



## **TAURUS 2018 NEWSLETTER** **Compliments of** **Alice DeVille**

The planet of love, Venus, rules Taurus and showers this cycle with an aura of security and contentment. The Love Goddess shares her magic gifts to grace your landscape with a gorgeous display of flowering shrubs, plants and trees. Gardeners have a field day prepping the soil for warm weather fruits and veggies, while patio planters tend to fragrant herbs. Taurus made the “green thumb” famous and responds to all things beautiful in the home and green space. Pamper Taurus with gifts that include self-development seminars, mountain vacations, a subscription to a gardening magazine, unique ventures, cooking programs, musical venues and classy suppers. Taurus loves attention so extend an invitation to a play, an elegant dinner, or a concert to celebrate the birthday event.

### **IMPORTANT DATES**

- April 22:** Earth Day
- April 25:** Administrative Professionals Day
- May 1:** May Day
- May 5:** Cinco de Mayo
- May 13:** Mothers' Day

**ALERTS:** Note that if you are ordering from vendors on line and having them send packages or gifts to others, they are now requesting that you contact the parties to let them know to expect a package and the approximate date of arrival. This extra step helps prevent theft from the doorstep - the drive-by looters are out in full force. Think twice about accepting Facebook friends that you don't know; beware of those who constantly change their photos. Avoid friending those who have no contacts with other friends of yours. Unfriend unknown parties as soon as possible to avoid cyber stalking. Stay safe and secure and provide nothing to scammers. Those on Linked-In may also have noticed contact requests from individuals who show an interest in your talents but are really in the market to sell services to you as soon as you make the connection.

The winner of the \$10 drawing for March is LH. April clients who schedule consultations of one hour or more are also eligible for this discount in the drawing scheduled for April 30. The May winner will receive a \$10 certificate to apply toward a future consultation. Winners receive notification via e-mail. Payments for all services

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## TAURUS and THE YEAR AHEAD

**Happy Birthday, Taurus!** Your Sun Sign is the epitome of good manners, grace, sensibility in decision-making, artistic leanings and resourcefulness. Taurus rules the income-oriented 2<sup>nd</sup> House of earnings, salary, potential and power, money sitting at your disposal, how you spend your hard-earned cash, the goods and services you desire, personal development, material possessions and people who provide you with related services including those in the banking, financial services, self-improvement and teaching industries. You look for lucrative work and profitable contracts. Although you like to stick with the familiar and enjoy security, when work no longer satisfies your soul, you seek a better option making use of highly polished skills and your gift of diplomacy. Born under the sign of the Bull, you are both an earth sign and the first of four fixed signs. Your mind is not easily changed, and you work through obstacles with passion and a strong determination to overcome them. Some material in this section applies to those with a Taurus Ascendant or a heavy concentration of Taurus planets. Consult your astrologer for full details. This year the Sun enters your sign on April 19 at 11:13 PM EDT and leaves on May 20 at 10:15 PM EDT. I don't always cover fast-moving Mars in the sun sign writeup but instead save it for the general planetary analysis. This year, however, **fiery Mars is in Aquarius in your solar 10<sup>th</sup> house of career, family status, ambition and authority creating intense aspects from May 16 to August 12 and again from September 10 through November 15.** You can count on an argument or two and personality clashes during these periods with those in charge, peers, family members or direct reports. Know when it is best to keep your opinions confidential or use diplomacy to handle differences in communication or management style. You may uncover performance issues that you'll be forced to address; what you unearth is going to bring about change even if it is not what you expect. For some of you, it could mean a career change or a new direction in life; for others, parents may need your assistance. **Jupiter in Scorpio aspects your Taurus sun in your solar 7<sup>th</sup> House of business and romantic partners, spouses, roommates, collaborators, advisors and the public through November 8.** The transit happens every 12 years based on activity in your relationship house and how the transit affects important decisions, especially if you have planets residing in this house. Take inventory of your connections and decide what needs your attention. Single Taureans may find romance or have more than one individual vying for your attention - and it is a sexy sign, so romance could go to new heights. You are one who tastes the wine before you buy. If you are engaged, you could set a date; and if a relationship is on the fritz, a breakup is likely to occur. **Jupiter stays in this house until November 8 when it moves to Sagittarius and your solar 8<sup>th</sup> House of sex, birth, death, delving into psychological matters, money you owe, partnership funds, estate matters including wills and inheritances, mortgages, crime and forensic science.** After a merger, you may be in the market for a new residence, may be selling one, disposing of goods of a deceased person, and working on clearing cobwebs from your deep psyche. Some of you will take classes, see a consultant or a therapist, work on your resume and pay off credit card debt. **Saturn in Capricorn in your solar 9<sup>th</sup> House piques your interest in long distance travel, maybe the trip of a lifetime; a move far from your current**

