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Merry Ostara!

In last month's newsletter I told you I would explore the changes (which have been life altering, explosive ones for many) as we continue to experience the 2.5 year Saturn transit through Scorpio; and suggest some ways to maneuver while dealing ... and if not maneuver, at least remain in an upright position. We have all been there at one time or another: Our plans are laid, we begin to move out confidently when BAM! We are dropkicked right out of there and onto an entirely new scene.

Note: It's rarely pleasant. Or painless.

During this period (which began in 2012 and ends in September 2015) explosive change is EPIDEMIC. Saturn is a harsh taskmaster and teacher, and under Scorpio's influence is ruthless in ensuring we LEARN THE LESSON assigned to us astrologically during this time. Case in point: This past December, a truly lovely florist prepared to open in the yellow building (formerly a dance school) next to Talisman's shopping plaza. With over 30 years' experience as a florist and shop owner, along with the assistance of her business partner, she felt understandably confident about the new endeavor. She and I spoke at length when I visited the shop just before its grand opening – lots of handpainted furniture housing locally crafted jewelry and gift items as well as glorious displays of silk and natural flowers. It was beautifully done. Fast forward two weeks – the shop permanently closed for business when a family emergency demanded time and resources that could not be delayed or replaced. Done. Finished. Heartbreaking.

So ... Let's talk about how we deal with the monkey wrenches that life's tossing our way, eh?

Saturn occupies the sign of Scorpio from October 5, 2012 to December 23, 2014; and then finishes up its transit from June 14, 2015 to September 17, 2015. Saturn hits us, hard, with lessons we have no choice but to learn – it is part of our life's blueprint, one of the big things we came here to master. To find out what area of your life is being affected go to www.cafeastrology.com and select birth chart from the list of free astrological

reports - and enter your birth information. There are twelve astrological houses – look to see which House and sign Saturn resides in, in your birth (natal) chart. Whichever one Saturn lands in, that's the one you will see affected with the most change, growth and learning (read this as painful) now through 2015. Saturn's transit through Scorpio presents a very strong period for dissecting and studying the unconscious/subconscious, and for seeing how deep-rooted fears and patterns control our lives. It's also a strong period for dealing with and eventually mastering our addictions. We're likely to deal with issues of blame in our relationships. If we are blaming an existing partner for our unhappiness in the relationship, we're going to learn that we have to take back, or re-own, responsibility for our own happiness.

Here is an abbreviated version of what to expect via a house-by-house breakdown. If you want to learn more you can contact Alethea (author of the astrological article at the end of every one of my newsletters, see below) for a personal consultation.

Saturn Scorpio in the [First House](#): (House of Aries and [Mars](#)) Saturn first crosses your Ascendant in Scorpio, and this is known to add a cloak of depression or seriousness. And yet, take heart -- the end game is to transform your sense of self. It's about breaking apart what's calcified around your free expression and ability to grow. Saturn makes it clear what's energetically dead, and as you persevere, you find a more verdant, animated foundation. Saturn reins in your focus to a preoccupation with the self. It's time experience life as a singular, concentrated force, not one diluted or co-dependent. Some experience with this a loss of those they've been emotionally merged with. Saturn is reshaping things, to make room for the experience of independence. It's about setting up a life structure, that supports the impulses of the authentic self. Catching sight of your wrinkles and flab in a grossly over lit dressing room. A health crisis that forces you to look at how you resist or flow with change. Losing a job that gave you a role to play -- one that you've outgrown. Leading to the first inklings of a self-sourced career. A sense of integrity and a seasoned style. A new and improved atmosphere of the self that's energized, inspired and that trusts the process of metamorphosis.

