

## Planetary Forecast for April 14-20th, 2008

*In review...*the “saboteur” conditions were illustrated in high drama as the Olympic torch tried to make its way toward China for the August opening ceremonies. Protests have been staged in Europe and the U.S. forcing numerous changes in plans and travel routes. This is no derogatory comment on the issues behind the protests; it’s merely an observation that as politics were behind China getting the Olympics (as it is wherever they are staged), everyone with a political agenda (including Tibet) can see the great opportunity in using this venue for their individual gain. As for our presidential candidates chiming in to appeal to President Bush to boycott the opening ceremonies, they should remember that our young people have trained for years, made personal sacrifices, and have spent enormous sums of their family’s income for this chance to compete against the other best athletes in the world. Why should the president punish them with his absence when they are not responsible for what is happening in China or Tibet? Governments—including our own—conveniently look away from human injustice because it is economically beneficial. This week the planetary aspects made it possible for politicians to act like lemmings. How unique.

*This week...*Monday the 14<sup>th</sup> and Leo Moon energizes all action for the last day. While ideas may be flowing, expect a progress challenge as the divas and crazy makers eat the clock by pushing their own issues. We start with the 3:08 p.m. EDT opposition between Moon and Chiron (in Aquarius). More high drama and posturing as we edge toward the Pennsylvania Presidential Primary and the Olympic torch continues on its way? You bet. But look how late in the day the “excitement” has started. That tells you that the Lion is feeling spring lethargy more than excitement. Before 4:00, Moon then forms a quincunx with Uranus (in Pisces). At 5:13, Moon also forms a quincunx with Jupiter (in Capricorn). To answer the obvious question, when you throw twenty fast ideas at people, it’s hard to get them to fund/support even one. At 6:09, Mercury (in Aries) sextiles with Neptune (in Aquarius). No, there’s no great progress to come from this except for dryer weather, which will be welcome for those deep in water and mud. As for dialogue, avoid all used car salesmen, and people making promises who already have a history of failing to deliver. At 9:35, Moon opposes Neptune (in Aquarius). Looks like Moon got one thing right—at last. It’s way too late to be wearing rose-colored glasses anyway. At 10:13, we end with the Moon trine with Pluto (in Aries). That’s a pink slip, a court summons, or bye-bye of some sort, possibly not due to violence but sheer apathy.

*Tuesday* the 15<sup>th</sup> and while some may be feeling a bit cranky from all of the noise and limited progress going on, we do get a moon shift and more attention to detail, which will be welcome. Starting at 12:56 a.m. EDT, void-course Leo Moon trines with Aries Sun. This may help hot heads overseas achieve something, or keep an eye on arsonists and fires where drought persists. Moon enters Virgo at 9:06. It’s 11:10 when Virgo Moon trines with Pluto (in Capricorn) putting a legal and academic magnifying glass on things to weed out the nonessential and the problematic. Then as the noon hour creeps to a close, Moon conjuncts with Saturn (also in Virgo) to reestablish contracts, boundaries and rules. Now we may get a few things done.

*Wednesday* the 16<sup>th</sup> begins with the 3:24 a.m. EDT, Aries Sun conjunction with Mercury (in Aries) that’s fast or heated communications regarding yesterday’s reining in of something or someone. By 9:03, Virgo Moon then forms a quincunx with Venus (also in Aries) indicating that some feelings will be hurt or censured—primarily the divas who postured over the last several days. That’s the tune until 7:32 p.m. EDT when Moon sextiles with Mars (in Cancer); an “odd couples” match, but watch what follows. We close with the

**Moon quincunx with Chiron (in Aquarius) at 11:38. Someone will play victim and try to survive (keep a relationship) using that angle? Most likely we are talking politics, but those in rocky relationships take heed as well.**

