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#### **AUTHOR'S NOTES:**

In numerology, 2007 is a nine year; a time of endings and completions in preparation for a time of new beginnings. Many things will end this year, including the transit of Pluto through Sagittarius, where it has been traveling since 1995. In 2008 Pluto will enter Capricorn, and a new era will begin. Pluto rules oil, and its transit through expansive Sagittarius has pushed oil prices up to new highs. What will happen when it enters restrictive Capricorn? Will we see a severe shortage of the product, or will the price of oil plummet as a result of new energy sources or the discovery of huge reserves? When Pluto and Saturn (ruler of Capricorn) get together there are often devastating events. Saturn and Pluto were in opposition to each other on America's ascendant on 9/11.

This year should be used to complete projects, plan new beginnings for 2008, and prepare for changes in our outlook. In many ways this is a watershed year. We will all see life differently next year. Finish up whatever is awaiting your attention, and save you new plans and ideas for 2008.

The escalation in troop activity in Iraq is quite obviously a result of Mars, ruler of the military traveling through Sagittarius, the most expansive of signs. With Pluto and Jupiter also here it is easy to misdirect the energy and use it in a destructive, rather than constructive manner. Pluto can go either way; it sees things in black and white and really can't allow for the middle ground. Jupiter simply wants more, and while it is in the sign of its rulership we will see more - of everything.

I have been predicting for 6 years that Bush would not complete his term in office. There is a good chance that 2007 will see the end of his presidency. Saturn will conjunct his Venus while Neptune opposes it. Venus rules Bush's 4<sup>th</sup> house of home, and he could be asked to move! This could also represent a health issue or the president, particularly involving his kidneys or the assimilation of sugars. Diabetes is a possibility.

Castro will die before the end of 2007. Cuba has a remarkable history associated with the Saturn – Neptune opposition that we are in the midst of. Cuba gained its independence from Spain in 1899, while this aspect was in play. In 1936, while the Saturn – Neptune opposition was in play, there was a succession of 8 governments controlling the island nation before a stable government was installed. And now, as Saturn opposes Neptune, Cuba will change governments one more time. The result will be a boom to the economy of that nation, and an open door policy between our two countries.

The unrestrained division of wealth in this country will continue, but there will be a reckoning. The recession and inflation that I have been writing and lecturing about could come in with a vengeance in the next few months. Of course if it does, it's the middle class that will take the brunt of the pain.

The New York Stock Exchange was begun under the Buttonwood Agreement on May 17, 1792. We use 10:00 A.M. EST as the birth time of this chart, but there is some disagreement about the time. Using that 10:00 A.M. time shows that transiting Saturn is in opposition to Pluto in that chart. Saturn will enter the 2<sup>nd</sup> house of money in October (our favorite month for stock crashes), and could create a bear market for about 2 years. I will continue to keep an eye on these charts and present periodic updates.

### **NEW MOON:**

**The New Moon falls on Thursday January 18<sup>th</sup> at 11:01 P.M. EST at 28 degrees Capricorn 41 minutes.**

The issues this month have to do with structure and stability. Focus on building a new foundation and don't get caught up in the things you are leaving behind. There can be a detached feeling with Capricorn energy, so be careful not to lose the personal touch. Because the New Moons are all currently in late degrees of their sign for several months, each, including this one, has been void of course. This implies that things will not go as planned, and you can expect sudden changes in direction and attitude. Be flexible and try to see where things take you before you assume the worst.

### **THE SUN ENTERS AQUARIUS:**

**On Saturday January 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:01 A.M. EST** we enter the fixed part of winter. For the next month the focus will be on individuality and experimentation. Boredom is a real problem with Aquarians, and while the Sun is traveling through this sign many of us will experience it. Try to look for unusual experiences, and don't be afraid to try something new.

### **VENUS OPPOSES SATURN:**

**On Monday January 22<sup>nd</sup> at 10:40 A.M. EST** this restrictive aspect comes along to challenge the very concepts of Aquarian energy. This can be a dull and uninspiring morning. Relationships will feel routine, and this isn't a good time for creative work. Concentrate on projects that require steady and concise focus. Leave the inspirational work for later in the day when Jupiter is stimulated.