Saturn Scorpio in the [Second House](#): (House of Taurus and Venus) In the first house, your self-image was updated, to match who you're becoming now. With Saturn in the second, you take a hard look at your value and what you're investing in. Are your trappings -- home, budgetary responsibilities, other possessions -- in synch with this emerging self? Are you seeing a return for your *presence* and natural talents? Saturn here is known to bring malaise to money and how it flows. Since Saturn is in Scorpio, you're well-positioned to uncover universal laws about money. It means getting to core beliefs about abundance, and your worthiness. You may walk through the shadow side, to claim more potency here. If there's a personal financial crisis, with doors blocked and few allies to help, this leads you to total transformation. One possibility is shifting into work that reflects your values. Another is investing in your natural talents, gaining skills or knowledge. Saturn's gift is greater productivity, that's also more satisfying.

Saturn Scorpio in the [Third House](#): (House of Gemini and Mercury) After Saturn's upgrade of the self (first) and

taking stock (second), it's time to engage in the social and intellectual scenes. Your tolerance for "playing nice" is at a nadir, and this can cause a temporary retreat. You find the old haunts with their regulars stultifying, and may feel socially isolated. You could find school friends, colleagues acquaintances or siblings are low on understanding. The cracks form and hint at another way of engaging. Later in this transit, the openings lead to new friendships and momentum with what you're learning in 'earth school.' You find a way to express the ineffable -- you seek mediums to share your eye for magic in everyday life. Saturn in the third is where you get your groove back. This happens through the mix of minds or as an eternal student. You establish your real life (or online) presence as an authority, creating media (being an intermediary for translating the world).

Saturn Scorpio in the [Fourth House](#): (House of Cancer and the Moon) Now there's a strong drive to establish a home base. Here you get to the emotional and psychic underpinnings more concrete in some way. This comes about sometimes through loss that takes away the usual familiar (and comforting) edges. It could be a bad break up, where your childhood bundle of behaviors ruined a good thing. For some, it's the loss of a matriarch figure, or an intensified need of parents. There's sorting through emotional detritus, to come out from under what's hindering growth. You find a way to remake home, which is especially important if you came out of toxic origins. You sift out what your real needs are vs. ones that came from childhood conditions. Now is the time for profound inner growth. You gain a sense of emotional sovereignty, and freedom to build your home from the ground up. You might buy or sell, move down the block or to another town. The main gift is being able to be at home in your own skin, wherever you go.

Saturn Scorpio in the [Fifth House](#): (House of Leo and the Sun) The desire here is to be known and loved to the depths of the soul. But first there can be a sense of deadness, and lack of enthusiasm for what used to give pleasure. If your heart's not in what you're doing, it starts to feel intolerable. Take heart -- this augurs a path unfolding to deeper joy. Now is the time to break out of routine, to find authentic enthusiasm. Until you find that sweet spot or spots, it feels like you've hit doldrums of unhappiness. This is for taking what gives you pleasure seriously. You overcome stagnation and find what's unique to your story and draw it out in some way. Through dedication, you could formalize a hobby or creative skill. What's meaningful is finding form for your self-expression. Children are an expression of who you are, and Saturn here is known to touch this area. You might get serious about having them, or experience a loss. There can be heavy responsibilities related to child-rearing.

Saturn Scorpio in the [Sixth House](#): (House of Virgo and Mercury or Chiron) This is the transit for running a tighter day-to-day ship. You're getting relentless reminders of what's needing attention. A limit of hours in the day puts pressure on you to weigh priorities. It becomes clear what time-stealers must go, and what habits are a complete waste. Now is a time to consider work shake-ups, for a day that's more nourishing or wholesome. Are you ill at ease? A health scare or awareness of your own mortal limits motivates you to make adjustments. You might get serious about yoga or some other healthful practice. Saturn here helps you prepare for the next phase, of refining your way of being with others. A gift from the 6th is being your own

healer, which with Scorpio, has a shamanic dimension. You can master sensing what's needed, to move and transform energies, to avoid dis-ease and distractions.

