

Planetary Forecast July 4-10, 2011

*In review...*the tension-temper momentum did crank up as expected due to the excessive Cancer atmosphere raising sensitivity issues. We saw by Tuesday the Pakistani-trained Haggani (called a Taliban "subgroup") used suicide bombers in their assault of the Kabul International Hotel. At last report twelve had been killed. By Wednesday violent protests occurred in Greece against the austerity measures installed to reduce debt. I'll just point out again, this probably isn't just the citizenry per se, it's at least fueled and/or supported by radicals, who wouldn't mind all of Europe turning into chaos. Now on to water momentum...this wetter environment did bring news of the first Gulf tropical system. Arlene slid into Mexico, where hopefully moisture was needed. Even here in drought-damaged East Texas, there have been daily surprise storms. Unfortunately, they include strong micro-blasts of wind that has taken down trees and damaged buildings, while lightning strikes have been costly triggering fires in dwellings and transformers. Moodiness was also key when President Sarkozy of France was assaulted in the streets as he greeted voters, and journalist Mark Halperin of *Time* and an *MSNBC* analyst was suspended indefinitely for an off-color remark he made--after asking for confirmation that the seven-second-delay was working on *Morning Joe*.

*This week...*Venus joins Sun in Cancer. When best used, Venus in the Fourth House brings out people's caring and compassionate sides, and supports nurturing of family issues. However, on the downside, this can create what some see as a physiological lameness in others who feel they already give above and beyond of themselves and when under too much pressure cause work and relationship upheaval that once again makes them the center of attention. Otherwise, Uranus will go retrograde by the weekend for five months. What this does is returns us to choices over everything from employment to relationships to lifestyles, especially where our independence strikes a chord. We'll also be looking at science--particularly medicines and technology that have come under scrutiny for whatever reason, either as a health hazard, or its efficiency, etc. If you've been having issues with your lower legs or nervous system, pay attention now. Watch you are not just dealing with a symptom instead of addressing the actual problem.

Monday, July 4th and Independence Day starts with the shift of Venus into Cancer at 12:17 a.m. EDT. That's the morning. At 1:26 p.m. EDT, Venus then trines with Neptune (in fellow water sign Pisces). Now remember, Neptune is in retrograde, so this is likely a perspective on ideas, subjects, and people we've dealt with before, but to what end? Been disappointed, deceived, overly generous in your confidence and support? If so, this is your second or last chance to take off the blinders and see things as they really are. Since Venus also represents our wallets, this could well represent the American public, who have been responding more negatively/cynically to the economy. However, for today, expect wallets to be opened and entertaining to be on the upswing. Those planning picnics and other outdoor events, should keep an eye on the weather where Low Pressure advances. At 8:47 , Mercury (in Leo) trines with Uranus (in Aries). A "flash" surprise (we're dealing with double fire energy) or otherwise unexpected message could be delivered. Do use extra caution when traveling and particularly in public places. The threat to cause emotional pain on this of

all days is definitely in the atmosphere. Moon shifts into Virgo by 9:15 bringing nuts-and-bolts back into focus--which could help politicians, who have our fiscal future in their hands. At 10:23, Virgo Moon opposes Neptune (in Pisces), a good sign that some are taking their jobs seriously. At 11:14, Moon sextiles with Venus, another sign that today is about finances and family welfare.

Tuesday, the 5th begins with the 4:59 a.m. EDT, Virgo Moon forms a quincunx with Uranus (in Aries). At 5:53, Mercury (in Leo) does the same with Chiron (in Pisces). Six minutes later, Moon opposes Chiron. Does that qualify as a quorum or a stand-off? Wait until 6:49 before placing your bets when Moon trines with Jupiter (in Taurus), then at 7:27 trines with Pluto (in Capricorn) to say, "Get your house in order and stop what isn't working." It will be 2:09 p.m. EDT, before there's a rebuttal and Mercury (in Leo) squares with Jupiter. That's akin to, "...and furthermore, a pox on your house." Before the hour is up, Moon then squares with Mars (in Gemini) trying to offset the maneuver. What's going on? A vote on raising the debt ceiling? At 7:05, Mercury forms another quincunx, this time with Pluto. Messages of transformation and ending what is broken abound. For others it's a death toll. At 8:19, Moon sextiles with Cancer Sun. At least some are in consensus. Hopefully, it's a safe night for family and other loved ones.

Wednesday, the 6th has one aspect and one shift. At 8:16 a.m. EDT, Mars (in Gemini) trines with Saturn (in Libra). The edge and/or tension from yesterday is eased for the moment and law and borders are honored. At 11:54 p.m. EDT, yes, note it's fourteen-plus hours later, Moon shifts into Libra. Thursday will get very busy, so take a moment to check in with loved ones and have a calm, nurturing visit and dinner with people you care about. Make it quality over quantity.

