



It's All In The Stars

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WEEK OF APRIL 25-MAY 1

This is the time of the year when all begins to feel a lot more like things are really changing for the better. Happy birthday to all you beautiful Venusians. "Taurus," your bull-like attitude may be just what you need to bring some exciting changes in your life. Your home life is important to you for that gives you your sense of security. After all, you have checked all of the unexpected moves that could cause you to doubt whether this is the right time. Let your heart be the instrument of bringing the love back in your home, not your head, for that has been the problem all along. Be happy. Let this year be your best yet. Enjoy and relax.

ARIES

March 21-April 19

This cycle could find you letting things get somewhat out of control. That is, your control when you "let your head fly off at the handle," as the old folks used to say. The reason being that you can get more from honey than from vinegar. The Full Moon may find you in a little of a crunch; however, as you let go... let God... all is well.

TAURUS

April 20-May 20

Follow your intuition and let things go forth. When you act too pushy and don't allow the other to get a word in, then things can get somewhat out of hand. Patience on this full moon. Use the subtle approach and things may get better.

GEMINI

May 21-June 21

Could be that you are feeling that Lady Luck is there now for you, however the stars say wait. There is a better time and let not your hand reflect the motion of your mind. Think first, then act. This Full Moon should see you from behind the scene. And you may come out smelling like roses after all.

CANCER

June 22-July 22

Your creative button is being pushed now and on this Full Moon you may see the results of long-awaited actions. Although the time to move forward is on the horizon, now is the time to control. Your intuition is great, so follow it.

LEO

July 23-Aug. 22

Yes, Leo, full speed ahead when it comes to what you think is just. However, as this Full Moon comes in, your emotions may be aroused so be calm and collected and the best will flow to you. Relax a little and let some fun into your life. Work will always be there.

VIRGO

Aug. 23-Sept. 22

Why let some distractions cause you to brood over what could have been? Let this cycle find you on the go and draw to you the very best of energies that could make a difference in your life. This Full Moon may be just what you've needed to bring things out in the open and this way you can move on. Give it time and all is well.

LIBRA

Sept. 23-Oct. 23

Perhaps you will have to make a difference in the budget by pulling in your purse strings. However, in the long run things will come out better for you. It's time to put \$\$\$ matters in a new perspective. Could be that your partner's ideas are okay.

SCORPIO

Oct. 24-Nov. 22

Yes, you can have your own opinion, however there is a time and a place for everything under the sun and this time as this Full Moon touches you may be better for you to stay in the background and just hold your peace and feel the balance and not let your moods catch you in an unexpected way. Relax and take a nice "bath."

SAGITTARIUS

Nov. 23-Dec. 21

Ideas do flow easily to you and perhaps you do miss some of the small details. However, when you let others in to help you, there will be a compliment to the conclusion and you will find all of your projects going well. Help is needed sometimes and to let your emotions cause you to waste energy on "Why... why..." give it up and let it be.

CAPRICORN

Dec. 22-Jan. 19

You are always on the go and for sure this cycle will find you tuning up for another run. However, take time to smell the roses and watch—things will be better than you thought. A good night's sleep may help the morning look better.

AQUARIUS

Jan. 20-Feb. 18

Sometimes when things go through changes they help one look and move forth in a new direction and just that is what can happen as this Full Moon comes in. Just be on guard to the gateway of your mind and let not things of the past trip you up. Many times when you look to the east you will soon notice that the sun sets in the west and perhaps that is where your answer is on this Full Moon. Peace is your key.

PISCES

Feb. 19-March 20

Keep an eye on where your assets are and where you may need to tighten your reins. Budget is important sometimes and helps you see exactly where you are. The Full Moon may bring to you just what you wanted to hear and it looks like the news is favorable, especially around the 30th. Be calm and that's your key.

Here we are at gardening time and for sure we shall have an abundant crop this year. This Full Moon is a good time for planting and for sure the crops will be strong. Keep your head on and don't get caught in negative energy. Take a nice bath and read your favorite book (Psalms 2, 23, 27, 51).

OES Held Annual Open Workshop On April 10

An opening workshop was held at Jephtha Daughters Chapter No. 623 of the Order of the Eastern Star on April 10.

Worthy Matron Betty Sue Wilson was in charge. The meeting opened with prayer by Bro. Jesse J. Fowler.