Saturn Scorpio in the [Seventh House](#): (House of Libra and Venus) This heralds the death knell for relationships that are an awkward fit. During this transit a few years ago, two people I'd say were friends gently ended things. It felt like hitting a wall, but I also realized I didn't have to strain (in one case) to bridge our very different energies. If something ends, have faith that it's Saturn's way of freeing you for something better. There could be serious stress on the marriage or live-in relationships. If there are festering underlying issues, now is the time to address them. If there's no trust structure to do that, it's time to part ways. In Scorpio, the demands of the relationship house are nothing short of soul merging to create something new. This involves the dying process, the death of what we might call the ego -- to let go of who we are, for what we can become. A gift of Saturn here is the instinct to deal with core issues together, or make a clean break. Either way, we have the chance to get real with those closest to us.

Saturn Scorpio in the [Eighth House](#): (House of Scorpio and Pluto) After cleaning up relationships in the Seventh, now we seek steady ground in a world where there are many pulls to the psyche. We deal head-on with issues of authority and authority figures. At the outset, there can be demands from ownership, taxes, or an inheritance. There could be financial entanglements with others that at first feel unsolvable. Saturn is in Scorpio's own house here, the eighth, of sex, death and dying to the old, so something new can emerge. This promises to be big and open a path to greater empowerment. A way through, though, means acknowledging any vice grip power and /or money situations that have a psychic hold. It's worth looking here at the energetic contracts made with money. What subtle unspoken agreements are made, in exchange for money?

Saturn Scorpio in the [Ninth House](#): (House of Sagittarius and Jupiter) It's curious to find Saturn, the contractor, in the 9th House, ruled by Jupiter, the expander. Now is the time to connect personal momentum with a sense of purpose. If you travel, it'll be empty, unless it ties in with your long range vision. If you're in school, it'll feel pointless, until you align it with your inspired future. This brings a chance to widen your worldview, to make room for what's ahead. The next houses are about making your mark, and being a public presence. If your world has become too small, you grow discontent and restless. You might break out by embarking on a voyage of learning, whether formally or self-directed.

Saturn Scorpio in the [Tenth House](#): (House of Capricorn and Saturn) From Saturn's natural journey through the houses, you've gained self-awareness and a sense of purpose. You might face a steep learning curve now. But Saturn is at home in the 10th, and Scorpio is a do or die sign. You're ready to overcome inner and outer resistance, and climb those mountains. If doors are closing, pay attention. Saturn likes to block exits, to get you curious about other possibilities. Is it time to act on the momentum of the Ninth House, and establish yourself in a chosen field? Or perhaps it's about wearing a mantle of authority? A gift of this house is becoming established and reaching a personal pinnacle -- as a healer, educator, parent, writer or whatever role you

inhabit.

Saturn Scorpio in the [Eleventh House](#): (House of Aquarius and Uranus) If Saturn moving across the Tenth house brought a sense of accomplishment, we're better able to enter this stage of collaboration. What kinds of allies are in synch, with who we are now?

At the beginning of this transit, it becomes obvious that we're hanging with the wrong crowd. It's time to bring associations to a close, and that can be hard, though we know it's time. The reason why we were tied in with certain people has expired and we're running on fumes. We could feel flat and uninspired. This is a sign to move in new circles.

Saturn Scorpio in the [Twelfth House](#): (House of Pisces and Neptune) This is a wrap up transit, to prepare you for a whole new Saturn cycle. You're no stranger to mysteries, with a Scorpio Twelfth House. This might be a dark night transit, but it could also be the most creative time of your life. Here Saturn puts the squeeze on, to forgive, and experience release from soul entanglements. These endings have grace, with the teaching that the great form is oceanic, so even in death, we're still part of one field. You experience miracles, as you see with this kind of mystical clarity. You might take up formal study of metaphysics, and hone your skills as a medium or diviner. Now is the time to transform universal and soulful impressions -- to make art out of them or share them with your intimates. This is a transit for feeling connected to all of life, but especially those you love, even those on the other side

Now honestly, reading through this list ... let's face it, its all much easier said than done. And for anyone hell bent on hanging on to behaviors, relationships, addictions, living arrangements (blah blah blah) that just aren't working and haven't been ... yes, it is a crapfest. BUT if we want to go deep, learn WHY we made the choices we did (and we MADE those choices, no playing the blame game - own your shit, please) roll up our sleeves and prepare to get dirty while we instrument change ... it's still no party to be sure, but its bearable.

