

Musings on Starlight

An Astrological Forecast for February 07 by Amelia Shea

*"When the Moon is in the Seventh House, and Jupiter aligns with Mars
Then peace shall guide the planets, and love will steer the stars
This is the dawning of the Age of Aquarius ..." **

Everyone seems to feel that we are living in remarkable if not ominous times. Speculation abounds about the meaning of the end of the Mayan calendar in 2012 . I think it speaks of the dawning of the Age of Aquarius signaling the end to the Age of Pisces.

The Sun entered the sign of Aquarius on January 20. The sign of Aquarius is ruled by both Saturn and Uranus. It rules goals and visions and the community that supports them. Aquarius is a visionary sign. It is concerned with the betterment of humanity through group efforts. It is capable of evolutionary leaps and bounds such as the development of computer technology and the internet. Would we be able to even explain such things to people at other times in history?

Aquarius is a brotherly /sisterly sign reminding us that we live on a small planet and what is good for each of us can reflect the good of the whole.

Aquarius speaks of the power of the mind- if we want to create a better world we must be able to visualize it first.

The Full Moon is full at 12 degrees of Leo on February 2 shortly after midnight EST. Full Moons are a time when it's natural to experience polarities . This Full Moon encourages us to challenge outmoded beliefs and fears in order to advocate for our highest aspirations.

All month Saturn is transiting in opposition to Neptune. It is exact on February 28. This has been an ongoing influence and will be felt through August of this year. Saturn represents the "rules of the road" and Neptune represents dreams and visions. This opposition highlights the territory that lies between reality and the world we are trying to create. Bringing these two forces into alignment is an ongoing challenge . On the political front this is playing out in the Democratic party's various strategies for resolving the crisis in Iraq and how far they are willing to go (will they pull funding for the war?) to make that vision real. Although they are backed by the majority of the American public the powers that be are in opposition.

Mercury stations retrograde February 13 at 10 degrees of Pisces. It moves back into the late degrees of Aquarius until its station and forward movement on March 8. This is an excellent time to revisit dreams and visions and how we may more effectively make them real. The Aquarian emphasis of this retrograde reminds us to factor in the power of thought.

On February 17 the New Moon is in Aquarius . This is an excellent time for intention setting about the direction of our goals and visions and how they fit into a larger plan.

On February 18 the Sun moves into Pisces ushering in a time well suited for artistic and spiritual pursuits. There are two eclipses coming in March in Pisces and Virgo. Eclipses are evolutionary doorways into the future.

On February 21, Venus enters Aries and will travel there until March 18 .This is a good time for moving forward with goals concerning finances and pleasure.

On February 25 Mars enters Aquarius where he travels until April 6. This is a good time to practice patience in dealings with others as well as with the journey towards long term goals.

Recently I have been reading Paul Hawken's book **Growing a Business** . In the book he quotes Henry Ford, the well known auto maker as saying , "Whatever you think is important because what you think will happen will happen, illustrating his belief about the power of thought. With planets in Aquarius it's a reminder that however we define our community we all inhabit the world and holding a bright vision of its future is important.

*"This is the dawning of the Age of Aquarius...
Harmony and understanding
Sympathy and trust abounding
No more forces of derision
Golden living dreams of visions
Mystic crystal revelations
And the mind's true liberation
Aquarius! Aquarius....."*

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