

# Our Strength Is in Our Union

## An Astrological Overview of the Work Ahead

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Regardless of who moves into the White House on Inauguration Day, January 20, 2017, we are all players in this chapter of history—a turning point that is part of a larger drama of eons unfolding before us, a tide that cannot be turned back.

The times have been tumultuous in recent years (transiting Uranus square transiting Pluto), not only nationally, but also in our personal lives and fortunes.

Despite all the emerging Aquarian freedoms and equalities, and the technological advances that have increased our connectivity, tolerance, and humanity, the greatest danger facing our nation

at this time, I believe, is still divisiveness. What can be done to bridge the chasms, the great ideological rifts separating Americans from one another?

We need to find our way out of the chaos and confusion that threatens our national harmony and prosperity. Now is the time to espouse high ideals (transiting Neptune in Pisces trine the US natal Sun) that we are willing to fight for, that define us as a people, and that motivate us to transcend selfishness, while increasing our compassion, soul-sensitivity, and service to life.

In recent years, Pluto has been opposing the US natal Sun for the first time in this nation's history

peaking these last 10 months. Pluto exposes what is hidden and brings it to the surface. Transiting Uranus entered the equation in Aries (March 11, 2011 to 2018), and triggered by faster moving planets (especially Mars), added to the tension, setting off revolutions and uprisings around the world, also triggering terrorism and insanity. Pluto transits are always difficult! Pluto's square to the US Saturn in Libra denotes a

social movement (not a terrorist group but often linked to them due to the connection between religion and political activism).

The second event was on October 29, 1929, the day the Stock Market crashed, a pivotal event in the Great Depression. Granted, the story is complex, but it is enough to understand that when cycles come around as they are now, with transiting Pluto in opposition to Pluto in these events and Uranus rocking the boat,

they act as triggers. It's worthy to note that squares can be power points, requiring that we get on top of the energies. Here, we see exposure at such a deep level, the intensity of the times we are living in now.

For all its raucousness, name-calling, and lack of civility, we've seen more mudslinging than most could

bear during these Presidential debates. Particularly, we've seen Donald Trump exposing core issues at the heart of government, finance, and power. *NY Times* columnist David Brooks commented recently on PBS, crediting Donald Trump for the education he's given us: "I certainly hear a lot of people say that Trump not only incited some bad things, he also exposed some important things. He exposed pain in the country that a lot of us didn't understand the full extent of, and some of the divisions and chasms in the country." These issues will not be swept under the rug, however the political parties shake down in 2017.

Transiting Saturn in Sagittarius (beliefs and ideologies)

certain stripping of lies, economic and political power struggles and intrigues. It also portends the danger of an enemy from without threatening our national security and prosperity.

The last time Uranus was in Aries in similar degrees was from 1928 to 1931. In 1928–1929, Saturn was also in Sagittarius as it is today, and Pluto in Cancer was opposite its current position in Capricorn. Two significant events came to my attention. One was in March of 1928, when Pluto conjoined the US natal Sun and was square Uranus in Aries, the Muslim Brotherhood was founded in Egypt by Hassan al-Banna as an Islamist religious, political, and



opposed the US Uranus in Gemini in 2016, and soon will oppose the US Mars in Gemini. Beyond the squabbles, media mismanagement and fighting, transiting Saturn is closing in on its square to the US natal Neptune in Virgo opposing transiting Chiron in Pisces stirring up ignorance, fear, the collective unconscious! We need to strengthen our faith, our convictions and commitment to truth and honor, our gratitude for the opportunity to settle our national and personal debts. In foreign affairs (Sagittarius) as well as at home, JFK's words during his inaugural address in 1961 come to mind: "We must never negotiate out of fear, but never fear to negotiate."