I am going to leave you with examples taken from the lives of two "twenty-somethings" who come to the shop and make me just so proud to know them! The first is about Julia - whose plans to move to Japan and teach were ruined by the Fukushima nuclear disaster. Choosing to protect her long-term health over a teaching assignment (and realize this was heartbreaking as this girl loves everything about the Country of Japan, its culture as well as having many friends there) so she (quote) "spent three days in bed feeling really sorry for myself" then orchestrated a re-do of her career plans: She taught herself Korean and about six months later, began a teaching job in South Korea.

Another young 'un that done me proud: Jon had plans to buy the family home and open a business on the property when his parents moved north to live out their dream of owning a Christmas Tree farm. Before papers could be signed, however, financial shortfalls necessitated the immediate sale of the house to pump funds into the farm. When Jon asked his mother what he should do next, she suggested he contact her sister (his aunt)

who was recently widowed and lonely in Florida. Fast forward three months: Jon is living in Florida with an aunt who is happy for his company, and helping him continue with his college education.

Do you see the theme in these two stories? Both of these young people had solid plans for their respective career tracks. Both had their plans blown completely out of the water by events out of their control. Both chose to respond without bitterness or anger - doing what needed to be done after a door was shut squarely in their face because they weren't about to stand still when they wanted to move forward.

As the saying goes: When life hands you lemons, make lemonade. Or to quote Winston Churchill: "If you find yourself going through Hell ... keep going."

NEW-AGE FAIRES HELD EVERY SATURDAY

12:00pm-6:00pm - (203) 261-0047 for appointments

Readers (\$30/30 minutes - cash only)

Please call in advance for readers' schedules as they are subject to change

Private Energetic Chair Healing (15-20 minutes, \$5 donation)

To see our Readers' background information, visit: <http://www.talismanct.com/images/Readerslist14.pdf>

March 1

Gwen Lord - Whole Life Tarot (past life recall)

Mark - Tarot or Reflexology

Todd - Tarot

March 8

Pina - Angel Oracle (Mediumship)

Keith - Astrology (need birth day/time/place; appt. necessary)

Mark - Tarot or Reflexology

Rachel - Tarot (Mediumship) and Animal Intuitive (Pets welcome or photo)

March 15

Gwen Lord - Whole Life Tarot (past life recall)

Keith - Astrology (need birth day/time/place; appt. necessary)

Mark - Tarot or Reflexology

Michelle - Angel Readings

Todd - Tarot

March 22

Andrew Neblett - Tarot or Runes
Mark - Tarot or Reflexology
Pina - Angel Oracle (Mediumship)
Randy - Playing Cards/Tarot

March 29

Gwen Lord - Whole Life Tarot (past life recall)
Mark - Tarot or Reflexology
Todd - Tarot

The designation of "mediumship" is NOT a guarantee that your loved one(s) will present themselves in the reading - it means the channel is open and a particular reader is skilled at recognizing and then relaying information when/if it comes through.

**Talisman's Regularly-Scheduled Readers
(203) 261-0047 for appointments - Cash payment requested**

Mark Hoyt: Spirit Guided Tarot - Foot Reflexology Treatments Fridays 2-8pm. \$30/30 minutes. .

Nicole, Journeyboard and Cards - Sundays 12-4 \$30/30 minutes

Naima Provo, Intuitive readings, Spiritual Counseling, Reiki, and massage Therapy \$120/hr, \$230/2 hrs (saving \$10), \$340/3 hrs (saving \$20). Buy a package of 5 sessions and get one free saving \$120. Appointments Sunday, Monday & Tuesday.

Seated Reiki/Energetic Healing Sessions: Offered for \$5/15 minutes (donated free to any in need) offered by Lera on Saturdays and Derek during the week. Just ask!

