



SCORPIO 2017 NEWSLETTER Compliments of Alice DeVille

Welcome to the season of beautiful landscapes and nature's best colors. The fall harvest is ready and holiday planning is on the agenda. Halloween falls on Tuesday this year giving trick-or-treaters a whole weekend to invent unique costumes to wear while they troll for treats. The deep, rich earth of autumn is Scorpio's signature and matches the passion that Scorpio, our celebrant, puts into every goal and dream. Honor your favorite Scorpio with a beautiful meal at home or at a favorite restaurant and encourage them to share cherished plans. You'll be the inspiration for joy.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congratulations to RC on winning the September client drawing; October's client drawing is a \$10 gift certificate to apply to a future session; all clients who book an appointment of one hour or more are automatically entered to win. **Cyber security** has escalated to all-time highs and many of the people you do business with, including ISPs are sending warnings. Thieves continue to send phony messages saying they are from FedEx, UPS, your i-Phone provider or Apple store - do not open any attachments - and are looking for payment or sending you an invoice. Misspellings are tell-tale clues in the correspondence. When in doubt call your provider directly. Be sure to have your credit checked by all three bureaus if you have reason to suspect yours has been breached. You can get free credit checks from each bureau yearly; you will have to pay for the scores, although many of your credit card or mortgage companies provide them as part of the service each month. After recent U.S. disasters, you may be targeted to donate funds; be sure to check out organizations on the safe list before parting with cash. **Astrology Signs Have Changed Rumor:** It's fall, so this rumor is out again. Pay no attention -your sign is the same.

DATES TO REMEMBER IN THIS CYCLE:

- October 31:** Halloween
- November 5:** Daylight Savings Time Ends at 2:00 AM - Turn Clock Back 1 Hour...zzz
- November 7:** General Election Day - get out and vote.
- November 13:** Veterans' Day; observed as a legal holiday

SCORPIO'S BIRTHDAY SUMMARY

Happy Birthday, Scorpio! Yours is the 8th sign of the Zodiac, the 3rd of 4 fixed signs, and the 2nd of 3 water signs. Pluto is your natural ruler (Mars also claims original ownership) with dominion over the deep space-oriented 8th House of other people's money, resources from joint funds or unusual places, psychological matters, mysteries, sex, death, birth, rebirth, estate matters, mortgage loans, goods of the dead, consumer debt, crimes, assets or investments as well as liabilities, the subconscious, and complex human needs. You have a passionate spirit, show determination, can be very stubborn and take obligations seriously. Many of you rise out of the ashes like the phoenix when the going gets tough and bounce back via rebirth of your psyche. Some Scorpions build scotomas and embrace martyrdom, act skeptical or have a pessimistic view of life - you can change the picture though. If you are in that place you could be receiving assistance from transiting Pluto in Capricorn to help dissolve those edgy moods. Your colors are dark reds, maroon, magenta, oxblood, wine, dark browns, and black. Uplifting experiences help you heal internally and aid in problem solving. Scorpio rules the private parts of the body; all 30 degrees of your sign relate to one of them. This year the Sun enters Scorpio on October 23 at 1:27 AM EDT and leaves on November 21 at 10:05 PM EST. Some material in the following section may apply to individuals with Scorpio on the Ascendant and/or other Scorpio planets, including the Moon.

Scorpio, your birthday year starts out with **Jupiter in your sign as of October 10** which activates your solar 1st House of appearance, action, health, independence, initiative, passion and self-interest. You have the Law of attraction working in your favor, a chance to add accomplishments and acquisitions to your life after purging what you don't need in the cycle leading up to your birthday. Single Scorpions find admirers taking notice. This could be the year your status changes. You know you love the sexy ones. You may have more than one celebration in the works and that means enjoying rich foods and exotic drinks; keep moving to avoid weight gain. On **November 9, 2018 Jupiter changes signs and moves to Sagittarius** and your solar 2nd House of income, resources, assets, career and other developmental activity, and people connected with money sources. Get ready to enjoy the fruits of your labor via raises, promotions and bonuses. **Saturn in Sagittarius through December 19, 2017 highlights your solar 2nd House of income, resources, self-development plans, discretionary income and money sources or people who have links to your financial plans.** Those of you born November 14-22 are in the middle of serious financial changes, budget development, property investment, repairs to structures, taking serious time out to further your education and adjusting to conditions that affect available resources. **When Saturn enters your 3rd House in Capricorn on December 20th,** you will be dealing with community matters, relatives such as siblings, cousins and nieces or nephews; education, transportation, and all facets of communication, especially those of you born October 22-November 1. Work on any important plans including new jobs, retirement, house buying, education, funding for a new car. Be prepared for communication to get testy, especially if you run into very stubborn types and have a standoff. Some Scorpions may take on added responsibility at work or in the community. Be on the lookout for the perfect new position and prepare for the future. **Uranus in Aries** traveling through your Solar 6th House especially affects **Scorpio individuals born November 15-22** from now through May 15, 2018 when it changes signs and enters your opposite sign, Taurus, for the next 7 years in your solar 7th House

