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ROYAL STARS

YOUR DAILY HOROSCOPE FROM GEORGIA NICOLS

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The day ahead: ★★★★★ = Dynamic; ★★★★★ = Positive; ★★★ = Average; ★★ = So-so; ★ = Difficult

Moon Alert: Avoid shopping (except for food and gas) and making important decisions after 5:30 p.m. Eastern Time (2:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. Pacific Time.) After that, the Moon moves from **CANCER** into **LEO**.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★ Right now, the Sun and Mercury retrograde are in the part of your chart that is associated with Halloween. We're talking passion, secrets, skeletons and mortality. Nevertheless, the placement of today's Moon will encourage you to stay home and relax. (It's your call.) Tonight: Socialize.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★★★ There's a strong chance you'll encounter ex-partners from your past this weekend, whether they're wearing a mask or not. Look sharp, because they say that living well is the best revenge. Increased activity and chaos on the homefront will keep you on your toes. Tonight: Relax.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★ Money issues are on your mind today. Because some of you are expanding your family this year and next, finances might relate to family events. It also might be the cost of some fun socializing. Be patient with silly, goofy mix-ups at work because of Mercury retrograde. Tonight: Conversations.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★★ You'll enjoy socializing today! Quite likely, you'll get your way. However, your emotions might be heightened more than usual because the Moon is in your sign. Don't make waves. Go along to get along. (You're a bit luckier than all the other signs today.) Tonight: Check your money.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★ Although you love flamboyant, dramatic moments, today you might play things low-key. You're involved with family more, especially because relatives from the past are back in your life. Fortunately, you have the energy that you need! Tonight: You're strong.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★★ This is a popular day for you! You're keen to get out and see new places and meet new faces. Avoid disputes about money and possessions. Let this go and instead focus on what is working. Short trips and discussions will delight. Tonight: Enjoy privacy.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★ Whether you're in costume or not, people will notice you more than usual today. Definitely. In fact, they might take note of what you're wearing or your style. Meanwhile, you are dealing with delayed finances. Checks in the mail will be late. Tonight: Be friendly.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

For Saturday, Oct. 31, 2026:

You're a self-motivated leader. You're perceptive, rational and determined. You rise to a challenge. This is a year of service, perhaps service to family. Take care of yourself so you can be a resource to those who turn to you for guidance, comfort and courage.

BORN TODAY

Director, screenwriter, producer Peter Jackson (1961), actress Piper Perabo (1976), TV anchor, journalist Dan Rather (1931)

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★★ For many of you, Halloween is one of your favorite times. You love the secrecy, the passion, the skeletons and the spooky cobwebs. (No spiders, please.) You certainly have the energy to make a splash today if you want to do so with Mars high in your chart and the Sun in your sign! Tonight: You're noticed.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★★ You have mixed messages today. In one way, you're happy to hide behind the scenes and keep a low profile. However, part of you is up for adventure and doing something different! This gives you the lovely choice of not losing. Either way, you're pleased. Tonight: Explore!

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★ With the Moon opposite your sign today, it's in your best interest to cooperate with others, perhaps even go more than halfway when dealing with someone. Steer clear of disputes with parents, bosses and authority figures. Be smart. Tonight: Check your finances.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★ Right now, the Sun is at the top of your chart casting you in a flattering spotlight, which means you look good to others — whether you're in costume or not. You'll appreciate any chance to travel or explore your world. Be patient with partners and spouses who might be annoying. Tonight: Cooperate.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★★ Halloween might intrigue you because you're the master of illusion. With just a few props, you can suggest an archetype. (One of your entertaining skills.) Socializing will please you today. You might hear from someone far away. "Surprise!" Tonight: Work to get better organized.

WITCHES WEEKLY



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Difficulty: ★★★★★

10/31

SHEFFER CROSSWORD

ACROSS

- Broadway offering
- Shower bar?
- Binge
- Lingerie item, for short
- Western tribe
- Ms. Thurman
- Landed
- Eggy drinks
- Hide-hair insert
- Campus mil. group
- "Gosh!"
- Part of speech
- Med. plan
- Coach Par-seghian
- Snacked (on)
- "Enough!"
- British guitarist Julian
- Chose
- Fads
- Merges
- Atty.'s title

DOWN

- "In — Shoes" (Cameron Diaz film)
- Skater's leap
- Olympics chant
- A Great Lake
- A/C stat
- Suitor
- Alpha follower
- Mess up
- Southern pronoun
- You love (Lat.)
- Eastern "way"
- Stretches (out)
- Theater award

DOWN

- Bar fight souvenir
- Head light?
- Skip
- Astringent lotion
- Ra, to some
- Okla-homa tribe
- Arm of the Mediterranean
- Letter addenda, for short
- Flag Day month
- Latin love
- Attire
- Nocturnal flier

DOWN

- Viral web sensation
- Television's Arledge
- Co. with a peacock logo
- Hockey's Bobby
- Poseidon's realm
- Mel of Coopers-town
- R&B singer Des'
- Mag. staff
- Mouse sound
- Moving day rentals
- Help in a heist
- More, in an ad
- Franc replacement
- Auction
- San —, Italy
- Call — evening
- Relaxed
- "See ya!"

Solution time: 26 mins.

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Yesterday's answer 10-31

DENNIS THE MENACE



"THEY REMEMBER US FROM LAST YEAR. THAT'S WHY THEY WON'T OPEN THE DOOR."

THE FAMILY CIRCUS



"We could cover a lot more places if you'd drive us over to Condo Park."

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