We do things a bit differently at Talisman. You pay our readers AFTER the reading is finished, and if you are not happy you don't pay. NO READER can read EVERYONE successfully and everyone who works at Talisman is aware of this fact. Know that it is acceptable after the first 5 minutes of a reading to say something like, "I'm sorry, what you are saying just isn't resonating with me. I would like to stop the reading now, but thank you for your time". If you do not hear something amazing in the first five minutes, or if it just isn't right ... don't expect a reading to get better as it goes on. Readings go off track for a number of reasons - but the point is, you shouldn't pay if you are not happy. Please, just be courteous and respectful. Complaints are rare because every reader has had to pass the "ultimate interview" ... they must sit and read ME (and I've been reading over 25 years myself) and tell me something about my past/personal life, my children, home, or business that they could not possibly have heard or learned someplace else. But every reader has their unique gift and their own style, it is NOT one size fits all. Personally, I don't think anyone should get a reading

more than once every 6-8 weeks and prefer you allow at least 3 months between readings ... you don't want to become a psychoholic, right? I WILL discourage you from this behavior! My goal is to see people leave an "intuitive counseling session" (because that is really what we do) feeling validated, uplifted and hopeful regardless of the situation or challenges they may be facing. That is the true measure of a "good" reading!

Available by Appointment:

Talisman's readers are available for parties and events. You can pay by the hour or allow us to set up and have your guests/attendees pay individually. We do our best to be flexible and fairly priced. Our party rates are \$60 an hour, plus gas/mileage OR guests can pay if they choose to get readings at \$1/minute. Please make all scheduling arrangements through Laura at (203) 261-0047.

Reflexology Fridays with Mark: This ancient healing art uses hand/thumb pressure corresponding to the body systems. The practice stimulates/relaxes stress signals resulting in relaxation (who DOESN'T love having their feet rubbed?), pain reduction, and rejuvenation of tired feet -- helping you stand tall in the world! Come in after a hard week of work and treat yourself in Mark's chair (\$1 minute).

Numerology Reports: Many have been asking for books or information on Numerology. Numerology has been used for thousands of years to provide deep insights into one's personality, intimate relationships, and the important influences that affect one's daily life. Now, with the Numerology Report, you can examine your life in a unique way to take advantage of unexplored opportunities, confirm talents that in your heart you know are there, or simply to figure out where to go next. You'll see all the diverse parts of your personality and how they uniquely come together to make the person you are. Through this report, you'll be able to make the most of your life in a way that wasn't possible before. There are three different Numerology Reports available - each of these providing you even greater insights into your life as well as your *romantic* relationships. An explanation of all three reports can be emailed to you directly - just hit "reply" to this newsletter with a request. Cost per report: \$15 emailed; \$18.95 printed. Laura has her own numerology report as a sample, if you'd like to see it. :

Laura: I do special, in-depth readings by appointment. My 45+ minute private sessions include a chakra check up, a print out and review of your astrological natal chart, tarot and palm reading, and more! (\$45). Call the shop for an appointment, as I schedule these when the shop is closed or after-hours. Yes, I still do \$5 readings on Wednesday & Thursday but these are done in-between phone calls and waiting on patrons - you can't make an appointment, and I do get interrupted. As long as there are no other scheduled readers in the shop (they drive in from a distance and it's not fair to them) I am always happy to peek at someone's palm or throw a few cards, so don't hesitate to ask!

Classes & Workshops at Talisman

RSVP at (203) 261-0047 or email lenhard@comcast.net

Saturday, March 22 - **Protection: How to Guard Against Unwanted Energies** led by Andrew Neblett. 6:30-8:30pm \$25.

This class was created because of popular demand. Here it is! You will learn various techniques to protect you from the unwanted energies from other peoples' thoughts, emotions, and vibrations, curses, evil spells, entities and other nasty things. There are many things we are taught that just don't work, learn which ones do and why. Physical demonstrations of effectiveness will be presented. Whether you want to be safe from other people or things that go bump in the night, this class is just what the doctor ordered. Bring your notebook and questions!