of partners. For the next 6+ months, Uranus' signature brings shake-ups that may occur in work, conditions with co-workers, health irregularities, various aspects of the daily grind, pets, fitness, shifting agendas, organizational skill, diet and your digestive system. Hopefully you already know what is aggravating your ulcer or making you tense, so make sure you follow the rules of intervention. Patience was fine temporarily while you sorted out details but now you need action. Identify the players that are important to decisions. When Uranus moves to Taurus, you will gain a new perspective on personal, business and public partners. This trend mostly affects Scorpios born October 22-24 and then while retrograde in motion, Uranus returns to Aries in November 2018, affects those of you born November 20-22 and lasts through March 6, 2019. Uranus thrives on creating unstable or unexpected conditions. Look closely at dynamics if your birthday falls on the dates listed in this section. Where are you experiencing change or feeling anxiety because your world is spinning out of control? Stay positive to attract a successful outcome. **Transiting Pluto in Capricorn** also affects this house from your 3rd House of mental outlook and communication and feels the vibes from Uranus in Aries that add urgency to find solutions. You are a survivor, Scorpio, so do your thing. **Neptune is in Pisces all through your birthday cycle and connects with your Sun through the end of 2018 if you are born November 2-9 while it moves through your 5th House of children, dating, vacations, social life, recreation, sports, risk-taking and romance. Currently Neptune is retrograde until November 22nd.** The 5th is a romantic house and a Pisces Neptune favors your Scorpio planets. The soft qualities of Neptune may be helpful in mending fences, communicating openly about feelings, healing fractured relationships and shows why it is important to be sensitive to others' feelings. Encourage honest communication with others, including children who may be afraid to express themselves. Knock down a few barriers to have a more satisfying emotional outlook. Take down some of those walls and stop blaming confused feelings for why you are blocking change. You deserve to embrace happiness if you have been down, so let go of fears and move forward. Check out the essence of new people and accept a few dates if single. Let your magnetism shine while you embrace the Law of Attraction. **Pluto in Capricorn in your solar 3rd House of communication, computer equipment and cell phones, cyber security, education, mental outlook and how your mind works, people who live near you, cousins, siblings, the neighborhood, transportation, and technology most favorably affects those of you born November 9-16 in the year ahead and prepares you to work on a variety of mental challenges before making decisions.** What you say has a powerful effect on others, so watch those Scorpio zingers when communicating to avoid fracturing relationships. The power of your words can deliver crushing blows when Pluto clashes with Uranus in your 6th House of daily routines off and on during this cycle. What is going on in your home or work environments? You'll have to get to the bottom of perplexing situations and work through dynamics involving colleagues, siblings, neighbors, close relatives and those who communicate with you on a routine basis. For many of you this could be a break-through year when you transform your appearance and your life. What must go - people or conditions? Be prepared to shed and say good-bye. Use the gifts associated with this transit of Pluto in Capricorn and assimilate the newly-evolving information that changes your life goals. You attract success by sharing your insight with others. **Mars is the original ruler of Scorpio and still holds an important place in your chart despite the rulership of Pluto.** Your solar chart will have an unusually long visit from Mars in Aquarius for the greater part of the year in your solar 4th House of home and family due to the long retrograde period as Mars dashes in and out of Aquarius from

May 16-November 15. If other planets occupy this house, each of them will get a visit or two from Mars. Things are bound to heat up in terms of disagreements, arguments, or disputes with children, spouses, partners or parents and others who live with you. Wherever rigid conditions or opinions prevail, expect a shakeup, a departure, a move away from the status quo. Let go of those who seek freedom and let them learn the life lessons that surround the issues. Change happens. Find your spirit and humor and move into stable territory.