residence possibly due to a job transfer; a visit from in-laws or those from foreign countries; journalism or writing projects; education connected with landing a plum job or studying another language; seeing legal or medical professionals and philosophical or religious interests. Saturn just went retrograde on April 17 and remains so until September 6. After the difficult cycle you went through when Saturn was in Sagittarius, you are probably feeling more grounded and stable in financial matters and put to rest many of the fears or problems that affected you for a couple of years. Planets in Capricorn are friendly to your sun sign and could provide the stimulus to sink deeply into a meaningful career instead of moving in and out of ventures every few years - of course this depends on your age, professions that attract you and state of life. The planets work in your favor for giving you more career stability. Make the right moves and enjoy your gifts. The planets are generally helpful to you in the job market this year, especially those of you **born April 20-May 11 experience the trine aspect to Saturn at various times over the next year.** Consult with your astrologer, headhunter, business advisor or realtor depending on your needs. **Uranus in Aries is giving the final shout out to what you have been holding back and is ready for an announcement or two once it leaves your solar 12<sup>th</sup> House** of behind-the-scenes activity, recuperation, hospital visiting, inner healing, unburdening the mind and mystical experiences **on May 15 and moves to your sign, Taurus, for the next 7 years.** Those of you born May 18-20 are in the limelight now and again from November 7, 2018-March 6, 2019 when Uranus returns to the 28-30<sup>th</sup> degree of Aries to finish any pending business and put nagging disruptions to rest once and for all. **When Uranus moves to Taurus on May 15 it is front and center in your solar 1<sup>st</sup> House** of personality, self-interest, energy, passion, creativity, assertiveness, innovation, and health matters. **Until after your 2019 birthday, Uranus most affects Tauruses born May 21-24.** The consequence of dealing with a Uranus cycle in your sign is that it brings shakeups and change and that is not something that appeals to Taurus. You like to be on top of what is happening close to you and that is not going to be possible all the time. People in your circle may note how you seem “different” and that is probably true because now you are shedding situations you no longer need in your life. Continue to be vigilant regarding safety, security and trust levels. **Neptune in Pisces is happily in sync with your sign, Taurus, and especially in this cycle for those born May 4-8 in your solar 11<sup>th</sup> House** of goals, wishes, friendships, political connections, professional affiliates, and organizations. This transit puts many individuals and groups under your radar screen and allows you to determine whether these relationships are worth pursuing or would benefit from dissolution. If you are tuned in to your spiritual studies, you know how to make yourself fade into the woodwork and not have to worry about discovery, not an easy thing to do for most. Avoid negative types at all cost so you don’t become a psychic sponge. Don’t fall under the spell of group think or you’ll find yourself leaning toward and acting on principles that you ordinarily don’t own. The best thing that can happen is that you find honest, delightful friends and associates who have a similar philosophy as yours. This transit helps you understand more of your intuitive side; use the gift well and have fun while you’re learning. Neptune goes retrograde from June 18-November 24; certain facets of your evolving relationships will take longer to gel. **Pluto in Capricorn affects you if born May 7-15 in a powerful and transformative way in the solar 9<sup>th</sup> House of long-distance travel, publishing and journalism, foreigners, in-laws, advanced education, languages, spirituality, legal matters, professional opinions and culture.** The transit will give your higher mind a workout as you consider what you’d like to eliminate to create the “Big Picture” that matches the vision you have