### **MERCURY SEXTILES JUPITER:**

**Also on Monday January 22<sup>nd</sup> at 11:13 A.M. EST** this positive coupling completes and things will begin to pick up. Thoughts and ideas will come quickly and there will be an optimistic feeling in the air as the day moves on. Conversations will become light and friendly. This would be a good day to discuss anything that requires the support of others. This isn't a combative aspect so they probably won't be looking for a fight.

### **JUPITER SQUARES URANUS:**

**Also on Monday January 22<sup>nd</sup> at 4:42 P.M. EST** this unusual aspect occurs. This will be a day of varied

moods and energies. Go with the flow and try to avoid accidents or any sudden reversal in direction. It could take you the wrong way. This aspect should have an interesting affect on the financial markets. This could represent a sudden reversal in the stocks. Because this aspect will complete three times this year there could be a great deal of volatility in the markets.

### **VENUS SEXTILES PLUTO:**

**On Friday January 26<sup>th</sup> at 5:59 A.M. EST** this sextile completes. This is a good day to delve into any relationship issues. It will be easier to get to the bottom of things without the usual fears. Understanding is the cornerstone of any relationships, so use this energy for knowledge. Just pay attention to the following aspect, as these two will work together to create the aura of the day.

### **MERCURY CONJUNCTS NEPTUNE:**

**Also on Friday January 26<sup>th</sup> at 8:21 A.M. EST** this confusing aspect comes along. Mercury rules thoughts and speech, and Neptune can be deceptive and tricky, so don't believe everything you hear. This energy could be displayed as great understanding and empathy, or as a con game. It's difficult to know which until it's too late, so be careful. People may be deceptive without even realizing it.

### **VENUS ENTERS PISCES:**

**On Saturday January 27<sup>th</sup> at 10:32 P.M. EST** the goddess of love enters this esoteric sign. Love will take on a more compassionate nature for a few weeks. The desire to help others may at times overshadow the need for self-fulfillment. If your ego is in good shape this could be a time of great understanding. If not, you could feel left out.

### **MERCURY OPPOSES SATURN:**

**On Sunday January 28<sup>th</sup> at 1:07 P.M. EST** Saturn, the planet of restriction and responsibility will oppose Mercury. People will tend to be reticent and critical in their speech. This is a good day for arduous mental tasks, but not for sociable activities. Focus on your work and you can get a great deal done in a short period of time. But forgo that party; it won't be much fun anyway.

### **MERCURY SEXTILES PLUTO:**

**On Wednesday January 31<sup>st</sup> at 9:31 P.M. EST** this positive aspect and you should continue to work hard. This aspect is much easier than the Mercury – Saturn opposition, but it still requires concentration and focus to be of much use. If you use this series of aspects to your advantage you will be surprised at how much you accomplished in a few days. If not you will have missed a good opportunity.

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**Also on Monday January 22<sup>nd</sup> at 4:42 P.M. EST** this intense aspect will complete. The biggest problem with this transit is its suddenness. Expect the unexpected, and try pay attention to your immediate environment; it is easy to be distracted. This aspect can also manifest as an out of the blue stroke of luck, if it happens to set off your chart. If the stock markets are due for a correction you can look for it this week.

### **VENUS SEXTILES PLUTO:**

**On Friday January 26<sup>th</sup> at 5:59 A.M. EST** this sextiles completes. Depth in relationships is what most people will be seeking. If you want to impress Venus, show her how much you care, not how much you make. Don't worry if you have to fake it. After all, that's why alcohol was invented.

### **MERCURY CONJUNCTS NEPTUNE:**

**Also on Friday January 26<sup>th</sup> at 8:21 A.M. EST** this confusing aspect completes. Try not to sign important documents or negotiate a deal until late this afternoon at the earliest. There will be misunderstandings and the very foundation of the business venture might be fraught with legal and moral issues. And speaking of alcohol; do be careful. The intellect will be easily affected by all drug or alcohol.

