

Planetary Forecast April 25-May 1, 2011

*In review...*while deadline commitments required that I skip last week's forecast (my apologies) I'm able to point out that with Sagittarius Moon (fire energy) and Capricorn Moon (earth energy) owning the latter part of the week, the momentum for fire and earthquakes cranked up decisively. Add that Sun moved into Taurus on Wednesday, the 20th, and you can see where land, plus environmental and political havoc was wearing down many. In drought-stricken Texas, the state is ablaze from one border to the other. Across the country, tornadoes are changing the landscape, as well. Following last week's multi-state killer twisters, on Good Friday another EF4 storm hit St. Louis's Lambert Airport. As for politics and power-struggles, Syria and Libya continue to resist protesters more than anywhere else. On Saturday, Syria was killing protesters attending funerals of other murdered protesters. In Yemen, President Saleh has agreed to step down. Of course, he's agreed to other things before, and he's not gone yet. In regards to home-grown turmoil, someone planted a bomb at the mall near Columbine H.S. on the 12th anniversary of that horrible day. There was also a continued momentum for domestic abuse and general public anger/upheaval with several law-enforcement personnel wounded or killed while trying to make arrests or stop assaults or robberies. A positive sign is that Mercury went direct on Saturday; however, it can take a few more days before forward momentum gives us relief from the environment for accidents, poor communications, and glitches.

*This week...*we'll be dealing with Aquarius Moon, Pisces Moon, and Aries Moon indicating that ideas, impulses, and creativity should be fluid. Do be aware that we move from high air energy, which also means an increase in winds, where they are already strong, then heavy rains where Low Pressure advances (usually, where it's least needed), and then fire again. After the other two energies, can this be a surprise? While Neptune, now at home in Pisces, will be in the mood to see lots of half-full glasses and make excuses for everything and everyone, Venus is not in a good place in Aries and will probably counteract a good deal of Neptune momentum. Here, Venus is selfish and in the mood to argue with everyone, including the heavyweights Pluto and Saturn. Can someone get to understand, "Not a good idea?!" As a result of bad choices or sabotage, this week expect some to be undone by underestimating a situation or people. Others are simply out of their depth/league. If you're on holiday, or you've met someone new, enjoy that surge of passion. Just don't abandon common sense, and do watch your back. No matter how careful and fair you are, there are people with their own agendas.

Monday, April 25th and we'll have only two aspects, the 1:45 p.m. EDT, Aquarius Moon trine with Saturn (in Libra). This is double air energy and in this case wonderful for brainstorming. Ethics seen on the up and up, too. And the communication of what's been decided gets a good presentation with the 3:27, Moon sextile with Mercury (in Aries). Weather-wise, conditions remain for strong wind, which are likely to accelerate wildfires. It's a seven day in numerology, which to me always brings the reminder that it can bring a lot of luck and benevolence to some, but there are those who know better taking some bad risks. Destiny could come into play today and through the week.

Tuesday, the 26th and we have only two aspects again, the 2:13 a.m. EDT, Aquarius Moon sextile with Mars (in Aries), and the 7:28, Moon sextile with Jupiter (in Aries). This looks splendid on first glance. Energy and luck to seduce with passion. As I wrote earlier, fine if you're on holiday with someone you love and trust. Everyone else take heed. Aquarius will push any idea because he can; it's an adrenaline geyser. Mars is game for just about anything, too, and too often isn't concerned enough with the technicalities. The problem is to act without doing proper preparation and planning is an invitation for failure if not catastrophe. Remember, too, while Mercury has gone direct, it isn't at full speed yet, and some important details may be left out of the recipe--maybe intentionally, maybe by accident. Either way, do you want to get onboard any plan or plane with that kind of qualifier tainting things?

