

## **Astrological Update for the Summer of 2010**

### **June 21 – June 26 – Sun into Cancer squaring Uranus and Jupiter in Aries squaring Saturn in Virgo opposing Pluto in Capricorn**

What can I say? The astrology is intense! The challenge with writing this column is keeping it under a million words. There is so much to cover.

This Summer Solstice is initiated with what's called a Grand Cardinal Square. (Sun in Cancer) Focuses on the Home/Earth/Family, (Uranus/Jupiter in Aries) is exploding, birthing and expanding, (Saturn in Virgo) struggles with the status quo and finally, (Pluto in Capricorn) tries to control it all. Talk about feelings of struggle.

Classically, the Grand Square is an aspect of much agitation, tension and upheaval because it is the beginning of an entire cycle of time, especially because the planets involved are occupying the "Zero" degree of the cardinal signs which makes this something truly magical and rare. The beginning of a sign is just that, a brand new experience and to have so many heavy hitting planets at the beginning degree of the Cardinal Signs! It can be as tremendous and mind blowing as when the first humans set foot on the moon, hence the urgency, disruption, amazing excitement and yes, anxiety.

This can also be a most productive, dynamic, high-functioning time of manifestation and accomplishment, especially if there is a unifying goal and objective. The square energy is "get up and go" energy – apply the feeling of satisfaction and thankfulness rather than frustration or anger and this summer will be hugely productive.

Whenever a planet is at 0 degree, the beginning of a zodiacal sign, it is radiating an enormous surge of birthing energy. This is a time of bursting, abundant new energy. This is volatile enough by itself but when Saturn (restriction) and Pluto (control) are squaring off and challenging Uranus (change) and Jupiter (expansion), the change isn't allowed to just unveil itself. There are control issues, and power struggles and rivalry, dominance, delay and covert activities and unfinished business.

Raw electricity from a power line unimpeded would destroy the circuits in your house, so in order to use the electricity we limit it and reduce it into a useable form. This is the metaphor for the challenge of our times. We have an enormous amount of raw energy (Uranus, Jupiter) available and we're inventing news ways of structuring, forming, limiting and defining (Saturn, Pluto) it for our healthy usage.

Balance your use of technology, commitments, details and appointments so you don't blow your circuits. Reduce the urgency and hyperactive stimulation so some appreciation of the pure experience of these vital times can be experienced. Release your comfort zone without fear or resistance. Make moves into the new and unknown accepting it is right to create new relationships and enjoy new experiences even though these experiences and relationships come at you with increased speed and may not be permanent. Reduce your consumption of news and traumatic stories and events because,

despite all the horror stories, these are amazing, wondrous times filled with potential and expansion in healthy and sustainable ways.

The challenge of this summer is to stay grounded and calm in the face of high amounts of electric and seismic energy pumping through the 3 dimensional world causing the earth to quake, volcanoes to blow, peaking sun spot activity and the ocean floor to hemorrhage oil.

It is apparent to everyone something different is happening. This summer we step over a threshold into a historic moment in time where we are mapping our future. It's not because we want to but because we are being Forced to. 1927 – 1934 is the last time Uranus was in Aries. That's when Heisenberg developed THE UNCERTAINTY PRINCIPAL. Nothing could be more descriptive and relevant! The first television picture was broadcast. The advancements in science and technology were extraordinary and too numerous to mention and we are again pregnant with that possibility.

The Sun in Cancer is classically the “home”. Squaring Uranus, we see volcanoes, earthquakes, explosions and general chaos and anarchy affecting our earth home. We can't help but feel it personally. Everyone in some way is updating, re-inventing, freeing and or re-structuring their homes, families, their nests personal and trans-personal.

When the oil spill happened Chiron (asteroid of the wounded healer) went into Pisces (the ocean, oil, deception, imagination), exacerbating the explosive Uranus with added Jupiter huge abundant amounts, (it's rare we think of abundance as being bad). Maybe when Chiron retrogrades back into Aquarius again July 20, we will see the leak finally really STOP.

As a dear friend said to me recently, “This is not an easy time for control freaks!” We are not in control right now. Our everyday routines are breaking down bringing in new ideas, new problems, new relationships, new skills, new worries and new vision.

This aspect is “accident prone”. The energy wants to break free, its needs to and will find an outlet. So be mindful and allow for some freedom and release and breaking with the old and going in an inspiring new direction. The free flowing feelings generated by spontaneous discovery are exciting and in each and every life there will be break through in a BIG WAY.

### **June 26 – Sun in Cancer opposing Moon in Capricorn conjunct Pluto**

The Sun illuminated Uranus at the Summer Solstice and some innovative technological breakthrough revealed itself, maybe some brilliant way of handling at least one of our crises. Now, the Sun will oppose Pluto and the Moon and, unless there is amazing cooperation, there may now be a bureaucratic or institutional resistance to that breakthrough. So there may be one step forward, and two steps back: an amazing new awareness and then the time it takes to fit it into the structure of our 3 dimensional limitations. It may feel particularly stressful because one minute it seems there is

refreshing, freeing release and then, oh yeah, still resistance, still old business, delay, fear and control. But through it all, we may understand how to operate on the higher dimensions. We may accept the energy world in terms that become as common as the way the word “green” entrenched itself in our minds. The alien intelligence will be working through a chosen few sharing future technology.

### **July 5 – Uranus in Aries retrograde conjunct Moon conjunct Jupiter**

July is an amazing month of incredible activity.

Perhaps some insomnia as waves of seismic activity energize ideas and plans to be shared with a large group of people. It may inspire new actions, and bring about an unexpected reversal of fortune: a surprising and shocking u-turn.