for this stage of your life. Alert! Deep thinking lies ahead and could have you pondering what it would be like if you stay on the planet or what would happen if you leave - you know, estate matters, wills, disposition of goods, etc. Don't forget health checkups and routine tests - and attend to any medical issues that pop up - the 9<sup>th</sup> House relates strongly to specialists. If you aren't doing so, keep a record of any major changes you make or that influence your life; later reflection will depict the truth about why elimination of baggage was so necessary. Enjoy travel, classes, writing, bonding with in-laws or exchanging information with those from other countries or cultures. Many of you will seek the advice of the legal profession. Pluto goes retrograde from April 22-September 30, 2018. Stay flexible and go with the flow in the year ahead. Success lights up your smile.

**Your birthday cycle embraces all 5 of the eclipses prominent during 2018 and two that occur in January 2019. The houses to keep an eye on in the year ahead are your solar 4<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> in that order through January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2019. First up was the lunar eclipse of January 31<sup>st</sup> in Leo that occurred in your 4<sup>th</sup> House of home and foundations.** What happens here started last year and stirred activities at home base house that involve family including children and parents and perhaps revelation of their secrets. For some, it could mean putting your home on the market or buying property, remodeling or researching the cost of landscaping and improvement of your home's façade. **The first solar eclipse of the year fell in Aquarius in your solar 10<sup>th</sup> House of career, ambition, authority lines, people in charge, and your life status, often in connections with parents and family as well as bosses.** This powerful eclipse shakes up the status quo related to professional and family relationships especially for later born Tauruses, leading to an adjustment of priorities of life direction. Take a breath, reflect on your desires and rework plans that encourage better opportunities for growth and professional rewards. You may have to cut ties with individuals who don't seem to value what you want to do. Open new doors and excellent connections will appear in your life. A good career environment brings the enjoyment you seek. **The third eclipse of 2018 occurs on July 12<sup>th</sup>, a new Moon lunar eclipse in Cancer that gives in your solar 3<sup>rd</sup> House of communication, transportation, hi-tech equipment, networking, education, and mental state a big workout and a promise of more to come in 2019.** Cancer brings in domestic matters and challenges you to clear the air with family members, especially one whose emotional state has left you on edge. You may learn more than you would like, but it is the only way to clear the air and release the upheaval that has stymied your connection. You may also find interesting classes or a new job that matches your skills and takes advantage of newly-acquired technology. **The 4<sup>th</sup> eclipse of 2018 falls on July 27<sup>th</sup>, a total full Moon Lunar eclipse in Aquarius in your solar 10<sup>th</sup> House of career, bosses, father figures (sometimes mother), home matters, professional interests and advancement.** Eclipses in Aquarius represent shakeups and bring out the rebellious side of your nature that dares to be different, something that is not normally part of your Taurean nature. Matters connected with your career that you started in February are ready for completion or a solid decision. If you have any loose ends to clear up, now is the time to do it. Some Tauruses may start a new business or start a completely new career; others retire. **On August 11, the final eclipse of 2018 occurs in Leo (solar), a new moon eclipse that occupies your solar 4<sup>th</sup> House of family, home life, base of operation, parents, your physical home and surroundings and the ongoing dynamics in this part of your chart.** This eclipse strongly relates to the one that occurred on January 31<sup>st</sup>. This is wrap-up time (through mid-2019) for