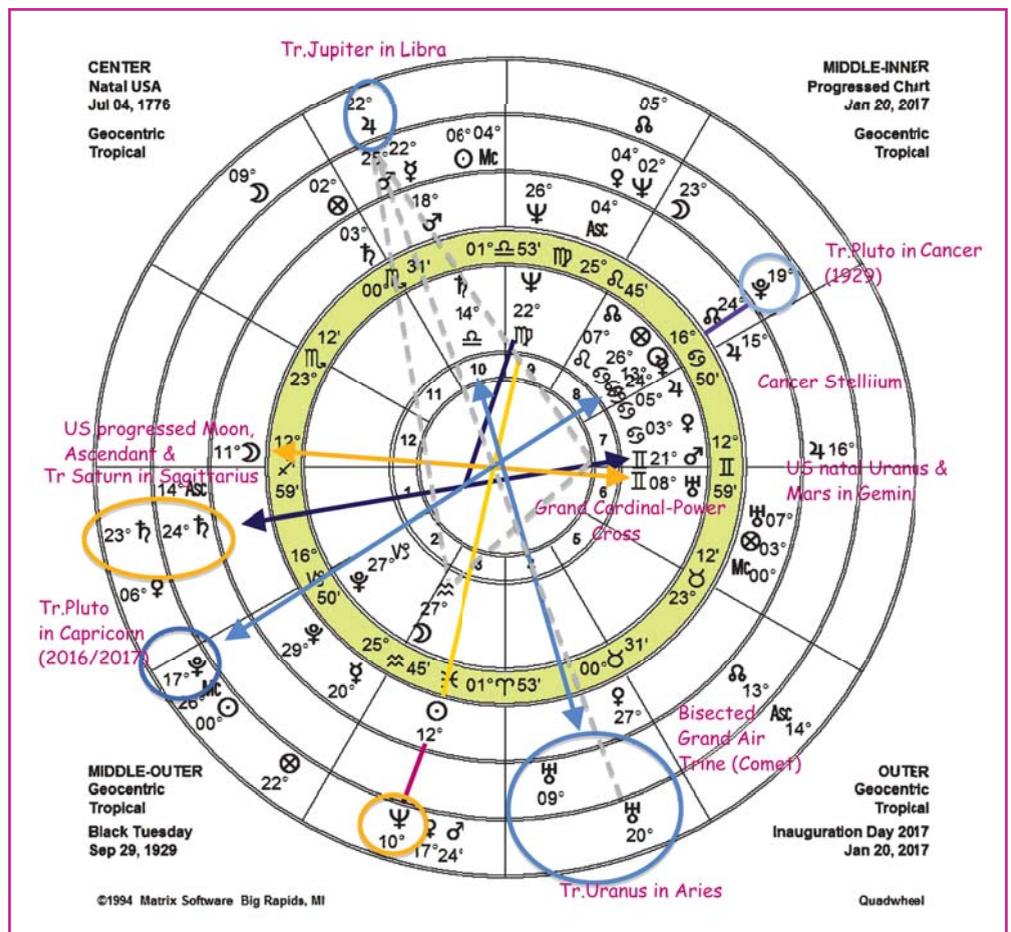
In his "House Divided" speech (June 16th, 1858, at the Republican Convention in Springfield, IL), Abraham Lincoln warned that a house divided against itself could not stand. It will be dissolved or it will be laid to waste. Lincoln added, "I do not expect the Union to be dissolved—I do not expect the house to fall—but I do expect it to cease to be divided. It will become one thing or another."

America was born out of argument, as July 4th, 1776 was a time of tremendous social turmoil, political passion, and intrigues (US Mercury opposed US Pluto; Mars quincunx Pluto and square Neptune). Not all embraced revolutionary ideals (Moon in Aquarius quincunx Neptune). Differences not only of opinion but also of lifestyle were very much a challenge facing the early patriots who sought to forge a nation from states that considered themselves more like separate countries than colonies. The framers of the Constitution worked hard to ensure our government could house differing opinions (US Grand Air Trine/Comet), but would be strong enough to not be splintered by them. America is a nation of union in diversity, built on laws that the founding

fathers hoped would reflect divine principles among men.

