

HOROSCOPE

by Elizabeth Via

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
Venus (affection-love) eases up on the first weeks of this month until the 16th. You could have a lovely brief encounter, perhaps with someone who is helping you out with financial matters. Your money house continues to be heavily activated. Actually, this is a favorable time for money, but delays are possible after the 17th.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)
You get a heavy line-up of the "big guy" planets in your opposite house of Virgo. This means relationships and partnerships will all be stressed and others will be in the driver's seat. It won't be until May that you are ready to move. Use this time for clearing up the underbrush in your life.

Aries (March 21-April 20)
With all the heavy build-ups in Virgo, Mars (action-energy), Jupiter (benefits), and Saturn (long-range plans), you will be very busy with others. Career is emphasized and social life may be curtailed. Close associates may be irritable, but you will be able to see where the trouble spots are and offer solutions.

Taurus (April 21-May 20)
Your 10th house is soothed by love (Venus in Aquarius) until the 16th. Do not give up on any plans because you can enlist the right person to help you now, and by May something really encouraging can break. Your love life gets a boost, or someone with a secret yen for you does you a favor.

Gemini (May 2-June 20)
You could be torn between having to travel and heavy responsibilities in your home area. You may be thinking of a residential move, or refurbishing so that you can clear up a lot of loose ends. With the triple accent of Mars (action-energy), Jupiter (luck-benefits), and Saturn (caution-evaluation) in your 4th house, you may end one thing and begin another.

Cancer (June 21-July 20)
This is a busy time: you will be taking lots of little trips. Perhaps your work will be the reason, as you attend conferences, meetings. This is a good time to place that ad you have been thinking of. Do it before the 17th. Any favors you ask by phone or mail will be granted.

Leo (July 21-Aug. 21)
With Venus (affection-favors) starting out the month, in your opposite sign, Aquarius, others will be favorably disposed to your ideas. Money can be increased - you might receive a gift, or a raise. You might even win something. If you are trying to collect

money, sell something, or get a raise, try to get the transaction completed by January 16th when Mars gets sluggish and slows down.

Virgo (Aug. 22-Sept. 22)
The year begins with you feeling very together. The emphasis is in Virgo with Mars (action-energy), Jupiter (optimism-luck) and Saturn (achievement) in your first solar house of personality. Partnership offers are in the air (romantic ones too), and travel and business work to your advantage. A long association may end while a romance may turn serious.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
The long cycle of Mars (energy-action) in Virgo in your 12th house of the hidden or subconscious stresses confidential matters, plans to be unveiled later, private agreements. This is further augmented by Jupiter (benefits-luck) and Saturn (organization-duty) also in that hidden sector. You feel you want to break out; duty pulls you right back though.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 22)
The trio of planets in Virgo-Mars (sex appeal-energy), Jupiter (fortunate happenings), and Saturn (discipline)-are all in your house of friends and group associations. This is a fine aspect for working with political groups. You could find yourself heading up an important project and that some VIP is happy to repay you for a job well done. Family life is tinged with Venus' blessings.

Sagittarius (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)
Jupiter (increase-unbidden good fortune), Saturn (achievement), and Mars (sex appeal-energy) are emphasizing the momentous transit of your 10th VIP house. This is the apex of your chart and you can't help but enjoy increases in money, friends, and opportunities. Perhaps a career change is indicated this month. Venus (charm-affection) is helping you communicate charmingly so you might make a staunch new friend or even have a romance through your communications or neighborhood.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
This month try to clear up as many loose ends as possible before the 17th. Schedule negotiations and agreements to be completed before then. A sticky problem or large project may not really get off the ground until May, and something you thought complete may have to be reworked then. Mars (action-energy) is slowing down for many months.

JOIN TABLE TALK ON WEDNESDAYS

Have a craving for good conversation as well as food? Why not join in on Table Talk each Wednesday from 12:30-1:30 in the small dining room of the cafeteria? Interested students, faculty, and staff have already explored such topics as the crisis in Afghanistan and the re-institution of the draft. Future Table Talks promise equally provocative subjects for discussion. You too can become a part of a group interested in knowing more

about what's happening in the country and the world. Just bring your tray and an inquisitive mind to the small dining room on Wednesdays.

FRENCH CLUB CREPE SALE IS A SUCCESS

Wednesday night, January 16, the French Club gathered in Smedes Kitchen for their first crepe sale for 1980. They served French silk crepes and strawberry preserve crepes. The French Club plans to have other crepe sales this year with additional kinds of crepes offered.

Jennifer Collins

Meet The New Bachelor At St. Mary's



Mr. Freddy Wayne Hester

INTRAMURAL SCHEDULE 1980

Jan. 30	Swim Meet
Feb. 6	+ANYTHING GOES
Feb. 13	Badminton and Bowling and Swimming
Feb. 20	Volleyball
March 11	+STUDENT vs FACULTY BASKETBALL
March 19	Tennis: Mixed Doubles
March 26	Tug of War
April 9	Volleyball
April 15	+STUDENT vs FACULTY BASKETBALL
April 21	SPORTS ASSEMBLY

Mark your calendar! And come for lots of fun, relaxation, and ESCAPE!

