10.10.19 BARSTOOL ASTROLOGY

We are scales deep in Libra season and the influence of the cardinal air sign can be felt most acutely in our personal relationships. Libra season is the time of year we most want to be surrounded by others. At best this is a period of levity and affection, exchange and inspiration. At its worst it's marked by people pleasing, codependence and failure to follow through. How to balance? Don't overcommit to plans or declare your love to strangers.

Blessedly, the full Hunter's Moon arrives October 13th to direct our focus from relationships to individualization. Who are we beyond the ties that bind us? Named for the time of year when prey was easily stalked and stockpiled, the Hunter's Moon calls to mind gathering and feasting, sharing in the harvest and preparing for the winter ahead. Symbolically this moon asks us to inventory what nourishes us and decide what should be savored, what should be stored away and what should be spat out. Take only what you need.

ARIES

Interactions with an authority figure could activate your anger. Practice your four-square breathing warlords, what feels like calculated undermining may turn out to be an honest misunderstanding.

Notable Aries: Diana Ross

TAURUS

Negative patterns are learned and so to can be unlearned. When it comes to reprogramming yourself Bull, choose a teacher that has mastered the art.

Notable Taurus: Vladimir Lenin

GEMINI

You are not one to wallow in existential dread but the planets are aligned to challenge your notions of purpose and belief. This is all part of the plan Gemini, even if the weeks ahead make you question the existence of one. Notable Gemini: Josephine Baker

CANCER

Often times the hardest thing to speak is the truth. Say it anyways. Your natural warmth will ensure your words are delivered with compassion and received with grace.

Notable Cancer: Lil' Kim

LEO

Your punishing ideas of success and failure were forged long ago. It is time to redefine triumph and recognize that you can win without anyone else having to lose.

Notable Leo: Ginger Baker

VIRGO

You rarely fail in your pursuits Virgo, but you fail regularly to find joy in them. Focus on appreciating every step that leads you to success.

Notable Virgo: Buddy Bolden

LIBRA

You are coming to the end of a relationship cycle Libra. The energy of the full moon offers you the opportunity to free yourself of destructive patterns, most notably those that forfeit progress for security. Notable Libra: Evel Knievel

SCORPIO

Fun fact: all species of scorpion are venomous. Their poison functions as weapon, defense, and in some cases, a mating technique. In the coming weeks Scorpio, you will be tasked not with denying the potency of your poison but tempering your use of it.

Notable Scorpio: Joaquin Phoenix

SAGGITARIUS

By nature, you are goal driven and hard-working. The full moon calls for rest and the revision of the goal itself. What do you want the legacy of your labors to be?

Notable Sagittarius: Tom Waits

CAPRICORN

You don't always engage in reckless behavior Capricorn, but when you do, you go big. Rather than running towards bad habits, examine and amend the circumstances that drive you to them.

Notable Capricorn: Eartha Kitt

AQUARIUS

Your powers of persuasion and manifestation are at an all-time high Aquarius. Granted favors, unlikely permissions and realized dream are all in the forecast. Be careful what you wish for. Notable Aquarius: Rasputin

PISCES

You'll have the element of surprise on your side when your usually tranquil waters boil over into outburst. We must sometimes be loud in order to be heard.

Notable Pisces: Jack Kerouac