Lincoln believed the hand of destiny was upon him to save the Union. In hindsight, we see how Lincoln, an Aquarian (born February 12, 1809) held his convictions and vision virtually alone. Today, we must be of one accord, not only with one another, but also with the freedom-loving peoples of the world! The challenge falls upon each of us individually more than ever before.

At the time of this writing, two weeks before election day, although we cannot say of a certainty who will be our next President, the polls are leaning heavily toward Hillary Clinton. So are most astrologers, although with the current astrology, surprises are part of the planetary menu! That being said, America is ripe for a woman to occupy the highest office in the land.



**Astrological Quad-Wheel (US Natal & Progressed Charts, Black Tuesday 1929, and Inauguration Day 2017) showing alignment of major planetary forces and the repetition of cycles. Note: Saturn once more in Sagittarius (having recently crossed US Ascendant), Uranus in Aries square Pluto to as in Cancer conjoined US Sun; now in Capricorn opposed US Sun) testing our mettle and spiritual maturity and our collective wisdom, forcing us to redirect our course as a nation, to seriously evaluate our choices, rocking our foundations and our economy, exposing hypocrisy, yet opening the way for new horizons.**



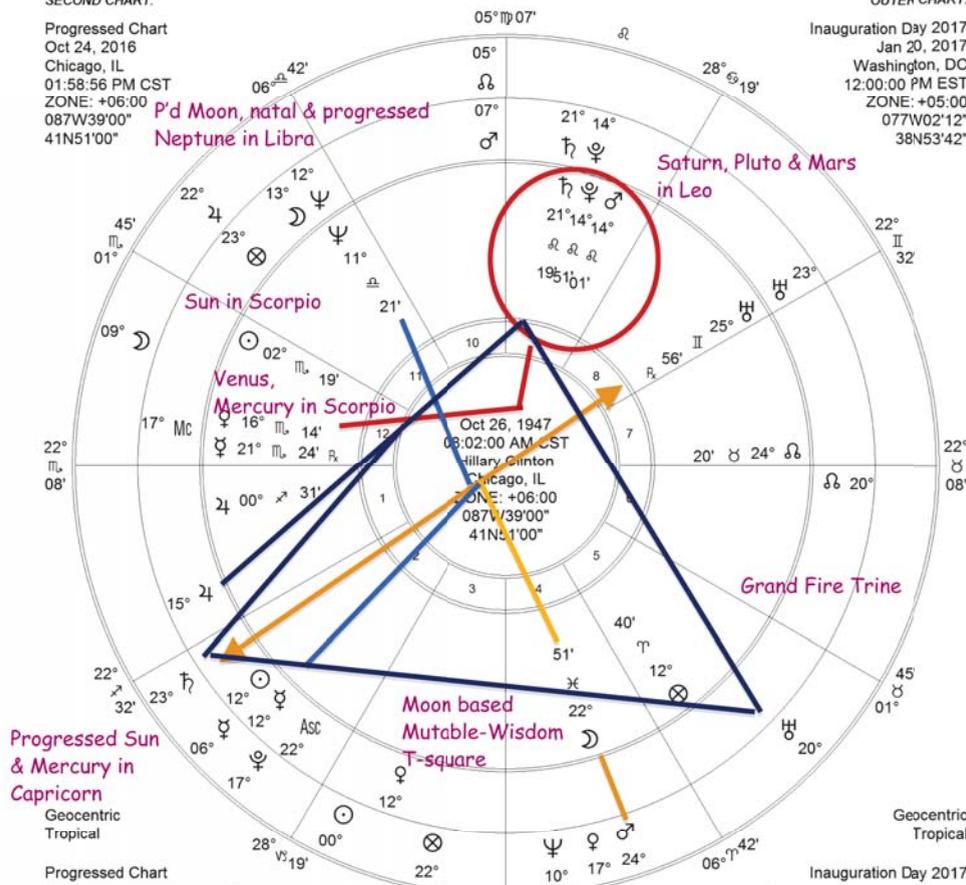
## Hillary Clinton's Natal & Progressed Charts w/ Inauguration Day

