

Planetary Forecast for January 21-27, 2008

*In review...*remember Monday's Aries Moon quincunx with Saturn? By the weekend we were hearing about the economy boost the president and congress was dreaming up to keep the U.S. out of a deep and long-term recession. So we will sell almost two billion of our national soul (add to our debt) for a temporary fix (since the majority of people will buy more for short-term panacea fix and not pay off debt). The stock market plunged again in response begging the question where is the plumber for this intestinal blockage that is trudging us toward generational bankruptcy? The second note I want to touch upon requires us to look back--remember last week's terrible momentum for domestic relationships and anger-evil? At least two stories from that period are only now making the news: in Kentucky a family of five reported missing in Ohio was found dead in a creek, their vehicle apparently failing to make a sharp turn, which begs the question why was someone driving so fast with loved ones in a vehicle in unfamiliar territory? The other was an aunt in Massachusetts with known mental problems who took her young niece and nephew and drove down the wrong way on an interstate. She pulled over and undressed herself and the children, then with them in her arms stepped into traffic. The lesson delivers--actions both planetary aspects and human decisions can have long-term repercussions.

*This week...*a significant shift is about to occur when Pluto leaves Sagittarius (Fire) and enters Capricorn (Earth). Ready or not, there are significant themes entering the atmosphere. From now until 2024 we will be in an increasingly different world economy environment. It won't happen with trip-switch suddenness, but the wise will be conservative and focus on saving--and not just for that rainy day. Remember Capricorn is big on bottom-line effects, so this will have strong messages to those who work-part time, who are in positions of jeopardy and approaching retirement age, and who are in relationships where they've been enduring "trickle-down love." As an Earth energy, Capricorn needs deep-roots stability to flourish, so anyone and everything that upsets that balance will be cut loose and let go. Expect to also see signs of selfishness surface and that can mean charities will suffer, but also neighborly love may become miserly, which is the worst-case scenario since there are those who use that atmosphere for their own purpose (street gangs, terrorism, etc.) The lesson is lend a helping hand where you can and reach out if you see trouble in your sphere, whether neighbor or co-worker. The No Man Is An Island period is coming to pass. This isn't meant to frighten, but to lend reason to what at times will be upsetting and diminishing.

Monday, January 21st the 3:29 a.m. EST, Cancer Moon forms a quincunx with Chiron (in Aquarius) suggesting it will be an emotional morning speaking to fiscal trouble and generational if not ancestral wounds. At 4:14, Jupiter (in Capricorn) trines with (Saturn) in Virgo) and that's a tight wallet any way you look at it. At 5:56, Moon trines with Uranus (in Pisces) bringing double Water energy and a significant precipitation event where Low Pressure Systems prevail. At 11:49, Moon forms a quincunx with Mercury (in Aquarius) making communication a must-do, but also emotional. Expect psychic dreams and trust your intuition. At 2:01 p.m. EST, Moon forms a quincunx with Neptune (in Aquarius)--another sign that some are starting to see things as they are and not deluding themselves that a lottery win is in-hand.

Tuesday the 22nd and another active day starting with the 12:58 a.m. EST quincunx between Cancer Moon and Venus (in Sagittarius) a real power play between Water and Fire, emotions versus ideas--some squirrely or self serving. Just over four hours later at 5:08, Moon does it again with Pluto (in Sagittarius); once again, those in difficult domestic relationships need to take care. Otherwise, expect the political arena and the war arena to be highly active. In twelve minutes Moon shifts into Leo. This time there's only a three

hour pause for momentum to stir again with the 8:35 Leo Moon opposition with Aquarius Sun. That's a strong sign that throwing money at wild ideas and the amount of reckless behavior getting out of hand in some arenas will be squashed--at least temporarily. Just watch who is doing the pulpit pounding. Then, only then is the break and at 7:00 p.m. Leo Moon forms a quincunx with Jupiter (in Capricorn) and that is akin to Bill Clinton wooing a financier to fund an idea. At 8:15 Mercury conjuncts with Neptune (in Aquarius) another used-car salesman performance. Aren't election years fun?