A total of 7 eclipses affect your sign between now and the beginning of your next birthday cycle. **You are still under the influence of the last lunar eclipse that took place on August 7, 2017, in Aquarius in your 4th House** of home, family, base of operation, domestic conditions, and home improvements. The sign of this eclipse challenged your Sun sign and offered a new look on how you are communicating and how you address priorities that affect other family members. You may have felt the effect of this eclipse emerging in July and feel the nervous energy as you attempt to break free. Perhaps you are in the process of moving or rejecting edgy situations to find release. Make living conditions as compatible as possible while you work out the fractured and uncomfortable facets of your life. Laughter goes a long way. **The last and very powerful solar eclipse of 2017 fell in late Leo on August 21 in your solar 10th House of authority, responsibility, career and ambition and family status.** If you haven't already moved on from either undesirable work and living conditions, or communicated effectively with individuals with whom you have differences of opinion, you could be experiencing pain and disillusion in relationships. This eclipse is a game changer - it shakes up the status quo regarding life conditions, career and family. Be sure to find a new job or make a career change. Some of you will take a sabbatical, retire or move. Look for ways to enjoy a greater quality of life that includes freedom or fulfillment of desired goals. **In 2018 you will experience 5 eclipses. The momentum of the last eclipse of 2017 continues with the impact of the first Lunar Eclipse of 2018 which falls on January 31st in Leo in your 10th House of family status, ambition, and life goals.** So much of what you dealt with in 2017 needs resolution and will continue to claim your attention whether it is the angst or the glory. Go after your goals if you are making changes in the career field, and if you have a difficult company exec who makes life miserable, consider heading for greener pastures. **Two weeks later, on February 15, 2018, the first Solar Eclipse of 2018 occurs in Aquarius in your 4th House of home and foundations. If you have planets there around 27 degrees, things heat up and conjure up the unfinished business that blasted your life in 2017.** Don't be shy about addressing issues and acknowledging the need for change. If you take steps to let go of areas where you have been procrastinating, life in 2018 can be much more rewarding. This eclipse influences your life through the first half of 2019. **The 3rd Eclipse of 2018 is also a Solar eclipse and this time falls in Cancer in your Solar 9th House of spiritual insight, travel, relocation, publishing, higher education, journeys, and people at a distance.** The eclipse opposes transiting retrograde Pluto in Capricorn in your solar 3rd house of communication, a sign that uncovers mysteries in depth and clarifies facts and misunderstandings. If your thought processes have been clouded by anger, you will have a chance to see the light and clear the air. Relationship dynamics highlight your conversations. **On July 27, 2018, a total lunar eclipse occurs in Aquarius in your solar 4th House of home and family and may involve parents, people in your home environment, matters needing attention at home base and where you live in general.** Now is the time to finish up what you started back in February and to

complete goals to move, address details that may have been overlooked, finalize plans, help others relocate or furnish a new home. You could be very busy sorting out personal belongings or decorating while engaging in a new job. **Finally, on August 11, the last eclipse of 2018 occurs in Leo in your solar 10th House of career, status, ambition, family and authority.** If you have done a good job in your career environment, you may be receiving accolades from the top brass; some of you are engaged in a new line of work and other Scorpios are in retirement mode. Regarding family status matters that may be pending, get ready to act, clear up misunderstandings and enjoy bonding with those who mean the most to you. Eclipses here give credit to accomplishments or criticism for misses, so be sure to demonstrate a quality performance and excellent attitude. Accelerate understanding of others' viewpoints by listening carefully and seeing more of the big picture. Scorpios experience a very active social period with entertainment, sports and recreational opportunities. This eclipse stays active for at least 6- 12 months providing insight into choices that lie ahead. **The signs most prominent during the 2017-18 eclipse cycles are: Leo, Aquarius and Cancer.** Also affected but less intensely unless a degree of one of these eclipses affects a house or planet degree in your chart are Capricorn, Scorpio and Taurus. The information in this section may also apply to those of you with Scorpio Ascendants, a stellium of planets in Scorpio or the Moon in Scorpio. Check for details with your astrologer.