your major 4<sup>th</sup> House undertakings, especially those that left you on the fence emotionally and that taxed your psyche and that of others in the household. With Leo present you can be sure that passion and fiery exchanges were on the table begging to be tamed. Travel and invitations to reunions are on the horizon. If in the market, you could receive a lucrative job offer. By now the entrance of Uranus into your sign will affect those of you born the first few degrees of Taurus. The first eclipse of **2019 falls on January 6, a new Moon, in Capricorn, in the 9<sup>th</sup> House of legal and medical matters and professionals, languages, foreigners, in-laws, long-distance travel, higher education, philosophy, writing and publishing.** Certain Tauruses will consult physicians and should be on the alert to avoid risky undertakings that could lead to body injuries. Carefully plan any surgery. Others will be organizing the trip of a lifetime; job reassignments may involve a distant move; university programs are on the horizon for other Tauruses; some could lead to a better paying job. **The first lunar eclipse of 2019 occurs at 0° Leo on January 21<sup>st</sup> in your solar 4<sup>th</sup> House of home, family, stability, base of operations, energy in your residence, pending renovations and decisions over real estate.** Those planning real estate sales would be wise to make attractive upgrades to showcase your home's finest assets. Consult a Feng Shui expert to maximize your home's positive energy. Problematic people who live in your home are likely to move away. If taking on renters, do a thorough background check and keep the lease short. Treat your heart to a trouble-free, stress-free year by meditating, practicing yoga, finding reasons to laugh and enjoy the blessings of life. Savor new opportunities that broaden your perspective and increase the joy in your life. Attract success!

**Famous Taurus personalities include:** Carmen Electra, Queen Elizabeth II, Craig Ferguson, Adele, James McAvoy, Tina Fey, Jessica Lange, Eric Mabius, Andie McDowell, Jack Nicholson, Shirley MacLaine, Al Pacino, Renee Zellweger, Jason Lee, Penelope Cruz, Jay Leno, Jessica Alba, Andre Agassi, Tony Danza, Daniel Day-Lewis, Jerry Seinfeld, Elaine May, Michelle Pfeiffer, Uma Thurman, Kirsten Dunst, Willie Nelson, David Beckham, Bridget Moynahan, John Daly, Carla Hall, Patti LuPone, James Brown, Mary McDonnell, Elisabeth Rohm, Dwayne Johnson, Audrey Hepburn, Mark Zuckerberg, Randy Travis, Stephen Colbert, George Clooney, Cheryl Burke, Charles Grodin, Carla Hall, Tony Blair, Eva Peron, Iggy Pop, Enrique Inglesias, Billy Joel, Rosario Dawson, Candice Bergen, Bono, David Gergen, Gabriel Byrne, Katherine Hepburn, Stephen Baldwin, Dennis Rodman, Harvey Keitel, Stevie Wonder, Cate Blanchett, George Lucas, Debra Winger, Janet Jackson, Pierce Brosnan, Tori Spelling, Dennis Hopper, Chow Yun-Fat, Nora Ephron, Busta Rhymes, America Ferrara and Cher.

## **PLANETS' ACTIVITY APRIL 19-MAY 20**

**We have lived under the threat of war and tense relationships with the global community over the past year.** Powerful eclipse activity has our country front and center on the world stage not to mention the positions of the transiting planets and how their influence continues to trigger activity in the U.S. hot spots and several countries with whom our relationships remain strained. Readers continue to question the viability of going to war in lieu of peaceful negotiations. Among the lineup of planets that I place in astrology charts, along with dwarf planet, Ceres, I also show asteroids Juno, Pallas and Vesta in your charts. They provide hidden insight or additional interpretation of the client's chart. I have interpreting these points in my work since the late 90's.

