

# Musings on Starlight

"Fill us with gladness for the work that must be done." Joanna Macy, *World as Lover, World as Self*

We live in remarkable times – environmentally, economically and politically. The crises on the planet appear clearly in our individual lives. As with other challenging times in history the key to finding answers lies in the evolution of consciousness.

June starts off under the influence of a couple of late May planetary stations - Neptune and Saturn. When planets station their influence prevails for a few days. We may feel for the first few days of June as if we are living in a haze - when the lines between illusion and reality are blurry. It is also a time when the manipulation of information can occur and cause problems.

Mars moves up to an opposition with Neptune on June 4, extending Neptune's illusory veil. We may feel that it is difficult to visualize or actualize plans. It is a good time to strengthen the immune system. This is a temporary aspect - it will be out of effect by June 10.

On June 6 Jupiter moves into Aries. This influence is widely in effect now but will become stronger as it reaches an exact conjunction with Uranus on the eighth. Uranus entered Aries in the end of May and is one of the most important aspects of the year, signaling a revolutionary time. Jupiter and Uranus were in the sky together during the founding of the US in 1776. Their partnership was also involved in the expansiveness brought to us by internet technology. Speaking about his work inventing Google, one of the co-founders, Larry Page said, "Optimism is important... There is a phrase I learned in college- 'having a healthy disregard for the impossible'. You should try to do things most people would not."\* We have to remember that often what has been called impossible during various phases of history turned out to be possible later through inventiveness and innovation.

All of this is going on with Pluto in Capricorn which continues to reveal corruption and the misuse of power in corporations and government. One of the warnings of these powerful aspects is about the evolution of technologies which we are not in adequate control of – in evidence now in the Gulf or for example or in the lack of safety in the

storage of nuclear waste. Technological developments need not be inherently harmful to the earth but we are moving into a time where there are likely to be more consequences in this area if safeguards are not in place. Uranus in Aries is associated with revolution and part of the revolution which is going on calls for individuals to advocate for a healthy environment while having a "healthy disregard" for the advice of experts who may be rolling the dice with the natural world.

As Dennis Hayes wrote, "Politics, not droughts or overpopulation, cause hunger." We all have a part to play politically in the changes that need to be made.

Many ancient spiritual traditions believe it is an important time to visualize the planet surrounded by protective light or with thriving and clean water, soil and air.

The Summer Solstice is on June 21. As the Sun enters Cancer it enters into the Pluto/Saturn/Uranus Jupiter configuration forming a Grand Square. The Sun also harmoniously aspects Neptune and the Moon. The Solstice chart is said to predict the summer season. It indicates that through these challenging times it is far better to open our hearts to love and compassion instead of letting fear run amok.

Use the rest of the month to gather information about any decisions that need to be made. Events or the perception of events may change rapidly under this type of influence.

There will be a lunar eclipse June 26 at 7:39 pm EDT.

"We must learn to step forward without the grand plan and without overcoming all possible objections." Margaret Lulic, *Working as if Life Mattered*\*\*

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\*from **The Google Story** by David A. Wise

\*\* quotes from Joanna Macy and Margaret Lulic from **The Green Devotional** by Karen Speerstra

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