Wednesday the 23rd and at 6:55 a.m. EST, Leo Moon opposes Chiron (in Aquarius) is like an abusive parent preaching to the choir that his family is so harmonious, no one has anything to say at dinner. At 9:22, Moon forms a quincunx with Uranus (in Pisces) and that's either a strong thunderstorm or unexpected tornado as weather fronts blast through, but some screwball or possibly mean comments/strikes coming from a political camp. At 5:48 p.m. EST, Leo Moon opposes Neptune (in Aquarius), which is ego over compassion or nurturing. At 7:13, Moon opposes Mercury (in Aquarius) another hint that our personal issues could trip us up if we're not careful. At 11:44, Moon sextiles with Mars (in Gemini). Ouch again. What is it about some people that they don't hear or see and, therefore, don't listen? Now there are some who will use this atmosphere to implement shrewd maneuvers toward a goal, but check out Thursday's first aspect. Might be a good time to touch bases with those who are in difficult domestic relationships or considering costly financial moves.

Thursday the 24th begins with the Venus (in Sagittarius) conjunction with Pluto (also in Sagittarius) at 1:58 a.m. EST. That's the atmosphere drying up and so with love and fiscal generosity. At 3:06, Venus shifts into Capricorn the heart taking on the CEO chair to dissolve and to take care of responsibilities. At 9:43, Leo Moon trines with Pluto perhaps accepting that what's done is done. Don't bet the bank on it, though, and use this moment for growth. Five minutes later Moon enters Virgo an opportunity for tasking, cinching belts, and planning. So not everyone will be in good humor. Progress always has a price. At 10:29, Virgo Moon trines with Venus (in Capricorn), and that's an agreement on the year's budget. Again, think frugal or sensible. At 5:37 p.m. EST, Moon forms a quincunx with Aquarius Sun shutting down the free bird types. Travel and live it up if you will, but don't expect others to foot the bill. At 11:13, Moon conjuncts with Saturn (in Virgo) and we should be getting a break from breathing into a paper bag for the moment.

Friday the 25th and at 1:10 a.m. EST, Virgo Moon trines with Jupiter (in Capricorn). At 1:16 p.m. EST there's a Moon quincunx with Chiron (in Aquarius). At 3:44 Virgo Moon opposes Uranus (in Pisces). At 9:37 Pluto takes the slow shift into Capricorn. This is another "echo" of the theme to come. We've got to slow down spending, reckless lifestyles, our rabid focus on celebrity, etc. The choice is to either make this a reasonable recession or a full-fledged Depression. The question is have we learned anything with all this communication material at our fingertips?

Saturday the 26th and here again comes the squares to stop the madness or pay the piper. Beginning at 12:42 a.m. EST first we have Virgo Moon in quincunx with Neptune (in Aquarius). By 4:53, Moon then sends a confirmation quincunx to Mercury (sojourning with Neptune in Aquarius). At 6:32, Moon squares with Mars (in Gemini). At 6:35 p.m. EST Moon shifts into Libra. At 5:38 Moon squares with Pluto (in Capricorn). Those who will struggle most are the dreamers and those with their heads in the sand. Pink slips could be appearing and commissions and dividends could be cut. Those in denial will pull the covers over their heads or opt for a three Margarita lunch.

Sunday the 27th and at 12:25 a.m. EST, Libra Moon squares with Venus (in Capricorn), which is risky for anyone attempting to force an ultimatum career-wise or relationship-wise. At 6:56, Moon trines with Aquarius Sun seeking the out-of-the-box reasoning.

Direct and honest is better. At 10:58, Moon squares with Jupiter (Capricorn) meaning the ones who are wanting more "love" contractually or otherwise will be pushing the envelope; if you haven't guessed so far that this isn't the time for that, be prepared for punches to the solar plexus. At 2:20 p.m. EST, Aquarius Sun forms a quincunx with Saturn (Virgo) and that's more of the same. The media talking-head shows should be rife with opinion and advice--mind you most of these people have never managed anything aside from positioning their own chair cushions and I'd venture to suggest a good number have Napoleonic ego problems. At 11:07, Moon trines with Chiron (in Aquarius). With Mercury going retrograde on Monday do yourself a favor and don't speak to old wounds/hurts or vent universally. Try to get through the next month accepting that stuff goes wrong and people are often unreliable, etc., etc. Stop to pick up a penny, hold the door for a struggling mom, talk to a lonely senior citizen. There's gold in gestures, even if it's only warmth to help get through a cold day.

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