**Mercury is direct in Aries** as of April 15 moves into Taurus on May 15. You can go full steam ahead on plans by the time we get to May 3 and Mercury comes out of its shadow. Whatever you started during the retrograde cycle is subject to change. **Venus completes its cycle in Taurus on April 15 and then moves into animated Gemini through May 19th before moving to Cancer.** Take advantage of this period to examine communication in relationships, and work on areas where you feel stuck. You may feel flirtatious if you are unattached and could meet more than one dating prospect. Acknowledge the need for more balance in relationships. **Mars**, the planet of action, is in Capricorn through the 15<sup>th</sup> of May, a banner day because it also showcases a New Moon and the entrance of Uranus into Taurus. Then Mars moves to Aquarius where it will be in residence for several months during 2018 due to retrograde planetary motion. Mars will be very intense in aspect to Uranus on May 15 so limit travel and watch financial activity. **Jupiter in Scorpio is retrograde until July 10** and most affects those of you with water signs 23-20 degrees - Cancer, Scorpio, and Pisces as well as Fixed signs Taurus, Leo, Scorpio and Aquarius. Research financial prospects carefully and buy the car later this year. **Saturn in Capricorn went retrograde on April 17 and goes direct on September 6.** Those of you born the 8-9<sup>th</sup> degree of Capricorn or of the other earth signs, Taurus and Virgo benefit from learning more about prevention of problems and deep insight into areas of concern. Cardinal signs with planets around these degrees, including Capricorn, Aries, Cancer and Libra experience tension when caught off guard or trying to rush into projects prematurely. Pay attention to buildings, homes and bridges that could need serious repairs; some will make the news due to structural strain or collapse; political flip flop occurs and sends faithful party members hustling out the door. **Uranus is in its final days in Aries at 28-29 degrees, after a harsh 7-year run that left major shakeups in global and personal arenas. Late born Aries, April 18-20 feel the blast more intensely now. The challenging energy returns again for these birth dates from November 6, 2018-March 6, 2019.** Also affected are the other Cardinal signs with late degree births in Cancer, Libra and Capricorn. We have already seen some stock market aberrations and both positive and challenging financial pictures; keep your ear to the ground for contradictions and stay calm. Uranus moves into early degrees of Taurus on May 15 and affects early born Tauruses (April 19-20). Taurus relates to stability, money, assets and values, so in this sign we'll hear more about systems, structures, the world currencies and the way we pay for goods and services. Stay on top of the latest technologies. Also affected are other fixed signs with planets at 0 degrees - Aquarius, Leo and Scorpio. **Neptune in Pisces affects individuals born March 5-8 during this time** and could result in a realistic look at goals, plans, physical structures, water elements and your feet. Those with asthmatic conditions could feel uncomfortable due to air quality and lung elasticity. Water signs Cancer and Scorpio receive intuitive insight if born or with planets at 15-16 degrees of their signs; Geminis, Virgos and Sagittarius with planets at these degrees may experience taxing conditions regarding vague clauses, respiratory issues and incomplete work. Be sure to update and safeguard electronic equipment. There has been no letup in the widespread hacking and scams related to social media and financial institutions. Be on guard and on the lookout for those who stretch the truth. Cherished plans thrive on reality. **Pluto in Capricorn turns retrograde at 21+**

degrees on April 22 and goes direct on September 30. While in transit it will experience several hiccups as it travels an erratic path. On the 26<sup>th</sup>, Mars goes to Pluto on the 21<sup>st</sup> degree which is exactly opposite the upcoming solar eclipse of July 12<sup>th</sup> (eclipses start leaving their mark a few months in advance). Countries, cities, states and people with this degree will experience a change in the status quo. This position provides extra power and may involve conditions around personal dealings, flaring tempers, covert operations and/or out-of-control spending. Those of you born around the 21<sup>st</sup> degree of cardinal signs Aries, Cancer, Libra and Capricorn are likely to feel the most energy from these planetary travelers. Although you may experience delays in decision-making or anger over canceled plans, the inner core of Pluto results in renewal and elimination of baggage once the retrograde ends. Look for evidence of change surrounding organizational structures, corporations, cultures, religious institutions and areas that need revamping. Here come the karma cleaners moving the blocks that create rigid energy. Expect a few secrets to be let out of the bag. **Chiron, the Wounded Healer just moved to Aries on April 16<sup>th</sup>**, most affecting those born March 20-22. You love leading, Aries, so why not take the reins and start removing old issues from the past that have left you tense and uncertain about hidden matters you haven't wanted to face? When you confront the truth, you are able to find better opportunities to meet cherished goals. Contact your astrologer to define important dates and trends because every chart is unique and benefits from personal interpretation. Once the next round of eclipses passes, you will be more prepared to act. Let your heart speak to you instead of your head while in healing mode and use it to attract the perfect social, business, or romantic relationships. Developmental opportunities offer a new perspective during this Chiron cycle. Be who you want to be - it is yours to cherish.