Thursday, the 7th gets ultra busy again. At 12:57, Libra Moon forms a quincunx with Neptune (in Pisces). What is Moon up to? Usually a peace-lover and diplomat, a true appreciator of beauty and quality, when succumbing to baser, under-evolved energy, this moon can develop a perspective on a desired reality, not what actually is. This may be what's at play here as, after a six-hour break, Moon then squares with Venus (in Cancer). Something is not going well relationship and money-wise. If this is politics, things in the debt-budget arena will be ugly and getting uglier as facts and reality are ignored. If this has to do with your personal business/relationships, take the high ground where possible, or cite a previous engagement or emergency to avoid today's confrontation with people who refuse to "get it." At 7:35, Moon opposes Uranus (in Aries), rejecting any or all new/creative ideas or offers. The 8:28, Moon quincunx with Chiron (in Pisces) isn't help in the blame game, either. By 9:58, what results is another quincunx with Jupiter (in Aries), while at the same moment, Moon desperately squares with Pluto (in Capricorn) trying not to lose everything. This is what happens when you posture or play tricks too much beforehand until the eleventh hour. Now watch in ten minutes when Jupiter trines with Pluto--that is luck for/with transformation, or for something to go ahead and burn down what is definitely broken. At 2:37 p.m. EDT, Moon then sextiles with Mercury (in Leo). At least verbally, the message is, "Not to worry. It's all being handled." Is it, though? At 5:44, Venus squares with Uranus, exactly what Moon did to her at 6:37 a.m. Bright ideas that are really old, flawed ideas are not helpful or welcome. By 6:20, Moon conjuncts with Saturn (also in Libra)

indicating that, finally, someone at least grasps an issue. Law and borders are for the moment secure. We end with the 8:00, Moon trine with Mars (in Gemini). A fast message to whom, and was that wise when in six hours, Moon wallops Cancer Sun

Friday, the 8th limits us to three formations beginning with the forewarned 2:29 a.m. EDT, Libra Moon square with Cancer Sun. If this is the beginning of the weekend news cycle, there will be plenty for the analysts and enablers to embrace or shred depending on their political leanings. At 3:45, Venus (in Cancer) trines with Chiron (in Pisces), which is no surprise, but not what is good for anyone. Do yourself a favor and retreat from anyone acting like the victim or simply intent on an all-night pity party. At 8:31 p.m. EDT, Venus decides to oppose Pluto (in Capricorn). We're not going to transform, fix what's broken, or literally pink slip something? That sounds like bad form and a failure for certain parties who were expected to do their job.

Saturday, the 9th gets ultra busy again beginning with Venus (in Cancer) sextiling with Jupiter (in Taurus) at 2:06 a.m. EDT. This is hopeful news luck-wise, and with benevolence and funding. At 2:31, Moon then leaves air sign Libra, to enter watery Scorpio. Wasting no time, by 3:32, Scorpio Moon trines Neptune (in Pisces). It's not like Scorpio to embrace the rose-colored glasses perspective--analysis and "the ugly truth" is the painful, but preferred choice, so is this about an increase of precipitation where Low Pressure advances? If so, it's drenching stuff. Otherwise, remember that Neptune is in retrograde, so we could be looking at a review of what we felt uncomfortable with before. Trust your intuition if you can't trust your eyes and ears--or the talking head(s) on TV. By 4:19, Mercury (in Leo) sextiles Saturn (in Libra). The embrace of law and boundaries--and big lessons--could be a result of Moon's decisions. Now comes the 10:16, Moon quincunx with Uranus (in Aries), then the trine with Chiron (in Pisces) by 11:04, and finally the third action, the 12:33 p.m. EDT sextile with Pluto (in Capricorn). This feels political and a vote of some sort where letting something crash-and-burn or otherwise die out is the goal for the greater good. Does it work? Well, at 1:11, Moon is opposing Jupiter (unlike Venus at the start of the day). No free lunches is the chant. But the 2:07, Moon trine with Venus (in Cancer) suggests some deal or alliance is in the works. Do watch for what I pointed out previously--at 8:35, Uranus goes retrograde (in Aries). Old battles and outside-of-the-box ideas will be given another chance for review as we struggle to get issues resolved. This momentum goes into December and the fact that this occurs in Aries tells me that the crisis in the Middle East, in Afghanistan, Iraq, plus the financial concerns around the globe will all continue to cause stress and strife and be key ingredients in elections worldwide.

Sunday, the 10th...only two aspects after the hard work yesterday. At 1:27 a.m. EDT, Scorpio Moon forms a quincunx with Mars (in Gemini) and that's the scorpion tail aiming for real--in case anyone thought it was kidding. Who is analyzing and exposing back "data?" It could end a career/campaign. The 9:07, Moon trine with Cancer Sun suggests a serious downpour, even damaging thunderstorms if you're where Low Pressure advances. Moods aren't anything to mess with, though, so if this is a relationship issue, be careful what you're embracing. It could come back to bite you.

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