Origin Of Valentine's Day Investigated

St. Valentine's Day is a lovely day traditionally set aside for all to tenderly show their affection for one another. We all eagerly await February 14th hoping for that "special Valentine." This traditional love day carries many forgotten legends. Some believe Valentine's Day to have originated from pagan customs and others believe it to have a Christian origin.

One of the pagan legends of Valentine's Day is that it was first a Roman love festival. The festival was held in honor of Juno, the goddess of love and marriage, and Pan, the god of herds and fertility. One of the highlights of the festival occurred when the young men and women chose partners by drawing names. It was a custom for the partners to exchange small presents as tokens of their affection. As time passed, the festival became known as Lupercalia, even though the festival customs remained the same. Lupercus was the god who the Romans believed watched over the shepherds and their flocks. Each year this festival of joyful thanksgiving was celebrated on February 15. Many believe that this Roman custom became Valentine's Day.

Others believe Valentine's Day to have a Christian origin. The most popular of the Christian legends is about a much loved Roman priest named Valentine. Valentine married young couples in secrecy against the Emperor Claudius' command. Claudius commanded that there were to be no more marriages in all

of Rome - simply because his army was not large enough. Young couples continued to come to the temple in secrecy and the good priest Valentine would marry them. We all know that such a secret can not be kept for long. The expected happened and Claudius found out and was immensely angry that anyone should disobey his command. He ordered that Valentine be imprisoned indefinitely. Many years later Valentine died in the dungeon, but not without the love of many. The good priest Valentine became a saint. Italy, France, and England were among the first countries to begin the custom of sending dear friends sweet messages in honor of the "good priest St. Valentine who disobeyed Claudius the Cruel."

Whether you believe the origin of Valentine's Day to be pagan or Christian, the sentiment remains the same. Valentine's Day was and is a lovely day set aside for all to tenderly show their affection for one another.

DID YOU KNOW?

... The custom of celebrating Valentine's Day began in England as early as 1446.

... The tradition of sending Valentines, small gifts of affection, originated from a medieval superstition in England and France. Medieval people believe that at the start of the second fortnight (14 days) of the second month the birds began to mate. "For this was on St.

"St. Mary's is an excellent place to find out about teaching. I am enjoying it more and more and more." Freddy Wayne Hester replies with chuckles when I ask him if he is enjoying his first teaching job. The fact is that the girls in his ecology class are enjoying him too.

Mr. Hester, an avid sports enthusiast, enjoys rock-climbing, gymnastics, and running. Mr. Hester rock climbs at Wind River Range in Wyoming and at Hanging Rock in North Carolina. He hopes to become an experienced rock-climber so that he may instruct during the summers.

Mr. Hester, who is from Wilson, North Carolina, attended North Carolina State University and earned a degree in Landscape Architecture. While teaching at St. Mary's, he is continuing his education at State, working towards a degree in Soil Science.

No, girls, Mr. Hester is not married. In fact, he has been living alone for ten years. He enjoys cooking foods such as crepes, enchiladas, and omelets. He bluntly told me, "I've been living alone for ten years. You either learn to cook or go hungry."

Another one of Mr. Hester's favorite activities is dancing. He enjoys all kinds of dancing, including clogging. Being a mountain girl, I raised my eyebrows at this response because I have not encountered many Eastern North Carolinian cloggers. But Mr. Hester graciously explained that he learned from a group of cloggers in Greenville.

Mr. Hester believes that he is gaining more confidence and experience each day he teaches at St. Mary's College. I am sure the girls in his science classes won't argue with that. Thank you, Mr. Hester, and welcome to St. Mary's.

Caroline Brown

Valentine's Day," wrote Chaucer in *Parliament of Fowles*, "when every fowl comes to choose his mate."

... In the days of English chivalry, on February 14, all of the names of the village's promising maidens and bachelors were placed into a large box; the names were then drawn out in pairs. Each pair would exchange presents as tokens of their affections. The young maiden would then become the man's "Valentine." The name of each maiden was placed on the shoulder of the lucky man's garment. The young man then became bound to protect and attend to the maiden for at least a year.

... During the battle of Agincourt a young French duke was captured. The duke was held prisoner in the Tower of London for many years. During this time he wrote tender love poems to his wife. Sixty of these Valentines dating back to the early 15th century are in a collection among the royal papers in the British Museum.

... The custom of sending flowers for Valentine's Day began when the daughter of Henry IV of France gave a grand party in honor of St. Valentine. Each young man gave a beautiful bouquet of flowers to the lady he wished to be his Valentine.

Beth Simpson