## LUNAR/SOLAR CYCLES LATE APRIL 19 THROUGH MAY 20

**April 19:** Sun enters Taurus, 11:13 PM EDT

**April 29:** Full Moon in Scorpio, 8:59 PM EDT, 9° ♎ 39'

**May 15:** New Moon in Taurus, 7:48 AM EDT, 24° ♉ 35' (Uranus enters Taurus)

**May 20:** Sun Enters Gemini, 10:15 PM EDT

## PEOPLE, PLACES AND TOPICS IN THE NEWS

Here are tidbits of interest about people in the news. You continue to express overwhelming interest in the Trump White House and the state of the environment within its walls. This week, the James Comey interviews and book, A HIGHER LOYALTY captured the news. Former FBI Director Comey is a Sagittarius born December 14. Daily reports suggest mixed reviews on his book - critics feel he told the truth but overstepped his boundaries and cost Hillary Clinton the 2016 election. The President does not like the book at all. Space does not permit full coverage. Tune in to as many news stations as possible to get a feel for breaking political stories; bet you can't keep up with all of them.

**American Idol:** As I write this section, 14 contestants are in the running to become the next Idol, but public voting does not begin until Sunday, April 22; 4 contestants will be eliminated in one show and then in increments of 3 until they get to the season finale which names the winner on May 21. The show's principals are Host, **Ryan**

Seacrest, a Capricorn; Judges: Katy Perry, a Scorpio, Lionel Richie, a Gemini and Luke Bryan, a Cancer.

**Former First Lady Barbara Pierce Bush**, a Gemini born June 8, died on April 17, 2018. She was a devoted wife to George H. W. Bush, the 41<sup>st</sup> President, mother of 6 children (one deceased), and a feisty, outspoken communicator who championed the cause of children's literacy. She died peacefully surrounded by her family. One of the quotes attributed to her is "Cherish your human connections - your relationships with friends and family." I have a feeling she did. Rest in Peace.

**Dancing With The Stars** announced its 2018 season featuring an all-athlete slate of contestants. Only 10 individuals from diverse athletic backgrounds will compete in Season 26 which begins on Monday, April 30.