### SECOND CHART:

Progressed Chart  
 Oct 24, 2016  
 Chicago, IL  
 01:58:56 PM CST  
 ZONE: +06:00  
 087W39'00"  
 41N51'00"

### OUTER CHART:

Inauguration Day 2017  
 Jan 20, 2017  
 Washington, DC  
 12:00:00 PM EST  
 ZONE: +05:00  
 077W02'12"  
 38N53'42"



Progressed Sun & Mercury in Capricorn

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### Progressed Chart

Pl	Geo Lon	R	Decl.
♃	13° 53' 33"		-02° 23'
♄	12° 50' 07"		-22° 54'
♅	12° 50' 08"		-24° 42'
♆	12° 52' 07"		-18° 51'
♇	07° 07' 27"		+11° 57'
♈	15° 52' 41"		-22° 08'
♉	21° 42' 51"	R	+15° 18'
♊	23° 02' 24"	R	+23° 26'
♋	12° 52' 57"		-03° 42'
♌	14° 42' 28"	R	+23° 30'
♍	20° 52' 41"		+17° 56'
♎	23° 52' 51"		-09° 16'
♏	17° 52' 26"		-17° 02'

♃	22° 51' 51"	-02° 03'
♄	02° 02' 19"	-12° 17'
♅	21° 02' 24"	-20° 53'
♆	16° 02' 14"	-16° 26'
♇	14° 02' 01"	+18° 03'
♈	00° 02' 31"	+15° 39'
♉	21° 02' 19"	+15° 16'
♊	25° 02' 56"	+23° 31'
♋	11° 02' 21"	-03° 08'
♌	14° 02' 51"	+23° 06'
♍	24° 02' 20"	+18° 52'
♎	12° 02' 40"	+05° 00'
♏	05° 02' 07"	+09° 38'

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### Inauguration Day 2017

Pl	Geo Lon	R	Decl.
♃	09° 02' 21"		-10° 07'
♄	00° 02' 50"		-19° 58'
♅	06° 02' 46"		-22° 07'
♆	17° 02' 44"		-04° 33'
♇	24° 02' 22"		-02° 45'
♈	22° 02' 43"		-07° 34'
♉	23° 02' 31"		-22° 00'
♊	20° 02' 46"		+07° 34'
♋	10° 02' 16"		-08° 30'
♌	17° 02' 37"		-21° 18'
♍	05° 02' 11"		+09° 37'
♎	22° 02' 39"		-13° 58'
♏	26° 02' 13"		-20° 54'

Tri-Standard Wheel

**A Grand Fire Trine (transiting Saturn in Sagittarius conjoined natal Jupiter and transiting Uranus in Aries, all trine natal Leo stellium) propel Hillary Clinton on in the fulfillment of her lifelong goals and ambitions at this time. But transiting Saturn opposes her natal Uranus already squaring her sensitive Moon in Pisces, testing her ability to work with others, her consideration and awareness of differing opinions (within the Congress, among the people, within her own home and psychology), the tension between the older and younger generations, conservative and liberal, etc. She will be brought to task if her words (Gemini) do not match her actions (Sagittarius). Has she worked through her own inner pain? How in touch is she, really, with national pain? Or will she seek somehow to escape and remain aloof (and therefore be unpopular)? Can she strengthen her health on time?**

Clinton's own astrology is propitious for the next few months (transiting Saturn in Sagittarius and transiting Uranus in Aries, trine natal Saturn forming a Grand Fire Trine throughout 2017). However it plays out, Trump is not likely to disappear from view. If he's not sitting in the White House, chances are he will be stirring things up (Mars in fiery Leo conjoined his Ascendant). Transiting Saturn in Sagittarius will oppose Trump's natal Sun at 22 degrees Gemini in January of 2017, and again in September.

Like anyone else born around June 14, Trump's life will take a new direction, based on definitive choices he will make around that time. But President or not, I suspect his life will be dedicated (transiting Uranus in Aries trine his Mars in Leo) to bringing about social and political breakthroughs.