Scorpio birthdays include: Joaquin Phoenix, Ryan Reynolds, Nancy Grace, Pele, Dwight Yokam, "Weird Al" Yankovic, Katy Perry, Condoleezza Rice, Caitlyn Jenner, Seth MacFarlane, Hillary Clinton, Kevin Kline, Cary Elwes, Pat Sajak, Cat Deeley, Y.A. Tittle, Annie Potts, Barron Hilton, Doug Flutie, Sasha Cohen, Emma Stone, Michael Strahan, Greta Browner, Tracy Nelson, Rita Wilson, Brad Paisley, Dylan McDermott, F. Murray Abraham, Kelly Osbourne, John Cleese, Anne Hathaway, Bill Gates, Charlie Daniels, Dennis Franz, Julia Roberts, Bruce Jenner, Sanjay Gupta, Helen Reddy, Monica, BD Wong, Ang Lee, Richard Dreyfuss, Roberto Benigni, Curtis Stone, Christian Siriano, David Ortiz, Chloe Sevigny, Gabrielle Union, Ryan Gosling, Winona Ryder, Henry Winkler, Jane Pauley, Jenny McCarthy, Larry Flynt, k.d. Lang, Pat Buchanan, Roseanne, Sean Combs, Matthew McConaughey, Sam Shepard, Tatum O'Neal, Ethan Hawke, Maria Shriver, Sally Field, Joni Mitchell, Parker Posey, Nick Lachey, Brittany Murphy, Calista Flockhart, Demi Moore, Leonardo DiCaprio, David Schwimmer, Chris Noth, Brenda Vaccaro, Linda Evans, Delroy Lindo, Elizabeth Perkins, Oscar Nunez, Kevin, Nealon, Mike Epps, Whoopi Goldberg, Prince Charles, Sam Waterson, Lisa Bonet, Danny DeVito, Martin Scorsese, Linda Evans, Owen Wilson, Larry King, Calvin Klein, Jodie Foster, Bo Derek, Bjork, Bobby Kennedy, Ezra Pound, George Eliot, Dylan Thomas, Evelyn Waugh and Goldie Hawn.

PLANETS in ACTION OCTOBER 23 through NOVEMBER 21

Uranus, Neptune and Chiron are retrograde now. I have heard from several readers who are feeling the effects of the erratic energy - some feel sad, some feel uneasy; others feel like a big shift is coming - all compliments of the position of planets in their charts and the shakiness in the Universe. **Mercury starts out in Scorpio through November 6** paving the way to dig into hidden or messier topics that need to be addressed. **Then Mercury moves into Sagittarius for the rest of this cycle** bringing out a feeling of restlessness, ideas about how to celebrate holidays and making travel plans. **Mars moves to Libra on October 23rd** and energizes the lives of

each Libra for a day or two during the cycle with particular emphasis on relationship dynamics. Use diplomacy in handling sticky situations and you come out ahead.

Jupiter in Scorpio most affects those born October 23-November 3 with the conjunction on their suns; these individuals have decisions to make regarding how to spend their money, how to spot growth opportunities, determine the best options for purchasing goods and saving money, where to invest and how to reap personal benefits. Work with integrity and be fair to others; keep commitments unless extenuating circumstances prevent you from honoring them. Also benefiting are those Cancers born June 22-July 2, and Pisces born February 18-29. Globally the best time of the month to socialize or engage in harmonious discussions are mid-November from the 13th through 17th. Venus meets Jupiter to help the discussions. **Saturn is direct in Sagittarius during this cycle traveling over 24-26 degrees of the sign and most affecting those born December 16-18 as it moves toward completion in this sign on December 19. With a beneficial boost from a Grand Trine in fire signs - Saturn in Sagittarius, Uranus in Aries and the Moon's North Node in Leo, now is an excellent time to pursue new enterprises.** Enjoy success also if you are an Aries born April 14-17 and Leo born August 16-19. Those born with these degrees in Gemini, Virgo and Pisces may experience challenges or wide awakenings. Work through shaky information or assumptions and revise plans to put your goals in motion. **Uranus in Aries** is retrograde traveling over the 26th and 25th degrees of the sign and **most affecting Aries born April 18-20.** Those born in the other Cardinal signs, Cancer, Capricorn and Libra with planets at 26-25 degrees should follow similar advice, while the fire signs Leo and Sagittarius with these degrees may get an unexpected boost of confidence, a raise or a windfall. The trine mentioned under Saturn gives you a boost in momentum. Enjoy success. **On the 7th, Uranus opposes Vesta, the focus Goddess,** so table any plans to make major investments, quit your job or retire through November 15. Those of you who have been in a rut may have the strong urge to buck tradition and do things your own way. Release is welcome. Almost daily you will hear dialog challenging information and an urge for the truth; speak up if you know it. The Middle East continues to be one of the world's most challenging areas along with North Korea and The Kremlin - no friend of the U.S. **Neptune in Pisces** has been retrograde since June 18 and turns stationary direct on November 24. It most affects those born March 1-3 who will be relieved when the fog lifts and the truth emerges. Once clarity kicks in you gain a new outlook on life. Others most affected by this transit are Geminis, Virgos and Sagittarians born with the Sun at 11 degrees of their signs who are experiencing shifting life conditions and seek the truth in critical areas such as the work place, health, home or relationships. Cancers, Scorpios, Tauruses and Capricorns make plans to remove blocks in diverse departments of life. Allergic reactions to medications and the environment are way up this fall. Take precautions. Saturn at a challenging aspect to Neptune from the 18th through 26th can be destructive for images and reputations. Illusions disappear and truth emerges. Mars squares Pluto on November 19th; watch your temper and avoid contentious encounters. Find balance, be diplomatic but firm and say what you mean.