### **VENUS ENTERS PISCES:**

**On Saturday January 27<sup>th</sup> at 10:32 P.M. EST** the goddess of love enters this sensitive sign. There will be more empathy and less passion for a while. Intuitions will be heightened and this would be a good time for any type of psychic or astrological studying or reading. Be careful that you don't give your heart to someone out of sympathy. If your natal chart does not support such a decision you will regret it once this planet enters Aries in a few weeks.

### **MERCURY OPPOSES SATURN:**

**On Sunday January 28<sup>th</sup> at 1:07 P.M. EST** this nasty opposition completes. People will be grumpy for the hours leading up to this, and frustrated for a few hours after. This is a no-nonsense transit, and you can expect direct and confrontational communication. Authority figures in particular seem to exude this attitude under Saturn transits. Don't fight with the cop; take the ticket and deal with it later under better aspects.

### **MERCURY SEXTILES PLUTO:**

**On Wednesday January 31<sup>st</sup> at 9:31 P.M. EST** this more positive Mercury aspect completes. It will be easier to relate your point of view. Others will be more able to grasp the depths of a situation, and everybody will want to get to the bottom of things. All that soul searching can become a pain in the ass, but at least it's a sextile and relatively unobtrusive in its force. This would be a good day to write or present a speech. Mercury rules communications, and Pluto has a lot to do with controlling the masses. It does rule Nazis, after all.

### **FULL MOON:**

**On Friday February 2<sup>nd</sup> at 12:45 A.M. EST the lunar peak occurs at 12 degrees Leo 59 Minutes.** Leos like to show off, and I wouldn't be surprised if this Full Moon chooses to do just that. There are some indicators that the stock market could take a bad hit sometime soon. This is one of the days I would be careful with my positions.

If you need to make a grand presentation you might want to pick this day for your opening. But if you need a large crowd you run a risk: It might be cold, and we could have a snowstorm. Winter Full Moons are noted for their sieges. As always, be careful leading up to this peak.

### **MERCURY ENTERS PISCES:**

**Also on Friday February 2<sup>nd</sup> at 4:20 A.M. EST** the planet of thought, communication and short journeys enters this watery sign. For a few weeks it will be the intuition not the intellect that rules. People may be hard to understand or seem confused. They are. It's just a time when we all must learn to trust our instincts and not rely so much upon our smarts. If you are confused about something, ask a second time. You may be embarrassed, but you won't get on the wrong highway.

### **MARS SEXTILES URANUS:**

**On Saturday February 3<sup>rd</sup> at 5:42 A.M. EST** this positive aspect completes. This would be a good day for any type of physical activity, and in fact, a physical release is necessary to gain the most from this transit. Although people's egos will be pronounced, they won't be belligerent or too aggressive. This could be a good day for group activities.

### **THE SUN SEXTILES JUPITER:**

**Also on Saturday February 3<sup>rd</sup> at 10:47 A.M. EST** this very positive and easy-going aspect comes along. Anything that includes expansion or growth will be favored. If you have a project that has been stalled, today may be a break-through for you. Most people will be supportive and easy to get along with.

### **VENUS CONJUNCTS URANUS:**

**On Wednesday February 7<sup>th</sup> at 1:56 P.M. EST** love takes an unusual turn. We won't be interested in the customary routines. Excitement is the call of the day. Try to plan something out of the ordinary. If you've wanted to do something experimental – now is the day to propose it. You will be bored with the same old, so don't bother. Any love affair begun now will be stimulating and exciting, but it probably will lack any stability or staying power.

### **THE SUN CONJUNCTS NEPTUNE:**

**On Thursday February 8<sup>th</sup> at 10:54 A.M. EST** this coupling occurs. This is a confusing and often debilitating aspect. It often coincides with problems in the financial markets. If it hits sensitive points in your chart it could be a very nasty day. Trouble with authority figures is common. So are misunderstandings. Try to clarify what you are trying to say.

### **VENUS SQUARES JUPITER:**

**On Friday February 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:31 A.M. EST** this pleasant aspect comes along. You won't feel like doing much until this moves along later in the day. Laziness and self-indulgence are the two most common phrases associated with this square. But you'll feel good. So why not plan a large, scrumptious breakfast somewhere? Be careful with your money. Spending is another indulgence these two like to share. Love might come out of the blue and very powerful. But it isn't quite as grand as it seems. Let time settle things into reality and accept the person for who they are, and you will be very happy with anyone you meet during this time.