Grand District Deputy Juanita Bright was the instructor.

The attendance consisted of various chapters throughout District 9.

The worthy matron and worthy patron for the workshop were Sister Elgie Whitley of the Administrative Council and Brother Jesse Wiggins of the Administrative Council of District 9.

Refreshments were served following the workshop. Closing prayer was by Bro. Fowler.

Rosebud Chapter No. 628, OES, held its opening workshop on March 12 at 6:30 p.m., with the worthy matron and worthy patron present.

Opening prayer was offered by Bro. Fowler. The grand district deputy then took over.

There were 30 sisters and branches of various chapters present.

Closing prayer was offered by Bro. Fowler.

Refreshments were served following the meeting.

Star of Hope Chapter, OES, held its opening workshop on April 15 in Clayton, with the worthy matron, Sis. Bessie Tomlinson, present.

Opening prayer was offered by Bro. Bennie Williams, past grand lecturer in the East.

The worthy matron and worthy patron of the Administrative Council of District 9, Sis. Whitley and Bro. Wiggins, were in charge.

Grand District Deputy Bright and Bro. Williams were instructors. There were 33 sisters and brothers attending the workshop.

The grand district deputy and past grand lecturer were excited about the performance of the members.

Closing prayer was offered by Bro. Herman Badger.

Refreshments were served following the workshop.

District reporter is Lanis Fowler.



REV. KENNETH HAMMOND



DR. MARION PHILLIPS

Martin Street Baptist To Host Men's Day Meet

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The Laymen's League of Martin Street Baptist Church will observe Men's Day on Sunday, April 28, and on Saturday, April 27. The guest speaker at the 11 a.m. worship service on Sunday will be the Rev. Kenneth Hammond of Greenville. Rev. Hammond is pastor of Mt. Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church, Williamston.

The theme for this year's observance is "Today's World Crisis and the Black Male." This theme will also be the focus of the address given on Saturday by another speaker, Dr. Marion Phillips.

Sunday's speaker, Rev. Hammond, is a native of Winterville, where he attended the public schools. He received his B.A. degree from East Carolina University and the master of divinity degree from Shaw University. He received the master of arts degree in counselor education from East Carolina University and is a candidate for the doctorate in education in May from North Carolina State University.

Rev. Hammond holds membership in many civic and professional organizations and he serves on many boards. He is a member of the Pitt County Alumni Board of Directors of East Carolina University and he is a member of the First Citizens Bank Board of Directors. He is a member of the Greenville Utilities Board of Commissioners. Additionally, Hammond is a member of the Martin County Branch of the NAACP and serves as a board member of the Pitt County Adolescent Health Project.

Rev. Hammond holds membership in many local, state and national organizations in the counseling profession.

Some of his religious affiliations include the National Baptist Convention, USA; Lott Carey Foreign Missionary Convention; past president, United Interdenominational Ministries of Eastern North Carolina and Political Action Committee of the Pitt County Black Ministers Conference.

His honors include "Outstanding Young Man in America" for three different years, "Who's Who Among College and University Students," citation from the Joint Council of Health and Citizenship, National Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi, Martin Luther King Distinguished Service Award, and "Who's Who in Education."

Rev. Hammond is a member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity and Mt. Hermon Masonic Lodge. He is married to the former Evelyn Patrick, and they have two children.

The evening service at 7 p.m. will include a concert by the Male Chorus and will end with remarks from the pastor, Rev. Charles T. Bullock.

During the month of April, the Laymen's League of Martin Street Church is sponsoring a food pantry. Deacon Horace Smith is president and Victor Knight is vice president. The public is invited to attend this observance of Men's Day.

Dr. Marion Phillips, associate dean of the UNC Medical School, will be the breakfast speaker on Saturday, April 27, at the Martin Street Church's first activity in observance of Men's Day. The breakfast will be held from 9-11 a.m.

Dr. Phillips will speak on the theme, "Today's World Crises and the Black Male."

Dr. Phillips is a native of Orangeburg, S.C., and graduated from Clark College in Atlanta, Ga. He received the master of theology and doctoral degrees from the University of Chicago.

Dr. Phillips, who is known as a social activist, currently serves as president of Eta Sigma Chapter of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Raleigh.

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