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THE CIRCLE OF THE SACRED WELL PRESENTS

Event: Wiccan/Pagan Study Group - Topic: Ostara Craft Workshop

Date: March 18th - Time: 7:30 p.m.

Location: The Undercroft at Talisman

Join us for this monthly study group that covers various pagan and New Age topics. The Study Group is held on the third Tuesday of each month. This month, popular workshop presenter, Elena, will be facilitating an Ostara 'Craft' workshop. We will be decorating Ostara eggs that can be charged for magickal and ritual purposes. You will get to take home the 'magickal eggs' you create for your personal magickal workings. We will also be discussing the origins, history and practices associated with the Ostara Sabbat. Participants are encouraged to share any Ostara practices and traditions they celebrate as we welcome the Spring! This workshop is suitable for all experience levels.

Wicca University! Join us for this intensive two-day workshop that covers all aspects of the Wiccan religion. Want to learn about the history, beliefs and practices of Wicca? Want to learn about holiday rites and rituals? This is the workshop for you! The 2014 workshop will be held in April; classes on two consecutive Sundays from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. **Dates are April 6 & 13, 2014.** Contact Mandy at 203-922-2643 or email arianowl@yahoo.com to reserve your spot.

Community Events

The Connecticut Wiccan Pagan Network (CWPN) Inc. is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit educational and networking organization dedicated to meeting the needs of the greater Wiccan and Pagan community in Connecticut and surrounding areas. The goal is to help provide a forum for Wiccans and Pagans to meet others of "like

mind" and to come together and worship in a safe environment. Our hope has been to construct a sense of "community" in which we can all share with and learn from one another. Membership is open to all Wiccans, Pagans, and those with a serious interest in learning more about our religion. If you are under 18 years of age you may join with written parental consent. We reserve the right to refuse or terminate membership of anyone who we feel may be harmful to our organization or to the Wiccan/Pagan Community. Learn more at our website: <http://www.cwpn.org>. The CWPN hosts monthly networking meetings throughout the state, open Sabbat circles, coven and study group referral service, classes/work-shops, various social events and lectures with well-known members of the Pagan community. Some of our past guests have been: Janet and Stewart Farrar, Gavin Bone, Margot Adler, Ted Andrews, Dr. Leo Louis Martello, Tzipora Klein, Laurie Cabot, Raven Grimassi, Donald Michael Kraig, Phyllis Currott, Lori Bruno, Jane Sibley and Ellen Evert Hopman.

CWPN's Ostara Celebration!

Saturday, March 22, 2014

12 pm to 8 pm

American Legion Hall - 630 Grassy Hill Road, Orange, CT

Preregister and prepay to SAVE \$5! <http://www.cwpn.org/>

Prepay by March 15: \$10/CWPN members or \$15/Non-Members

At the door: \$15/CWPN Members or \$20/Non-Members

Children under 18 are free

Activities:

12:00 pm - Doors Open

12:30 pm - Drumming Class

1:30 pm - Children's Piñata

2:30 pm - Workshop with Tala: *Group Sound Healing for Clearing & Alignment*

4:30 pm - Ostara Ritual

6:00 pm - Pot Luck Dinner *Please bring potluck snack or dinner item. Beverages will be provided.*

Drumming & Dancing After Ritual Drums and noisemakers are encouraged.

Vendors, Artisans, Raffle

Questions, please contact:

Roger: iceraven1969@netscape.net (event host)

Lisa: rennotasil@yahoo.com (CWPN contact person)

March 29: Benefit Dinner for Bella & Ava Corbesato. Location: The Hall at Warsaw Park, 125 Pulaski Hwy, Ansonia. 6:30pm-12am. \$30 per person. Casual attire, bikes welcome. Music by: Bad

Mojo. Tickets/information: (203) 459-4642 or pay at the door.