***Thursday* the 17<sup>th</sup> is as busy as it was last week. Starting with the 12:25 a.m. EDT opposition between Virgo Moon and Uranus (in Pisces). This is pragmatism time. No fast moves, no philosophical meandering, and to heck with charity if the cost is prohibitive. Within 90 minutes, Moon then trines with Jupiter (in Capricorn), where the bookkeeper discusses bottom lines with the CEO. Thrift gets rewarded. At 6:37, the closed door session is over and Moon forms a quincunx with Neptune (in Aquarius) to tell us that all is well and there's no cause for alarm. If this is one of those airlines who cancelled hundreds of flights due to failing to fund required inspections listen carefully before getting on a planned flight. If this is an expectation of a candidate conceding an election...look instead for another rabbit to come out of someone's hat. At 2:31 p.m. EDT, Moon forms a quincunx with Aries Sun. Some are trying to make others do the right thing fiscally. The challenge is that there are several planetary shifts also happening and the prospects of success are like finding step stones across a flooding creek. At 5:07, Mercury shifts into Taurus. At 6:10, Moon enters Libra. This is a welcome set-up for kicking back a little to enjoy spring and each other. In thirteen minutes the quincunx between Moon and Mercury will suggest exactly that. If no one invites you to an evening out/off, treat yourself. We close with the 8:18, Libra Moon square with Pluto (in Capricorn). At first glance this looks problematic, since Libra is the sign to forgive and forget. Obviously, some albatrosses need more than a hint to go away; they need a catapult into the next universe. But if this pertains to bottom lines, help or at least clarity may be found in Friday's aspects.**

***Friday*, the 18<sup>th</sup> is a quiet day beginning with the 5:22 a.m. EDT, Mercury (in Taurus) trine with Pluto (in Capricorn). That's it until the 2:10 p.m. EDT Mercury trine with Saturn (in Virgo). As we approach Passover and Sun prepares to also enter Taurus, "roots" and stability gain yearly prominence encouraging us to reconsider personal-familial needs first before sacrificing to the detriment of health and hearth.**

***Saturday*, the 19<sup>th</sup> starts with the 1:25 a.m. EDT, Libra Moon opposition to Venus (in Aries). We are not happy with the rowdy mother figure or the mischief-maker in our circle, who turns all she touches into chaos. It's almost seven hours before Moon actually squares with Mars (in Cancer) as though indicating a long night of tantrums or worse. But even advanced Libras have their bursting point. At 10:09, Moon trines with Chiron (in Aquarius), which is a sad reminder of old and repeated wounds. It's not a good idea to open the door on this Pandora's box. Within the hour, Moon tries to quincunx Uranus (in Pisces), but Uranus is badly placed here because you cannot rely on Pisces for anything except for psychic input and wisdom. Their flaw is that they're pushovers in everything else and no solid ally; they're too busy keeping everyone happy. At 12:41, Moon squares with Jupiter (in Capricorn) and that gets the attention of the troublemakers--sever goodwill and shut down financing. Scorpio Moon is arriving to make that warning stick.**

***Sunday* the 20<sup>th</sup> and at 5:00 a.m. EDT, Moon enters Scorpio. At 8:25, Scorpio Moon opposes Taurus Sun. Full Moon time and Passover. Moon gets impatient here with Taurus tolerating (or ignoring) bad habits and spoiled hangers on. Moon sees such neglect and indulgence costs everyone, and that's not justice. At 7:07, Moon sextiles with Pluto (in Capricorn), which is akin to a board meeting and fiscal accounting. At 8:37, Moon sextiles with Saturn (in Virgo) again creating the perfect environment for correcting situations that have been taxing in more ways than one. At 2:56 p.m. EDT, Taurus Sun trines with Pluto (Capricorn). Bull may be slow to want to pull the plug on someone/something, but he's no fool. At 5:48, Moon opposes Mercury (in Taurus). It may be that Scorpio Moon doesn't care**

**for the language Sun uses to soften a blow or criticism. Strive to take encouragement from the fact that something has been stopped—at least for now.**

**Where possible, take a time-out for leisure time and nature. Rain may be a headache where Low Pressure prevails.**

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