Pluto in Capricorn is direct during this cycle and most affects those born January 6-8 hovering at 17 degrees affecting the other cardinal signs with placements at that number - Cancer, Aries, and Libra; these vibes are challenging and make you think twice before acting. Where do they fall in your chart? Check it out and learn options for releasing blocks and solving problems. Pluto brings up buried actions and feelings through this cycle that can lead to fractured relationships on a personal and a global

level. Watch the headlines. Seek resolution by asking questions and listening to facts. Lessons for leaders who don't value teams are brewing. The Scorpio cycle is ideal for reorganization and rebirth. Free up the resentment in your world and have fun!

Chiron the Wounded Healer is in Pisces in retrograde status at 24 degrees and affects individuals born March 14-16. Find ways to let go of whatever reminds you of a negative past and release the associated anger. Walk, stretch muscles, practice yoga, meditate and visualize perfect health. Find your bliss and attract joy again.

LUNAR/SOLAR CYCLES

October 23: Sun Enters Scorpio, 1:27 AM EDT

November 4: Full Moon in Taurus, 1:23 AM EDT, 11°♄ 59' Super Moon

November 18: New Moon in Scorpio, 6:42 AM EST, 26°♃ 19'

November 21: Sun enters Sagittarius, 10:05 PM EST

PEOPLE, PLACES AND TOPICS IN THE NEWS:

Many readers commented on this section related to last month's findings of how the planets affected key cities and states on the paths of Hurricanes Harvey and Irma. I appreciate that you took the time to let me know of your interest. This month readers are keyed up about slow recovery and support for those still without power, food and homes as a result of these and other hurricanes that affected U.S. citizens in Puerto Rico and The Virgin Islands. The horrible annihilation in **Las Vegas** also captured the interest of many readers wanting details about the perpetrator. The **Harvey Weinstein** fiasco also generated many comments; he is Pisces born March 19 with Mars in hard aspect to Pluto (sexual exploits). I covered his chart years ago related to film successes and choose not to cover his exploits at this time. Still others shared concerns over divisive hostility that prevents us from living in harmony and want to know why the leadership quality of unity is missing.

The White House: Too much tweeting, undoing what we already have, name calling and denigrating others, manufacturing facts; denying what is already public knowledge; not enough action to provide security to the nation, including health care; validation of the planetary positions and strong eclipse hits that are just as destructive as any storms and have been highlighted in various newsletters over the past few years; Pluto in the President's chart suggests something big is going on behind-the-scenes. Mars and Pluto aspects of this caliber hint that military moves are under consideration and the ever-present threat of Russiagate. Every time I examine the President's chart I see critical planetary aspects related to nuclear weapons, open enemies, manipulation and secret enemies ready to pounce; firing key players and loss of political alliances replaced by those whose interests are very different from traditional U.S. values. Every eclipse is going to escalate matters. It would take a couple of newsletters to explore in depth. The next 8 months present many challenges. Stay tuned.