Wednesday, the 27th gets much busier. We start early with the 12:57 a.m. EDT, Moon shift into Pisces. There's lots going on with this moon, much of it often misunderstood or misrepresented. Do pay attention to dreams and intuition; strive to use your creativity for projects long planned. Avoid self-pity or excessive solitude and the indulgences that come with that. The momentum for precipitation rises now, so does the chance for foot injury, or chronic complaints of the feet. At 2:05, Pisces Moon conjuncts with Neptune (also in Pisces). No surprise here. This is a mutual admiration society of two--or co-dependents if there's nothing positive being done with this energy. That may, indeed, be the case because by 3:21, here comes Venus (in Aries) squaring with Pluto (in Capricorn). Remember I warned of Venus either overreaching or recklessly challenging serious Pluto? With Moon's eye off what is important, Venus thought she could get away with something. Now watch at 10:16 when Moon then conjuncts with Chiron (also in Pisces) for the grand pity and excuse party. You can't sleep on your watch and then complain no one warned you something could go wrong. Who's going down today, and who will be lost due to other's incompetence or selfishness? Moon tries to regroup and recover by 3:26 p.m. EDT, with a sextile with Taurus Sun. Smart move because Sun is wary of quick or excessive changes. And yet look at the last two aspects of the day--the 3:53, Pisces Moon sextile with Pluto (in Capricorn) and the 9:00, Moon trine with Pluto. After conferencing, Moon and Sun agree that something is over and must be relinquished or surrendered. If this is the Middle East, it could mean Yemen sees rule changes sooner, or if it's Libya, we'll see how the rebels react to tribal leaders' advice to surrender to Qaddafi. Considering that there's some crazy atmosphere gearing up towards the weekend, how smart (or maybe the word is "safer") is that? Everyone else needs to pay attention to their surroundings, extract yourself from situations that are giving you an uneasy feeling, and drive/travel defensively due to the weather and others being preoccupied or on a self-destructive bend.

Thursday, the 28th and there's only one aspect for the day, the 1:18 a.m. EDT, Pisces Moon quincunx with Saturn (in Libra). Here's the worrisome part of this "one" day over Numerology. Yes, it's a start-over to new things day, and the number for leadership and strong energy for success; however, the other side of that coin is that it brings out aggression, even cruelty in some. So, here Moon is trying desperately to make things stay "legal" and ethical, and placed where Saturn is in diplomatic Libra, the rhetoric can be eloquent, but previous actions and what's about to take place tomorrow

is akin to having set in motion a Pandora's Box of ills and probably pain. The sad bottom line is that Uranus and Jupiter are both in Aries--where Moon is about to be--and will assist the crazies or aggressors on this one. How does this bode for the royal wedding? It's a challenge, indeed.

Friday, 29th and there's only one shift and one aspect. More aren't necessary, thank you. Note that this is an eleven day in Numerology and the 11th and 29th of each month tend to be painful for the world/earth. It was March 11th when Japan got its first big 8.9 earthquake, which is and will be changing the country for decades to come, not necessarily because of the quake itself, but because of the tsunami that followed and the decision to build a nuclear plant where someone must have known of tsunami threats. On January 29th, Egypt's protests were well under way and got support in the U.S. (of all places by organized protesters--hint, hint), while Egyptian museums were looted and vandalized causing some priceless antiquities to be damaged or stolen. How stable do things look there today, Mr. O. and friend radicals? And who took their eye off the ball to where two trains collided in Germany killing at least 33?

So, at 1:33 p.m. EDT, Moon will shift into feisty and fiery Aries. Gulp. And by 6:56, Aries Moon conjuncts with Uranus (also in Aries). Expect the unexpected and the breach of promises made if such foolishness did occur. Also note the hour. What was necessary to be set in place or signed, etc? Naturally, for those in parched locations, the fire momentum cranks up even more--and arsonists could help things along.

Saturday, the 30th and it's no surprise that at 4:31 a.m. EDT, Aries Moon squares with Pluto (in Capricorn). Obviously good transformation aren't happening, and peaceful endings aren't either. It's 12:54 p.m. EDT, when Moon conjuncts with Venus (in Aries). Don't discount the willfulness of some--and the funding of others to make things happen. At 1:41, Moon then opposes law and order Saturn (in Libra). At 8:13, comes the press release--the Moon conjunction with Mercury (in Aries). In one minute, we end with Venus also opposing Saturn--like someone didn't get Moon's message earlier.

Sunday, May 1st is nostalgically remembered as May Day by communist countries, especially, and may get embraced again if yesterday and today's actions prove as successful as indicated. We have three conjunctions to look forward to, so the momentum is there for the last 48 hours activity to continue. At 12:26 a.m. EDT, Mars (in Aries) conjuncts with Jupiter (in Aries). At 10:01, Moon also conjuncts with Jupiter, and by 11:20, Moon conjuncts with Mars. It's success and celebration time. Don't be caught outdoors as all of those bullets go skyward. Moon will shift into Taurus early tomorrow to try to regain some stability and help us focus on what we still have, or what can be rebuilt. Naturally, it's New Moon time to give us the encouragement to launch those projects that the retrograde and waning moon had us deferring.

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