**General Hospital (GH):** Yes, I'm a fan of this award-winning show that has aired for 55 years. One of my favorite memories related to GH dates back to spring 1978 when I was attending a week-long management development seminar sponsored by the Office of Personnel Management (OPM). In mid-week attendees were asked to pair off for an exercise and share work place dilemmas they faced and ask their partner for a solution. Later we shared our solutions with the group. My partner appeared to be somewhat shy and deeply troubled by an unusual request her boss had made the previous month. It seems her boss, the civilian head of a military installation, had broken his leg earlier that year and was away recuperating for over two months. During that time, he became "addicted" to **General Hospital** which aired from 3-4 PM weekdays in the local Philadelphia TV market. When he returned to work, her boss advised her that his wife would be calling in at 4 PM each day right after GH aired to give him an account of the storyline. In case he was not available to take the call (he frequently attended briefings or meetings toward the end of the work day), he advised his assistant to take dictation and read it back to him when he returned, even though he usually left work at 4:30 PM and lived half an hour from work. Remember there were no VCRs or DVRs in those days. He just had to have the storyline recap ASAP. My workshop partner said she was horribly embarrassed to read back the plot because, as she put it, "characters were always having abortions, affairs, committing crimes, pulling guns and breaking in to homes in Port Charles." She said her stomach was in knots every time she had to read back the transcript and she felt too upset to continue and asked me what to do to get him to abandon the request. She said he was the second in command and she was afraid to confront him even though he could get a full account from his wife when he returned home half an hour later. Well, that is exactly what I suggested she do firmly but politely - tell him about how her new daily assignment made her feel; let him know just how embarrassed and upsetting it was to give him these graphic descriptions of the show. She could tell him that she never dreamed her work assignment would be to cover dramatic daytime entertainment. Well, it worked, because she phoned me the following week to let me know she was no longer covering GH. Good thing some of us still are because the show remains a strong force in daytime programming showcasing fine actors, writers, directors, crew and complicated plots. By the way, when we presented our "case" to the OPM class attendees, it was the hands down favorite and everyone howled and applauded.

**Taurus celebrants of the GH cast include:** William DeVry, April 20; Dominic Zamprogna, April 21; Brooklyn Rae Silzer, April 24; Ava and Grace Scarola, April 26; Maura West, April 27; and Rebecca Herbst, May 12. **Happy birthday one and all.**

**White House Musings. The placement of Pallas**, the asteroid goddess whose presence reflects warrior energy, often depicts the presence of good or poor political strategy. Excellent judgment and intelligence help leaders get a grasp on what is going on in the world - economy, politics, diplomatic relations and the attitude of the country's citizens--matters that a well-placed Pallas addresses. Without a strong Pallas position, the leader often experiences communication snags and attracts poorly equipped advisors that resort to bullying and threats due to lack of experience in implementing successful strategies. Pallas demands the truth and is out of sync with the barrage of lies, confusing references, alternative facts, passing the buck or blaming others that fill the daily airwaves. With his Pallas in Capricorn (seeker of truth) opposing Mercury in Cancer (quality of the mind, facts, communication) we have seen evidence of his ingrained routine of stretching the truth. In analyzing the astrology of our current president, we look back at the Inauguration Day chart for clues to how this year will unfold because the upcoming July 20 eclipse in Cancer is going to oppose that chart's Pluto in Capricorn in the 9<sup>th</sup> House of foreign relationships. The two major players dominating world news are Russia's President Vladimir Putin and U.S. President Donald Trump both of whom have Cancer planets at approximately 21 degrees indicating both could be in for some stormy and unexpected outcomes. Except for his family, the West Wing is consistently depleting its supply of key advisors, about 70 have resigned or have been on the chopping block to date. As each new scandal unfolds, expect this trend to continue at the expense of hundreds of unfilled key positions in government agencies (many he filled have occupants with no security clearances). With his Gemini Sun conjunct the maverick planet Uranus and his natal Moon in in opposition in Sagittarius, he truly believes he is here to shake up the world, generate a Twitter storm to communicate his point of view and secretly dictate a private agenda. He advocates withholding the power and details from the people. What will happen next? Probably another revelation like the shocking scoop that Fox News host Sean Hannity does business with the same "fixer" attorney, Michael Cohen (now under indictment) as our President. Stay tuned.

### **READERS CORNER:**

I received a significant amount of mail regarding last month's real estate question and taking on a roommate when it was not part of your plan - that question triggered other real estate questions. Commenters also wanted to know more about Mars in charts and how it affects careers. The final question was about Mars representing men in natal charts and does it hold true with same sex couples. Mars in same sex relationships represent males or females when it denotes the passion and attraction that exist between two people. All of us have male and female energy, Yin and Yang. If Mars is in the 6<sup>th</sup> house as last month's example showed, it can mean multiple attractions are possible in the work place regardless of the sex of the individuals. Thank you for your questions. Enjoy this month's offerings.

