

BARSTOOL ASTROLOGY

We're in the lion heart of Leo season and the waning days of summer; encouraging everyone to take well-lit nudes and call in late to work.

In astrological terms the month's full moon, rising next Thursday, represents abundance, and the reaping of what's been sewn. The first full moon of August is known colloquially as the sturgeon or wheat cut moon, so named for the time of year when the formidable and long living lake fish are easily caught and the crop is ready for cutting. What kind of crop will you be bringing in? It depends entirely on what you've spent your season cultivating. Enemies? Patience? Hydroponic weed in your guest bathroom? Whatever blessings or consequences pushing their way through the metaphorical soil are entirely of our own making. Sharpen your sickles.

Whether your bounty is bright or your blueberries blighted, the sturgeon moon, and the fish that it invokes invite us to take care of ourselves and evaluate our defenses and approaches. It's a great time to prune yourself in a bathtub while reading Stephen Covey's "The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People." Add to the mix that the moon this month is ruled by complicated, emotionally bureaucratic Aquarius creating a tension between our reptile and celestial brains; fuck, feed, kill vs. love, nourish, collaborate. Choose the path of conscious evolution or at the very least step lightly down the road to ruin.

ARIES

It's easier for you to burn bridges than offer or accept olive branches, but remember Ram-bo - olives are edible, ashes are not.

Aries: Hugh Hefner

TAURUS

A born people pleaser you often over promise and emotionally self-flagellate when you under deliver. Leave some space on your dance card for you and leave guilt to well-versed Catholics.

Taurus: Shirley Temple

GEMINI

You are easily distracted and find it challenging to see things through. Your grindstone is more like malleable earthen clay. Completing a sidelined or half-finished project will not only silence your naysayers but can actively better the world around you.

Notable Gemini: Prince

CANCER

You're loosely psychic and tightly cautious. Over exposure to true crime documentaries and the dark web amplify your hesitations. Turning off the television and tuning out your inner doubts will leave you open to adventure and adventurous company.

Notable Cancer: Elon Musk

LEO

The time for teamwork is now Leo. You'll never get a standing ovation if you insist that everyone fall at your feet.

Notable Leo: Sean Penn

VIRGO

You are usually right, a fact you are quick to remind friends and strangers of. But Virgo, even the most exacting mathematicians leave room for a margin of error. Consider that your first judgement need not be your final one.

Notable Virgo: Tim Burton

LIBRA

You're charming and talkative though generally a terrible listener. The time for change is upon you and the planets are conspiring to help you communicate in a more substantial way. In the coming weeks conversation should be measured in depth rather than berth.

Notable Libra: Snoop Dogg

SCORPIO

You have zero chill when it comes to relationships and easily win the superlative for sign most likely to make a hair doll. Remember that though a person might not be able to return your intensity it does not necessarily mean they don't return your sentiment.

Notable Scorpio: Marie Curie

SAGGITARIUS

Your need to feel free and untethered is real and should be honored. Your pursuit of it should, however, minimize collateral emotional damage.

Notable Sagittarius: Pablo Escobar

CAPRICORN

Holding grudges leads to premature aging of the skin. Holding on to relationships and people that do not elevate you leads to premature death of the soul. Forgive freely but don't hesitate to compassionately excommunicate.

Notable Capricorn: Michelle Obama

AQUARIUS

Your social network is expanding and the brilliance you bring to collectives and organizations is in high demand. Be it a book club or a resurrection of the Revolutionary Socialist Movement, commit yourself to a cause.

Notable Aquarius: Al Capone

PISCES

August offers an auspicious opportunity for Pisceans to heal old wounds and reckon with past wrongs. The sole requirement for receiving the elixir is admitting you need it.

Notable Pisces: Rihanna