The Corbesato family of Shelton recently lost all of their belongings due to a fire that gutted their condominium. Nicole and P.J. Corbesato are also facing another hardship as their two beautiful daughters struggle with serious heart conditions. Bella (age 2 1/2) and Ava (12 months) were each born with only half of a heart. To keep their conditions stable, both children will need to go through very serious surgeries by the time they are three years of age. As these sweet and innocent children look to the future, there is the possibility that both will require a heart transplant. 100% of the proceeds collected at this event will go to the Corbesato family. There will be no administrative expenses, we are relying on the generous donations of the community to help this family!

NEW T.V. DOCUMENTARY OPPORTUNITY!

This casting director - Chad Moore is a casting director for a new series all about women's empowerment! "Living Different" (Working Title) Casting Wording: Living life on your own terms takes courage. Whether you're labeled "weird," "brave," or "rebellious," your unconventional lifestyle makes you stand out and we want to share your story! Hud:Sun Media and a Major Cable Network are now seeking young women who are at least 21 years old and living in Southern California or the New York Tri-State area for a new television series about women who march to the beat of their own drum. "Living Different" (working title) is a new documentary series that will follow young women living unconventional lifestyles and the consequences they face to live life on their own terms.

- Are you pursuing a goal that has previously only been achieved by men?
- Making a decision that labels you "weird" or an "outsider" by society's standards?
- Participating in a world that others may deem "wrong" or "dangerous"?
- Have an obsession or passion that mainstream society considers "strange"?
- Are you in a unique relationship?
- Are you breaking gender stereotypes?
- Do you have a gift that makes you an outsider?
- Are you living somewhere exotic?
- Are you fighting for a cause that is bigger than all of us?
- Are you grappling with difficult obstacles in a unique way?

If you or someone you know is an extraordinary woman and want to share your story, we want to hear from you! Email your name, contact information and a little about you to LivingDifferentCasting@gmail.com More information available at www.shaggycasting.com

Commercial rental space available. Indoor Space available for People and Businesses seeking retail space. IDEAL for Antique shops, Consignment shops, Crafters, Art Galleries, Specialty Shops. Existing businesses inside current STREET FRONT BUILDING currently attracting retail clients. Other venues certainly considered for Tenancy. Space available immediately. Pricing available upon contact/call Johnny @ 203.414.9786. Only serious replies - No scams or gimmicks please.

Hunter Healing Hands: Located in Black Rock, Jessica and Jim Hunter's events include Reiki Share; monthly drum circle; classes and so much more! For details, cost, etc. please

see <http://www.hunterhealinghands.com>. http://web.mail.comcast.net/service/home/~/?auth=co&loc=en_US&id=864621&part=2 Contact 203-916-8381 to register for an event!

Finding Feathers – A Spiritual Center located at 395 Commerce Drive, Fairfield. (203) 916-7887 or email shaktidas@findingfeathersfairfield.com. Calendar: <http://findingfeathersfairfield.com/event-calendar/>

March 7-8 **Shen Yun** at the Palace Theatre, Waterbury. An international phenomenon, this show moves through 5,000 years of dynasties and regions through music, dance, aerial masters and battle drums set to animated backdrops. Based in New York, Shen Yun is a nonprofit organization dedicated to reviving authentic Chinese culture. Limited engagement, 2 days only. Ticket prices from \$50-\$120. Visit online at www.ShenYun.com/waterbury 888-974-3698

Astrology Corner

By Alethea Hunt, Astrologer

We begin the month of March under some very astrologically active skies – a New Moon in Pisces couples with the start of the Mars retrograde period PLUS another frictional Mars-Venus square all dominate the scene! We seem to be releasing/surrendering a lot of (likely painful) emotion at this New Moon courtesy of its close proximity to nearby healing asteroid Chiron and its contact to Jupiter in Cancer giving us emotions that overflow. There may be cleansing tears involved in this emotional healing, but if we should find ourselves a bit weepy with no clear explanation it's also possible it could even be hormonally prompted as this Lunar/Neptunian influence does provide us with a double dose of celestial estrogen floating around in the ethers. It's easy to get waterlogged with both of these energies being strongly Yin and promoting sensitivity of both body & spirit! Speaking of...do pay attention to any subtle cues your body gives if you should feel out of sorts because this would be a good time to consult with a medical intuitive, holistic therapist, or local shaman to look at potential at spiritual causes of illness. This is also a very magical Moon for divination, dreamwork and dealing with the etheric astral realms - particularly if you need to harness the water element/emotional energy and direct it toward the manifestation of a tangible objective with this lunation's sextile to powerful Pluto in Capricorn.

