase ahead. And another expression of Jupiter -- involving the politics and laws of a nation -- can move society into a brighter future. Or, for example, we might now be able to see both sides of an issue, resulting from these two forces opposing one another, while the prime negotiator, Libra, takes the lead. This opposition prompts us to seek out "the middle way," and to identify what is common ground. Perhaps there is potential, after all, for the legislative process (a Jupiter-ruled endeavor) to emerge with a unique approach (Uranus) to resolving some of our most daunting challenges. Call me an optimist.

The influence of Jupiter opposition Uranus remains strong through October 5th, when Jupiter then gallops away into the last degrees of Libra. Bah...bye! In the meantime, there are a few issues revolving around clarity and transparency to be considered -- thanks to Venus and Mars running into the fog machine of Neptune. Talk about an opportunity for "spin." It will be interesting to see how the **propaganda machine is working from September 23rd - 30th**, when the desire for sympathetic action might be there, but when close-minded differences in ideology and belief systems will thwart progress.

On a personal level, this first week of the Sun in Libra is a time to listen to your heart and become more attuned to your values. We are invited to forgive and allow compassion to soften some of those harsh edges so that sensitive subjects can be explored with tolerance and understanding. It can also be an exceptional time to share artistry, experience beauty, and seek experiences that transcend the ordinary. Romantics rejoice!



Mercury shifts signs on September 29th, traveling swiftly through Libra until October 17th. Be aware that this can be a good time to open discussion or negotiation, although final decision-making might be frustrating. The value of opposing viewpoints may be more evident, however. It's one of those periods when we can more easily see what that phrase, "It's all relative," actually means!

Breakthroughs are definitely possible as we near the time of the Harvest Moon on October 5th (2:40 PM EDT). This **Full Moon in Aries** bears the signature of a time to share ideas and to listen to one another. A special cosmic perk is present, since the Full Moon occurs when Venus and Mars join together in Virgo. Both planets have moved away from their opposition to Neptune, and for a few days at least the potential for harmonious action is strong. **October 4th-7th can be the best period to address personal issues, but also can be stellar for a new romance.** Regeneration of finances and progress on economic levels gain traction October 2nd-5th -- good dates to showcase your talents, ideas, and creative projects.

Get ready for a powerful shift when **Jupiter heads into Scorpio on October 10th**, remaining in Scorpio until November 2018, marking a time when there's likely to be growth and opportunity in the medical fields, and this also extends to a focus on medical care and insurance. In fact, while Jupiter moves through Scorpio, the laws connected to health and medical care can be positively enhanced. Sensitive issues involving sexuality may become more predominate in the courts during this cycle.

Jupiter's energy expands and fosters growth and opportunity, and coupling with the qualities of Scorpio marks a time when getting to the core of some difficult issues can lead to positive change. It can be a period of true metamorphosis in cultural and philosophical ideals as well. Yet there will be a tendency for some to stubbornly act against their own best interests. This can be especially so when deep emotional wounds are at the core of such life issues.

In case you're wondering, those of you with an emphasis in the signs Scorpio, Pisces, Cancer, Capricorn or Virgo may experience the most positive opportunities resulting from Jupiter's transit for the next year.

There's plenty of **tension involving values and finances from October 6th - 10th**, when communication may also be snarled. With friction between the Sun, Mercury and Pluto, and also disharmony between Venus and Saturn -- it can be difficult to encourage progress or change. Things that were hidden are likely to come to the surface, and investigations may yield damaging or disturbing results. Also during this time issue-riddled relationships can reach an impasse or an end. It's definitely time to determine how you truly feel and whether or not a situation has any value to your life.

Communication takes a major turn October 17th when Mercury enters Scorpio, and for the next 72 hours, Mercury unites with Jupiter. This could be a turning point on many levels, but particularly in areas of research or investigation. Just in time for the **Libra New Moon on October 19th** (3:12 PM), when a fresh direction invites us to get things started and to move forward with confidence. Innovation and change gain real traction now, since the Sun and Moon are challenged by their opposition to revolutionary Uranus. If anything signals change, this is it! Expect restless energy to take the lead, and unexpected actions or attitudes to show up at what might seem to be an inconvenient moment.

It certainly looks like the shifting seasons offer up a change in perspective. Hopefully, we will take the opportunity to embrace what we know to be truly valuable, and to share the bounty of our lives with one another.

In need of a more personal perspective regarding how the cosmic cycles are working in your life? Please contact me if you wish to schedule a consultation.



Peace and Light,
Gloria

EVENTS:

October 21, 2017: Lecture presentation in Portsmouth, NH. The program starts at 10 AM and ends at 12 Noon. The topic is: ***Life Reading: Astrology Marks the Major Milestones.*** This event will take place at Astrocom (StarCraft Publishing), 68A Fogg

Road, Epping, New Hampshire. For information about registration or other questions,

please contact Dorothy Morgan, Email: seacoastastrological@gmail.com, or by phone at (603) 491-8495.

May 24-30, 2018: UAC 2018: "Celebrating Earth & Sky," Chicago, Illinois. UAC is the largest astrology conference in the world, and offers an amazing opportunity to experience astrology, attend classes, and meet others who "speak the language!" I'm presenting two lectures at UAC 2018. Plus, there will be limited time for personal consultations while I'm in Chicago, so do get in touch if you want to schedule an appointment. Details to follow. For more information about UAC 2018, check out the website: www.uacastrology.com.

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