

Planetary Forecast for June 26-July 2, 2006

In review... late Monday-early Tuesday's Aries Moon and Neptune sextile did bring plenty to add to the "fuzzy" thinking going on, but with the Fire-Air energy, I deleted my first impulse to warn of strong storms. There's another lesson in listening to that inner voice—Houston, Texas experienced massive flooding from a weak low-pressure system stuck off the coast, while in western Nicaragua ten-foot waves lashed their coast and forced hundreds to evacuate hotels, homes, and businesses, plus in N. Korea strong storms have delayed the launch of the long-range missile that's all the talk in the U.S., Japan, S. Korea, and China. In this case, the weather definitely helped to offset N. Korea's "fuzzy thinking." By the way, the powerful Fire energy means literally a continued fire threat in several states/locations, including Sedona, Arizona, and there was a need to "force success" on Tuesday at Chicago O'Hare Intl. Airport where a jet managed to make a fiery but safe landing after nose gear failure. Wednesday was even harsher than expected with the Moon-Saturn square and opposition to Jupiter—a temper tantrum against rules. One of Saddam's lawyers was murdered, followed by another within 24 hours, and in Tallahassee where a detention center was raided by FBI to arrest correctional officers selling alcohol to female inmates for sex, the officers shot and killed an FBI agent. The theme of "redo" worked in Arkansas where six convicts escaped their jail, some for the second time. And in Iraq 85 Shiites leaving factory jobs were abducted in their buses by 30-40 masked men. Pluto's presence in a quincunx with messenger Mercury bodes only bad news for those who haven't been released. On Thursday the Taurus Moon squared with Neptune and flooding and landslides were no surprise in Indonesia.

This week... Monday, June 26th brings a relatively slow day in terms of aspect activity with only two—an 8:05 a.m. EDT trine between Cancer Moon and Uranus (in Pisces), and at 5:06 p.m. EDT a quincunx between Moon and Neptune (in Aquarius). As I mention for Sunday the 25th, the Water-Water energy and Neptune's presence brings a strong chance for precipitation, hopefully where it's needed. Overall, the positive tone in the last twenty-four hours should continue. Just remember that Neptune and Uranus are in retrograde and Mercury has entered its "storm" period preparing to follow those planets' attitude increasing the potential for errors or accidents. Above all remember we are all highly sensitized due to the double Cancer influence (both Sun and Moon in Cancer). Imagine we're all walking around with an excruciating sunburn and are stuck in a crowded elevator wearing a full business suit. Enough said.

Tuesday the 27th at 3:51 a.m. EDT prepare for a Cancer Moon-Pluto (in Sagittarius) quincunx. In a best-case scenario there could be a rescue of some sort, or some emotional plea made in the nick of time to end a threat or standoff. "Communication" is present indicated by the Moon-Mercury (also in Cancer) conjunction at 12:02 p.m. EDT. But with Mars energy on its heels, we mustn't overlook the volatile effect on touchy Cancer and worry about violence. Moon enters Leo at 1:09 p.m. As warned Mars will quincunx with Uranus (in Pisces) at 7:33. There's usually a higher body count when those two planets are in collusion. Leo Moon will then sextile with Venus (in Gemini) at 10:31 triggering an eager dialogue between Fire and Air. Relief or joy from the day's events could bring passion in the evening; it all depends on who we are and where we've grown spiritually. Peace-loving homebodies will fare best.

Wednesday the 28th we may be wincing at 6:44 a.m. EDT when Leo Moon squares with Jupiter (in Scorpio). Don't waste money on a lottery ticket on the way to work; we'd be better served to keep both hands on the wheel and our eyes on the road. At 8:21 Moon angles into a conjunction with Saturn (in Leo)—no surprise that we're directed to follow the rules. A Moon-Uranus (in Pisces) quincunx at 5:45 has some pushing their point rather doggedly. That's followed by a Moon-Mars (also in Leo) conjunction at 6:57. If we're thespians on stage, this could be an environment to give the performance of our lives; however, for the rest, we could find this atmosphere (a penchant for drama) wearing.

Thursday, the 29th brings only two aspects but look at what they are—a Leo Moon opposition with Neptune (in Aquarius) at 3:11 a.m. EDT, then a 2:24 p.m. EDT Moon-Pluto (in Sagittarius) trine. So after Tuesday and Wednesday's events are we shedding tears of joy and success and dancing towards our destiny, or beating our chest and sobbing, "Mea culpa?" With so much Fire-Fire energy, aside from a concern for environmental crises, be prepared for life-altering changes.

Friday the 30th Moon will enter discriminating Virgo at 12:15 a.m. EDT and her first act will be to square with Venus (in Gemini) at 4:39 p.m. Virgo would like more work and less theatrics, which is a good idea if we hope to accomplish anything this week. At 6:22 Moon will sextile with Cancer Sun, assuring us that family and home remain our focus. Five minutes later Moon sextiles with Jupiter (in Scorpio), followed in an hour by Sun sextiling with Jupiter, as well. What a relief to have this break and a return to order and better fortune.

Saturday, July 1st continues the discipline theme with Virgo Moon opposing radical Uranus (in Pisces) at 5:55 a.m. EDT. At 10:19 Venus (in Gemini) will quincunx with Jupiter (in Scorpio) trying to use charm to get her way; the problem is both Uranus and Jupiter are in retrograde, so success might be less than we'd hoped for. This is followed in mid-afternoon by a Moon-Neptune (in Aquarius) quincunx bringing Earth-Air energy and a conflict between the tangible and ideas. All of these aspects demanding we force the issue to gain success are exhausting. The lesson here is to deal with what we can, but keep priorities straight and don't sacrifice recent gains due to greed or dissatisfaction.

Sunday the 2nd Virgo Moon will square with Pluto (in Sagittarius) at 2:58 a.m. EDT. The rest of the day will be more harmonious as Moon enters Libra at 1:06 p.m. EDT and Venus (in Gemini) sextiles with Saturn (in Leo) at 2:04 then Libra Moon sextiles with Mercury (also in Leo) at 3:34. The morning may be somber or sad for some, but Venus and Mercury will wax eloquent to tell us how fortunate we are regardless, and that the glass remains half full after all.

A little peace and quiet is welcome.
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