**Q.** My significant other and I want to move in together and have talked about it for six months. She wants to get a 3-bedroom, 2-bath condo or townhouse while I feel we don't need that much space and should keep costs down, especially since we are renting. Her argument is that we need a bedroom to share, a room for guests and an office space because both of us telecommute at times in any given month and it is better to have a space for electronic equipment that does not intrude on personal space. I think we could save about \$500 a month by paring down our needs but she

won't budge and said she wants good quality accommodations. Is that a Taurus thing? She is born May 5 and my birthday is January 20.

**A.** Your Sun signs don't make a strong statement to one another even though she is a mid-degree Taurus and you are last degree Capricorn. You have Mercury, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune and the Moon's North Node in Capricorn in a grouping that suggests you don't spend money foolishly and keep a tight rein on the budget. Your Moon in late Pisces is in great aspect to Mars in late Taurus while Venus falls in mid-Aquarius (in hard aspect to your friend's Sun) and in hard aspect to your natal Pluto in Scorpio and contributes to the attraction you feel for one another - she has Pluto at the same degree of Capricorn that you do. Your only fire planet is retrograde Jupiter in Leo. Your friend's Moon in late Capricorn falls directly on your Sun, so you are often on her mind, a nice friendship and emotional tie. Her Mercury in Aries is in hard aspect to her natal Mars in Cancer and both jolt Uranus and Neptune in your chart indicating that you are blindsided by each other's reaction to new information. Each of you share Jupiter in Leo meaning that values are mostly in sync. Your would-be housemate has Uranus and Neptune in Capricorn close to your placements, her Venus falls in late Gemini in hard aspect to your Moon in Pisces, and Saturn in Aquarius opposes her (and your) Jupiter in Leo. Jupiter, Venus and her Taurus sun show her preference for excellent quality furnishings, accommodations, all the bells and whistles and plenty of space to express personal style. She is not extravagant but doesn't want to suffer with "inferior" space. You like nice things, too, but don't want to spend the money. It's time for you to talk it out and see if there is any room for compromise. I doubt she will budge for fewer rooms. For a more detailed explanation, schedule a personal consultation. Happy House Hunting!

**Q.** Our front yard is 60 feet wide with a curving path that leads to the front door. We have a side-load garage on the left end of the house. My husband says the lawn looks too bare and needs a large tree like a maple opposite the front door to break up the monotony of all the grass. From a Feng Shui standpoint, would that be a good idea?

**A.** For several reasons, I would not recommend locating a tree opposite your front door. Nothing should block your front door and the visibility you need to see what is going on in the front of the house - safety feature. In Feng Shui language your front door represents your wealth and prosperity and a tree that large is going to sprawl and block the energy to the front door which means your chi will bounce right onto the street or boomerang somewhere else. Maple trees shed lots of leaves, grow to great heights often at the rate of 2 feet per year and many in the red variety reach 50 feet high. They also have deep roots and the larger they grow, the more the roots start to surface on the lawn or inch toward the foundation of your home. Low growing plants, shrubs and flowers would add interest along the curving path. If you plant trees, perhaps ornamental or flowering types can be planted about 10 feet from the edge of the lot on each side of the front of the property. Find species that grow only 20-25 feet tall and keep them pruned once they develop. Enjoy your new home.

Thank you to all who sent in questions and comments about earlier newsletters. I will include more questions in Readers' Corner next month. I'm glad you liked the Aries issue and welcome your thoughts on this one.

**QUOTE OF THE MONTH:** *"The best place to cry is on a mother's arm."* ...Jodi Picoult

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- Tuesday: 12-6 pm.
- Thursday: 1-6 pm.
- Saturday: 11 am-4 pm.
- All other hours by special arrangement. No Sunday hours.

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Enjoy many blessings,

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