Readers also asked about contestants on the popular **DANCING WITH THE STARS** show now in the middle of Season 25 with 9 contestants remaining - almost too many to cover. The season concludes around the time the Sagittarius newsletter goes out in November so I will cover the charts of the final contestants and their partners at that time. Several very talented dancers have captured votes and remain in the

competition: **Sagittarius** Frankie Muniz, **Aries** Jordan Fisher, **Virgo** Lindsay Stirling, **Scorpio** Nick Lachey, **Libra** Victoria Arlen, **Aries** Drew Scott, **Scorpio** Vanessa Lachey, **Sagittarius** Terrell Owens and **Scorpio** Nikki Bella. So far, the strongest scores have gone to Jordan Fisher, Lindsay Stirling, Victoria Arlen and Frankie Muniz. Who is your favorite? Be sure to vote! Stay tuned!

Stephen Paddock, the mad shooter at the Mandalay Bay hotel on October 1, managed to mask his motives for the act of terrorism that took the lives of 58 concertgoers and wounded nearly 500 others who were attending the Route 91 Harvest Music Festival by using guns outfitted with bump stocks that allow rifles to be fired more rapidly. In all of 10 minutes the deadliest mass shooting in modern U.S. records took place. Paddock was an Aries born April 9 in Clinton, Iowa. While Uranus (destruction, chaos, sudden events) in his 12th House (secret activities) in Cancer opposed transiting Pluto in Capricorn, his Sun in Aries squared these planets from the 10th House of fame and infamy. By progressing the cluster of planets in his natal 10th and 11th Houses, six of these planets moved to his 12th House of self-undoing and treachery, often the sign of an individual who has mental disorders or is losing touch with reality. Aspects to Mars, Mercury and Black Moon Lilith show deep rage that put him out of touch with the real world. No doubt his reported diagnosis for anxiety and high blood pressure could be traced to his state of mind, level of anger and simmering violence. Astrologers worldwide are sure to examine the complex facets of his chart and help interpret his destructive patterns.

Rocco Dispirito, a **Scorpio** born **November 19** in Queens, New York City is a TV personality appearing on multiple networks, a former restaurant owner, TV Show host, author of several Italian cookbooks, frequent competitor on Food Network's Shows and Bravo's Top Chef. He often appeared on television cooking with his mother, Nicolina, who died in 2013. Rocco's chart shows an abundance of fixed planets (5 placements in Scorpio, 3 in Leo, one in Aquarius and the Moon's North Node in Taurus). The water element dominates his chart and besides his dominant Scorpio stellium includes several Pisces planets and Ceres in Cancer, a connection for him of his mother's fondness for preparing food. The placement of the Moon's North Node in his solar 6th house of the work environment shows his preference for elegant well-prepared dishes that he enjoys showcasing in his beautifully executed cookbooks. Most of his fixed planets will be affected by the Leo/Aquarius eclipses over the next two years. He will be engaged in clearing up legal disputes, personal problems and new business ventures. His foray into healthier eating will get a boost during 2018 when Pluto in Capricorn moves into favorable aspect to his natal Pluto in Virgo in his 10th House of career.

READERS CORNER

With so much going on in the world now - earthquakes, hurricanes, mass shootings and the uncertainty of health care options, readers have expressed anxiety. Several wrote in to ask about the aspects in the charts of the victims in Las Vegas. Employment matters are a frequent astrology topic so I am including a query from a reader related to hiring. Thank you for your interest.

Q. I am a hiring manager for a 170+ employee company so I meet every hire and interview each person sometimes more than once to determine suitability for

employment with this firm. I am so embarrassed by my oversight with a critical matter. In early August I made a huge mistake in hiring a man for a management position that oversees a team of 14 specialists. He is not working out well yet his salary falls in the top 15 percent in the firm and he occupies a key position. So far one person left, two people requested transfers and one asked for a detail to another area. He seems to lack the type of people skills that motivate others in a positive manner, gives unclear or little direction and does not make himself available to his team to discuss goals and strategies. Rumor has it that he does not engage much with the team nor seems to understand how they work together and interface with other groups to successfully complete work projects. I don't know how I missed some of his management shortfalls during the initial interview and had no record of his responses to 5 relevant questions I normally ask. Please shed light on what is happening in my chart. I was born November 7. What approach should I take in handling this situation and making a recommendation to management? The employee was born May 6.