### **THE SUN OPPOSES SATURN:**

**On Saturday February 10<sup>th</sup> at 1:42 P.M. EST** this bit of unpleasantness comes along. People may be feisty and nasty. Use this day for hard work and attention to detail, and it will be a productive time. I wouldn't plan a party until later that night at the earliest.

### **VENUS SEXTILES MARS:**

**On Tuesday February 13<sup>th</sup> at 5:47 P.M. EST** the male and female planets create a very nice aspect. In general, men and women should get along better today. If this sets off a good aspect to your chart this could represent a new love.

### **MERCURY RETROGRADES:**

**Also on Tuesday February 13<sup>th</sup> at 11:38 P.M. EST** the winged god of mischief begins his run backwards. **Until March 7<sup>th</sup> at 11:45 P.M. EST** when this planet turns back around, you must be careful. Use caution while traveling and double check all plans. Try not to buy a new cell phone, car, radio or other item associated with communication or travel. While Mercury is in retrograde the world seems to slow down. This is actually a good time to get someone to read your screenplay, or have an honest conversation about almost anything – if you can get them on the phone.

### **THE SUN SEXTILES PLUTO:**

**On Saturday February 17<sup>th</sup> at 8:06 A.M. EST** this positive coupling occurs. It should be easier to get others to do your bidding today. Most people will be in a conciliatory mood and any activity that is for the benefit of all involved will do quite well.

**DARK OF THE MOON:**

**The next New Moon falls on Saturday February 17<sup>th</sup> at 11:14 A.M. EST. The day or so leading up to it will be a particularly low energy period.** Spend this time finishing up anything that is incomplete, don't try to initiate new projects on a waning moon, it just won't work out. Once the New Moon hits you begin new projects or attempt a new approach to an existing problem. If you have been living in a situation or involved in a relationship that is intolerable or has outlived its usefulness this would be the proper time to move on with your life. If you have been working on a project that is almost complete but you seem to lack the energy for the finality, you must push during these low energy days to end the matter once and for all. If you don't, when the New Moon arrives it will bring this "dead" energy along with it and conflict with the newer force being presented. Each month we are offered a chance to clean house, so to speak.

**Note: All aspects are most powerful and effective as they apply. Once the transit has completed, its force is lessened. The further it separates the weaker it becomes.**

Below is a list of times this month when the Moon is Void of Course and neither important decisions nor purchases should be made during these periods. The Void of Course Moon is a time when we should try to center ourselves and deal with spiritual matters not materialistic ones. Any decisions made on the VC Moon will not turn out the way we had expected.

The Moon is Void of Course from the time it makes its last major aspect in a sign until it enters the next sign. For example, if the Moon squares Mars at 27 degrees Aries and then has no more aspects until it enters Taurus it will be Void of Course for three degrees or about 6 hours. The aspects used are the conjunction, sextile, square, trine, and opposition.

All times are Eastern Daylight:

January 18<sup>th</sup> 11:01 P.M. - January 19<sup>th</sup> 1:16 A.M.

January 21<sup>st</sup> 12:00 A.M. – 3:48 A.M.

January 23<sup>rd</sup> 2:11 A.M. – 5:52 A.M.

January 25<sup>th</sup> 4:50 A.M. – 8:28 A.M.

January 27<sup>th</sup> 11:08 A.M. – 12:10 P.M.

January 29<sup>th</sup> 1:40 P.M. – 5:16 P.M.

January 30<sup>th</sup> 4:30 P.M. – February 1<sup>st</sup> 12:14 A.M. \*\*\*moon is void day and a half

February 3<sup>rd</sup> 5:55 A.M. – 9:34 A.M.

February 5<sup>th</sup> 5:36 P.M. – 9:15 P.M.

February 8<sup>th</sup> 6:38 A.M. – 10:09 A.M.

February 10<sup>th</sup> 5:39 A.M. – 10:01 A.M. \*\*\*moon in void all day

February 13<sup>th</sup> 3:45 A.M. – 6:42 A.M.

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February 15 10:24 P.M. – February 15 11:34 A.M.

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