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ROYAL STARS

YOUR DAILY HOROSCOPE FROM GEORGIA NICOLS

THE DAY AHEAD: ★★★★★ = Dynamic; ★★★★★ = Positive; ★★★ = Average; ★★ = So-so; ★ = Difficult

MOON ALERT: CAUTION! AVOID SHOPPING (EXCEPT FOR FOOD AND GAS) AND IMPORTANT DECISIONS AFTER 2 A.M. EDT TODAY UNTIL 10:15 P.M. EDT (7:15 P.M. PDT). AFTER THAT, THE MOON MOVES FROM CAPRICORN INTO AQUARIUS.

ARIES (MARCH 21-APRIL 19) ★★★★★ Tread carefully, because it's a Moon Alert for most of this day. Channel your energies into creative activities. Today favors the arts, fun socializing and playful times with kids. Tonight: You're high-viz.

TAURUS (APRIL 20-MAY 20) ★★★★★ Steer clear of controversial topics, because this is a poor day for important decisions since most of this day is a Moon Alert. Focus on home and family. Relax at home among familiar surroundings if you can do so. Tonight: Explore!

GEMINI (MAY 21-JUNE 20) ★★★★★ Get some physical energy today so you can blow off any pent-up steam that might be building up within you. Pay attention to everything you say and do today to avoid accidents. Relax and entertain at home. Tonight: Check your finances.

CANCER (JUNE 21-JULY 22) ★★★ You have a strong need to share your ideas today. This could relate to something financial. Right now you are focused on earnings, cash flow and personal wealth. (Because you can get richer this year!) Tonight: Relax with others.

LEO (JULY 23-AUG. 22) ★★★★★ Enjoy physical, competitive sports and activities with friends and groups today. Be careful, because you might want to shop for beautiful things as well -- clothing, art objects and jewelry -- which is a poor idea. Don't do this during the Moon Alert. Tonight: Work.

VIRGO (AUG. 23-SEPT. 22) ★★★★★ This might be an excellent time for you to shop for wardrobe goodies, but not today. Most of this day is a Moon Alert. Nevertheless, your ambition is strong. You're going to go after what you want! A discussion with someone younger could be beneficial. Tonight: Socialize with others.

LIBRA (SEPT. 23-OCT. 22) ★★★★★ This is a popular time for you, and today is a wonderful day to schmooze with others. Because there is a Moon Alert for most of this day, it's a poor day for important decisions or shopping. However, it's a great day to relax and enjoy the company of friends. Tonight: Relax.

SCORPIO (OCT. 23-NOV. 21) ★★★★★ It's important to know you make an excellent impression on others at this time, which is

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