Donald Trump and Hillary Clinton are close in age. Trump was born June 14, 1946, and Clinton was born October 26, 1947. Perhaps not surprisingly, they have some key similarities in their astrological charts. They both were born with Mars, the action planet, in Leo (creativity, leadership, children) and like all born between mid-May of 1942 and mid-May of 1949, they have Uranus in

Gemini. (Uranus was in Gemini on July 4th, 1776!) Americans like to hear opposing sides. But Uranus in Trump's chart conjoins his Sun—words would fly out of your mouth if you had this too! And he can't seem to pull the reins on a certain proclivity to make shocking statements—with Trump, it's never dull! Uranus in Clinton's chart is square her sensitive Pisces

Moon and quincunx her natal Mercury, already somewhat muted by being placed in her 12th House—and it's retrograde. Clinton won points during the debates for her Scorpio self-control—definitively an aspect of strength.

A womanly sensitivity could win the people over to Hillary strengthened by her deep concern and compassion (natal Moon in Pisces trine Mercury in Scorpio), but more often, she comes across as smug. She has been accused of being involved in behind-the-scene schemes. Whether true or not, Clinton needs to open up and be more available to the people if they are to warm up to her.

Speaking of communication styles, Donald Trump was born with Mars trine his Moon in (big-mouth) Sagittarius! The kicker is that the Moon governs his Mercury in Cancer—emotional! Well, at least he's passionate. In Hillary's chart, Mars is exactly conjoined Pluto and both are conjoined Saturn—she's intense, power-driven, and controlled, as well as controlling! The danger for her is seething anger. If she can exorcize pride and anger, she can exhibit uncommon strength, endurance and a sense of purpose. To not do so is to be sitting on a volcano! Others feel this energy and are intimidated, afraid to speak out. On the positive side, the Pluto conjunction and Scorpio Sun allow her to see deeply, ferret out secrets and get to the core.

If Clinton wins, she will be the first US President ever with a Pisces Moon. Piscean empathy softens the hardness of the Scorpio/Leo square, the Moon's trine to her natal Venus is an asset (a good listener). Bringing good taste and feminine strength (rather than cold, liberal feminism) to the Oval Office would help her win the

people's hearts. But Saturn squares Venus and Pluto in her natal chart—ouch!

It is unfathomable to consider the humiliation and pain she endured during the Lewinsky affair, but to her credit, she kept her family intact and stood by her husband. If she were a client, I'd try to see if she had shut out the pain by keeping busy and getting into work, rather than resolving it. Why is this a concern? Because she comes off as guarded and somewhat fearful. In any case, we shall see.

What can we expect from Hillary Clinton? She's got plenty of experience, but what ideals does she embrace? What's her mission? Where is her passion? We're not sure. With her progressed Sun and Mercury in Capricorn, square her natal Neptune in Libra, I wonder if she herself has a clear idea of how to direct our nation's course. And studying her chart, I am concerned about her health picture, especially from recent times through late fall of 2017.

Theodore Roosevelt, our last Scorpio President, said, "We must show, not merely in great crises, but in the everyday affairs of life, the qualities of practical intelligence, of courage, of hardihood, and endurance, and above all the power of devotion to a lofty ideal, which made great the men who founded this Republic in the days of Washington, which made great the men who preserved this Republic in the days of Abraham Lincoln."

I pray it won't take the actions of a common enemy to unify us and to have us embrace practical and high ideals. Aquarius is the age of love, so let us practice the Golden Rule repeated so many

times over the centuries: "Do unto others as you would have other's do unto you."

America has had some exceptional leaders—with still more to come. I believe the way out of the chaos that threatens our national unity depends upon each of us individually and upon our relationships to one another in whatever roles we can play to forge a stronger union. Freedom-loving people throughout the world will join us in this quest. We can do no less than to comfort, nurture (Cancer Sun), inspire and lead (Aquarius Moon, Sagittarius Rising) by our example and dedication to the guiding principles of the American Declaration of Independence—*Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness*. This is our national destiny. ■



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