The Mars retrograde kicks off with a tight square to Venus in Capricorn, which brings us another opportunity to re-visit our standards and expectations of others with an eye toward behaviors that create relational friction. In my own newsletter back in December, I discussed the diminished sense of self-worth that Venus in Capricorn sometimes struggles with that allows us to accept crumbs from others – if this has been the case, Mars' station

may provide the impetus to finally put ourselves first. More generally speaking, this can also be a point where grease fires flare up in relationships – it may be because we're setting the bar higher, it may be because the other party is not valuing our time or effort, it could be that our partner is a workaholic, married to their job and having difficulty putting the relationship first....keep an eye out for hotspots because sparks are more liable to fly near the beginning of the month due this influence.

Mid-month we get a repeat of the Mercury-Saturn square, so as referenced in last month's newsletter watch what you say on the internet, on social networking sites, and among your friends because the potential for a privacy violation does exist. It may be safer just zip your lip and say nothing at all. And speaking of security breaches, I don't consider this influence particularly good for internet security in general. A cyber-attack/hack would not be outside the realm of possibility, so make sure your passwords are secure and your data backed up just to be on the safe side. It may be smartest to avoid public Wi-Fi hotspots and such – especially if you're doing any online commerce early to mid-month.

On the 14th, there is a nice trine between Mars & Mercury that favors new ways of communicating – you can use the desire for people to get along to proactively figure out innovative ways to circumvent any communication difficulties that arose in the wake of the aforementioned Mercury-Saturn square. This is a good energy to get dialog rolling for the sake of smoothing over any rough patch we may have hit with a partner, sibling, or friend. A Full Moon in Virgo graces us on the 18th by highlighting emotional, physical, and spiritual wellness....an inconjunct between the Virgo Moon & Mercury in Aquarius can make for sudden awareness of imbalances on any of these planes & prompt needed adjustment in our routines and diets. The sextile between this lunation & Saturn also speaks of limiting/preventing our intake of "toxins", whether this be literal or figurative. A good reminder while we're under the auspices of a very porous Pisces Sun....things may seep into our systems easily and we should look for smaller, more subtle things in our day-to-day habits or environment that we can reduce/eliminate. Meanwhile the Sun enters Aries on the 20th, ringing in the start of a new Solar Year on the Vernal Equinox – it's also International Astrology Day, hurray!

Venus is also quite busy the latter part of March. A zingy sextile between Venus in Aquarius & Uranus in Aries on the 18th equals plenty of chemistry between friends while also facilitating surprises in love & money matters – a good time for joining a group or for meeting people over the internet in particular! At the end of the month, Venus makes a simultaneous trine to Mars in Libra while squaring Saturn in Scorpio. This favors the new over the same old, same old in relationships – relationships that allow one another plenty of breathing room thrive while those that have grown stale or limiting founder. This is also an energetic setup that tends to value chemistry more than stability, so if things have gotten boring in your love life, do take this as a cue to mix things up and add a little spice. In established partnerships, a caution should be heeded that spending too much time with one's friends may cause relational friction. By contrast, there is also a high value on friendship, freedom,

& independence now and those who hold their partner back may very well get the kiss-off. So make sure you check & set your relational priorities **ahead** of this period to avoid difficulties and figure out which relationships sit at the top of your personal totem pole. Having a hierarchy and proceeding accordingly can help you sort out where time and energy is best invested. And - as always with Saturn in Scorpio - keep an eye towards situations that present a potential energy sink so that you can mitigate any potential losses.

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the Divinity within you"**

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