A. The quote of the month in the section below fits your situation. Your Scorpio Sun (leadership and energy) received a hard aspect from the August 7 lunar eclipse in Aquarius and your Mercury (communication) in late Scorpio was in harsh aspect to the mega solar eclipse in Leo on August 21. During most of this time, Mercury was also retrograde in troublesome aspect to your natal Mercury especially as the final interview took place with this candidate and he started work. His Sun in Taurus opposes yours and received a blitz from the August 7 eclipse that got him into the spotlight for consideration, so he probably interviewed well and had an excellent resume. Meanwhile his natal Moon in late Aries was receiving a strong conjunction from transiting Uranus in Aries, often a sign that stability is not present and the job may not last. Your initial interview had an aura of confusion around it since it occurred on the day of the eclipse and energy was very high (not usually a good day to make major decisions). Since he is already on the job it may be too late to address the missing questions but it is time to set up a meeting with him to find out how he thinks the job is going. You can ask him what he feels are his best accomplishments to date before addressing concerns. Once you lay out the problems that have come up with performance and staff relationships, you might have an opportunity to discuss what you wanted to know during the interview that is critical to his position. You will gain insight from what he communicates and can possibly strengthen your argument for making changes. Has his boss communicated disappointment in results yet? Since things are not off to a good start with staff leaving or requesting new assignments, you are not out of line in assessing performance before the first three months are up. Be prepared to lay out expectations and suggest corrections adding a firm deadline for making improvements. Follow-up monthly to avoid surprises to determine if there are any glitches. If this is a person who looks good on paper but cannot deliver, you will have to decide whether he can stay or go. Is training available in the company to address his performance shortfalls? Was he provided with new employee orientation? Perhaps you can determine if he is a better fit elsewhere in the company. I wish you much success.

Q. Several readers asked me if I can see sudden death in charts related to the tragedy in Las Vegas and the spate of deadly hurricanes, earthquakes and tornados. Individuals wanted to know what the victims had in common in their charts.

A. If you have consulted with me in the past, you know that I am not interested in predicting the death of clients, their contacts and their loved ones even though they are valid concerns. Do I see death? Yes, sometimes I do, yet I am a firm believer in free will and the soul/person leaves the planet when they feel they have done all they came here to do in a lifetime. Often, I will discreetly inquire about the health of individuals or ask if they are seeing medical specialists; depending on the circumstances, I may even suggest it. Every chart is different so while “sudden death” was a common theme this summer as we dealt with raging storms and the largest massacre on American soil in Las Vegas, the proof fell in different houses of their charts. The 8th House in an individual’s chart shows the manner of death while the 4th House of the chart shows what conditions were like at the end of the life. The 1st House describes aspects and/or dangers in the physical presence of an individual and the 6th House describes an individual’s health and the environment; if the event takes place at a distance from the individual’s residence or place of birth, aspects often show up in the 9th House of long-distance locations or can show up in the 3rd House of local travel/neighborhoods. In these cases, treacherous weather conditions turned the environment into a death trap for those living in the paths of the storms, and are still affecting the quality of life for survivors who have no power and lost their homes. Mars aspects are often indicators of death by fire from guns, actual fire, terrorism and treachery which played a big part in the devastating end for those individuals who were in the path of Stephen Paddock’s October 1 rampage from the Mandalay Bay Hotel who fired on attendees at the Route 91 Harvest Music Festival. Weapons affiliated with the 8th House of death; floods and heavy rain with Neptune and the 12th House; sudden events with Uranus and the 11th House and Saturn with the 10th House describing restrictions and limitations that may be imposed. The 4th House represents the base of operation as well as the end of life. Individuals who perished during these venues had aspects to planets in one or more of these critical houses and no doubt the degrees related to planetary activity on the day of the events and to recent eclipses or planetary transits that were operating in individual charts. Only in-depth comparison of their charts will tell the story of what their charts have in common.

Thank you to all who sent in comments on Libra’s newsletter.

QUOTE OF THE MONTH: *“Our greatest glory is not in never failing but in rising every time we fall” ... Confucius*

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Information about the sign of the month is general and based on solar charts. Material may not address the actual activity in your natal chart. If this is your birthday month or if you are interested in learning more about how the current cycles are affecting you, call me to schedule an appointment for a personal consultation or a coaching session. Refer a friend who could use a new perspective and receive a \$15 discount toward your next consultation. I look forward to hearing from you.

Enjoy the glorious days of autumn,

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