### **July 9 – Venus opposing Neptune, Mercury into Leo**

Artistic and spiritual inspiration, seeking entertainment and creativity in speech and mind, planning a party or creative affair meant to inspire and provoke imaginative playfulness.

### **July 11 – Venus into Virgo, Sun and New Moon in Cancer**

Cleaning, beautifying and refreshing the home, hearth and garden. This new moon week can be very satisfying and provide support for nurturing and deepening our connection to body, mind and spirit. Taking a fresh approach to the cultivation of self care.

### **July 20 – Chiron retrograde into Aquarius through February 9, 2011**

The oil spill occurred on April 20, 2010 when Chiron went in Pisces (the wounded healer in the sign of oil and the ocean) thus initiating this catastrophic event. Chiron going back into Aquarius may well be a huge reversal and stoppage and clean up. Perhaps amassing technology from the private sector and breaching of the corporate gates to allow in solutions from “outsiders”. Possibly some painful truth revealed that is none the less liberating and awakening.

### **July 23 – Sun into Leo, Jupiter retrograde at 3 Aries, Saturn into Libra**

Sun into Leo brings deeper feelings of Summer! The heat, the play, the vacation atmosphere is now full on. Some thought needs to be put into prudent modulation of the expansion, equalizing and stabilizing with Saturn into Libra. Saturn, the judge, balances (Libra) the youthful optimistic exuberance (Jupiter in Aries). It may seem a little deflating but it’s a welcome check and balance system

### **July 26 – Sun in Leo full Moon in Aquarius, Saturn in Libra opposing Uranus in Aries**

A big, bright realization of community and love is shared in group appreciation. It represents a full expression of the heart chakra. Innovation and creativity as well as seriously opinionated yet oppositional may bring hot flashes of rage and irrational behavior instantly tempered by the urge to be fair and harmonious challenged by the equal and opposite urge to be free and independent and fiercely individual. A revolutionary uprising brewing in many factions of the people.

**July 28 – Mercury in Virgo into shadow of the retrograde August 1 – Mercury direct September 12 at 5 Virgo**

A feeling of fixing and healing and advising mixed with a drive to perfection and analysis that requires stepping into the past in an investigative fashion in order to solve intricate puzzles and problems from now until September 5 when Mercury goes direct. This may be a disturbing retrograde for the animals and plants and many many beings that are in ill health. It is also the opportunity to concentrate on bringing health and well being back to a balanced level.

**July 30 - Mars into Libra conjunct Saturn in Libra Oppose Uranus in Aries Squaring Pluto in Capricorn**

Be careful of accidents and unpredictable potential violence and explosions of pent up energy this week. A warlike vibration makes itself known. A good usage of the energy would be to innovate and construct some much needed mediation and channeling strife into constructive activity. Dance salsa hard and heavy. Sweat and compete yourself into an altered state of Zen like crystal vision

**August 9 – New Moon and Sun in Leo, Venus, Mars, Saturn in Libra opposing Uranus, Jupiter in Aries, Squaring Pluto in Capricorn**

Wow. The configuration of the planets today is powerful and insistent. Diametrically opposed forces really really really want their own way. Maybe some new national or regional boundaries are drawn. New territories are carved out. Clean lines of separation and demarcation pop up because consensus just isn't possible right now. Let's all agree to disagree and get on with our enormous tasks of building new structure and foundation alone and together.

**August 15 – Uranus retrograde into Pisces until March 2011**

We've been riding the roller coaster so hard and so fast – this retrograde is a welcome lull back into the more subconscious etheric infinite field energy. There may be a feeling of slight confusion or vague non-specificity. With luck, the chaotic beginning of the summer calms down because this is a 7 month time of processing the deeply cathartic progress into the new that we've experienced this summer

**August 20 – August 24 – Mercury retrograde in Virgo until September 12, Sun oppose Neptune**

We are filled with a sense of confusion. We feel challenged to decipher the seemingly contradictory information. The wound is revealed and we become aware of the necessary “medicine” to bring healthy alignment, balancing a sense of order and right action with a sense of the mystic and magical. The essence of the medical intuitive is what’s needed to diagnose the mysterious ailment.

### **August 24 – Sun in Virgo oppose Moon in Pisces**

This is time for compassionate service; unending devotion to service. Sorting one pebble at a time and eventually the entire mountain is moved, remaining egoless in the face of preparing the harvest, staying on task for the sacredness of the work itself.

### **September 8 – Sun and New Moon in Virgo**

The mysteries of the “Virgin” energy, that which is untouched, pure and awaiting the “seeding” of vivifying energy that creates the next form. A moment of pure anticipation of all that is good and eternal in nature and within ourselves

### **September 12 – Mercury direct in Virgo, Venus into Scorpio, Jupiter retrograde into Pisces**

Now comes a pivotal refocusing and preparation to delve even deeper into the work at hand. A good time for intense communication and sharing philosophical and higher minded vision attained through perseverance coupled with piercing mental clarity

### **September 14 – Pluto direct in Capricorn**

Psychologically we turn into the outer world. We raise up from the murky deep a long buried secret revealing its power to transform. Some corporate and group soul retrieval. Rules of order are applied to a slumbering pressurized secret

### **September 23 – Sun in Virgo oppose Full Moon in Pisces (2<sup>nd</sup> time)**

A second chance to continue selfless compassionate service toward a higher purpose. Seems like we’ve found a way to continue some functional clean up of the ocean. We return order through separating, cataloguing and applying detail to enormous areas of illusive, infinite dreamlike energy. The marriage of the specific and the non specific.

Call me and we’ll see where the Grand Cardinal Cross is in your chart! Until next time in Peace and Love and Joyful anticipation.

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