

Planetary Forecast for August 14-20, 2006

*In review...*there's way too much going on in the world to list everything that reflected what the forecast indicated, but the biggest news of the week was Full Aquarius Moon and Mars positioning where I warned someone's bright ideas might blow up in their faces. In fact, the idea by some was to blow up numerous jetliners between Britain and the U.S. Thankfully, authorities were able to act in time to arrest two dozen of those involved—and just hours before the first test run. Also Neptune's positioning warned all week of rain or tears--it brought both, with extra pain for China where 1.5 million were evacuated due to typhoon Saomi. Even so, over 100 have lost their lives and another hundred-plus are missing.

*This week...*Monday, August 14th, Moon enters Taurus at 6:00 a.m. EDT. Sunday may have left some shaken, in pain, or even grieving; we may not be prepared for today's two hard squares. Having exited Aries Moon's eager/aggressive energy, Taurus energy has us digging in our heels and resisting change. Usually, this is a time for enjoying nature, our homes, and our families, but today that can mean relentless attack against the very things we love. Watch for the square between Moon and Venus (in Leo) at 9:33 a.m. and prepare for people and situations to cause considerable stress. Aside from ruling our hearts, Venus rules our checkbooks, too; be prepared for someone or something to cost you there. We're not talking about breakage or travel-communication glitches as with a Mercury retrograde, this is about a resistance to a promised raise, a debt owed, etc. Since that sets the mood for the day, don't be surprised when at 3:08 p.m. EDT Moon then squares with Mercury (also in Leo) triggering angry communication and other repercussions to earlier events. That's Fire-Fire energy (Leo) blasting Earth (Taurus). A perfect example of this is a news report out of northern Spain where numerous woods/forests have been set on fire by radical protesters, youths who think destruction is a way to get what they want and bring attention to their cause. The positive way to use this energy is to get your finances in order and alter budgets where needed to fit current conditions.

Tuesday, August 15th continues Monday's tone with a Taurus Moon-Jupiter (in Scorpio) opposition at 1:13 a.m. EDT, meaning few free lunches today, and zip that wallet. At 5:13 Moon sextiles with Uranus (in Pisces) suggesting someone wants to try another angle to get what they want. How many times do they have to hear, "No?" Moon trines with Mars (in Virgo) at 7:28, followed by a Saturn (in Leo) square at 9:14—see the pattern here? Watch your back and take whatever precautions needed to protect possessions and rights. If we've made it through lunch, at 1:27 p.m. EDT, Neptune (in Aquarius) then squares with Taurus Moon, meaning serious Water in Air clashing with Earth energy. Aside from some summer storms, we can assume sound logic isn't being used by certain parties, which easily causes tears for the rest of us. Considering the morning's momentum, I can't convey my concern too emphatically. If anyone has financial or legal concerns with another party, be very careful. That's the day until 9:51 p.m. when Moon squares with Leo Sun. As if we needed an explanation of that, Pluto forms a Moon quincunx at 11:47. Destiny strikes with an iron fist at those who didn't heed clear warnings.

Wednesday the 16th may deliver the break in upsetting momentum that we need. Only two aspects, first at 10:07 a.m. EDT when Moon enters Gemini. Air sign Gemini likes to catch up on the latest news/gossip with friends and wants two of everything. Although the energy can leave us feeling somewhat restless—or frazzled after Monday and Tuesday—this is a good time to review reports, deal with partnerships, and for selling something that's no longer desirable or useful. The sextile with Venus (in Leo) at 7:08 p.m. confirms that. If possible enjoy dinner out with a significant other.

Thursday, the 17th will return us to a new burst of activity. First at 1:02 a.m. EDT Leo Sun trines with Pluto (in Sagittarius) and that's going to mean things are very good or utterly devastating, depending on where we are on our universal path. The fact that we're dealing with Fire-Fire energy and Pluto's no-nonsense presence could mean a passionate night romance-wise for some—or the harshest fighting overseas that we've to date. At 3:30 Gemini Moon then sextiles with its favorite planet Mercury (also in Leo), so conversations are fluid and articulate; it's either "How do I love thee..." or "Die, you dirty dog." By 6:51 Moon and Jupiter (in Scorpio) quincunx, and that means someone may have swallowed quickly and popped an important question—or succeeded in that military offensive. At 10:28 a.m. Moon squares with Uranus (in Pisces) and the vote is against some impulsive behavior. The 3:23 p.m. EDT sextile between Moon and Saturn (in Leo) repeats the order to honor rules and boundaries. Feisty Mars may not be listening because within 30 minutes he squares with Gemini Moon. This could be a strategic blow. The trine at 7:10 between Moon and Neptune (in Aquarius) is Air-Air and Water energy. Ideas and feelings/spirit. While some may be waxing eloquent verses of poetry as they listen to an evening shower pattering on the roof, others will be grabbing a microphone and citing the day's events were justice delivered.

Friday the 18th begins with a Mercury (in Leo) square with Jupiter (in Scorpio) at 5:30 a.m. Fire and Water clash and reckless or selfish comments made now will bring trouble if not pain. By 6:06 Gemini Moon opposes Pluto (in Sagittarius) further indicating that some idea or relationship is ending. Again, take care that violence isn't part of that. Moon sextiles with Leo Sun at 8:30. Air and Fire—ideas and action—are in full cooperation. The question is to what end? If you're dealing with an unstable person/group, this is an unsettling formation. At 5:03 p.m. EDT, Moon enters Cancer. Feelings will be running high for the next few days and the under-evolved will be cranking up their vitriol. For the rest, use this period to nurture, embrace family, and listen with a sympathetic ear.

Saturday the 19th will have Mercury (in Leo) forming a quincunx with Uranus (in Pisces) at 4:49 a.m. EDT. Fire and Water aren't speaking the same language and that could trigger a premonition or dream that helps us in ways we didn't expect. Otherwise, a deal/treaty needs a sudden tweaking. The rest of the day looks positive with Cancer Moon in a trine with Jupiter (in Scorpio) at 3:21 p.m. EDT. Water-Water energy should bring good instincts and luck, but also strong emotions—and hopefully rain where it's much needed. We close the day with a 6:26 trine between Cancer Moon and Uranus (in Pisces); more Water-Water energy. If that's not precipitation, then it's a passionate declaration of some kind. Let's pray that's a positive thing.

Sunday the 20th will start early with a 3:06 a.m. EDT trine between Cancer Moon and Mars (in Virgo) and let's hope that this Water-Air energy helps get an idea across in a beneficial way. There's a possibility it won't due to the Moon-Neptune (in Aquarius) quincunx at 3:36. Mars adds his own quincunx with Neptune at 12:27 p.m. It looks like there's some cloudy thinking going on and purposely twisting what we're saying. By 3:08 Moon then forms a quincunx with Pluto (in Sagittarius) with typical cranky behavior. Be aware that if we force an issue/dialogue, we're in danger of burning a bridge; make sure that's the intention, otherwise seek out wiser advice. The 8:42 p.m. conjunction between Mercury (in Leo) and Saturn (also in Leo) confirms that.

Good luck!
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