

February 2006 Celestial Timings

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What Do We Mean by Love?

Love isn't kind acts
or gifts wrapped
with a bow on top –
although love may lead you
to do these things.

Love means
tearing down the separateness
and the boundaries
between your heart feelings
and another person.

Love is just
a feeling
of togetherness
an openness
in your heart.

Actually, when you love someone
it means that
he or she
is putting you in touch
with a part of you
that you love
in yourself.

Prescriptions for Happiness

~Ken Keyes, Jr.

The themes of self-love, self-acceptance, self-approval and self-confidence are still active this month as the signs of self-interest (Leo, Aquarius, Taurus and Scorpio) are maintaining their place center stage. As the month begins we have Chiron (4 Aquarius) and retrograde Saturn (6 Leo) approaching their exact opposition happening later this month. Jupiter (17 Scorpio) and Mars (22 Taurus) are widening their opposition. In addition to Chiron we also have a potent Aquarian line-up of the Sun (12 Aquarius) Mercury (16 Aquarius) and Neptune (17 Aquarius) expanding our awareness of the "big picture" overview. Plus this year we have two very important cycles including the 19 year Lunar Standstill and Pluto reaching the center of Galactic Center for the first time in about 248 years. The Center of our Galaxy is dominated by a huge black hole acting as a divine transmitter and receiver. The Mayan's called this place in the sky Hunab Ku *the giver of all movement and measure*. Pluto acts to clear any blocks that prevent us from utilizing this energy where new information can directly reach our DNA. These events are indicating major shifts in our planetary space-time vibrational karmic grid as well as our own personal grids or blueprints and how they interact with the greater collective experience. We are being called to die to what has been and be reborn anew into a whole new vibrational energy field that literally allows and supports us bringing in and experiencing Heaven on Earth.

On a personal note my process of dying to the old and going through dramatic shifts over the past couple of years is reflected in me choosing a new name as I am also choosing a new life. Last month I contacted the Kabalarians for assistance in choosing a balanced name and will be legalizing my new name Cayelin K. Castell within the next couple of months. I have already started using the name and I can feel how different it is already. If you are interested in knowing more about balanced names etc... <http://www.kabalarians.com>

In other news around more changes in finding ways to continuing producing the Celestial Timings each month I have accepted an offer that will help to accomplish this goal. Someone has purchased the Celestial Timings from me and they are in the process of creating changes over the next three to four months that will place the Celestial Timings on an automatic annual subscription basis. There will still be a limited free offering each month about what is happening in the sky. This change is intended to give me more time to write the Celestial Timings as well as to further other projects in the Shamanic Astrology Mystery School and The Institute of Neo-Archaic Cosmology. I will keep you posted as things develop with this project.

February Sky and the Visible Planets

Mercury (17 Aquarius to 26 Pisces) appears low in the twilight glow beginning Feb 8 and makes its best evening appearance during the last half of the month. A tiny crescent Moon appears to the lower left of Mercury at dusk on Feb 28.

Venus (16 Capricorn to 26 Capricorn) goes direct on Feb 3 and reaches maximum brightness in this morning star appearance on Feb 14 and is rising a 2 to 2 and ½ hours before Sunrise. Moon passes by Feb 24.

Mars (22 Taurus to 5 Gemini) is returning to the Pleiades making its exact conjunction around Feb 16 and 17. Look for both the Pleiades and Mars directly overhead as the sky darkens after Sunset. A slightly more than half full Moon passes by Mars Feb 5.

Jupiter (17 Scorpio to 18 Scorpio) is the second brightest star in the Morning sky after Venus and is still hanging out near the Scales. The waning Moon passes by Feb 19 and 20.

Saturn (7 Leo to 5 Leo) is rising before the Sun sets and is low on the western horizon at dawn, disappearing just before the Sun rises on Feb 1. The nearly Full Moon passes by Saturn on Feb 10 and 11.

February Timings

Feb 1, Wednesday. The Moon is moving into Aries later today energizing the mysteries associated with spontaneous decisive action based on trusting our in-the-moment intuitive process that helps direct and support any courageous authentic actions we are willing to take now.

Mercury conjunct Neptune and square Jupiter brings us additional messages in connection to the Grand Cross experience that has been in place the past few weeks focusing on further developing personal aspects of our individual divine expression. This is an expansive dreaming space that can also be a time for acting upon our inspiration due to the Moon's passage through Aries.

Feb 2, Thursday. Jupiter (nearly 18 Scorpio) is in the Gateway between Zuben Algenubi (15 Scorpio) and Zuben Alshamali (19 Scorpio) the two brightest stars in the Scales. Jupiter is visible just to the left of Zuben Algenubi and will be stationing retrograde on March 4 at 18 degrees and 52 minutes of Scorpio remaining in the gateway until May and then returning in September. Once every 12 years Jupiter passes by this area of the sky further expanding the stars of the scales that are currently marking the Samhain cross quarter between the September Equinox and the December Solstice when the veil between the worlds is thinnest. This suggests an expansion of this between the worlds gateway providing us with easier access to other domains of experience. (See Jan 23, 2006 archives)

Feb 3, Friday. Venus stations Direct (16 Capricorn) ending the Venus retrograde that began on Dec 24 however Venus has been traveling in the Retrograde zone since Nov 22 and will not leave this zone until March 6. It will be interesting to note what is completing during this time especially in relationship to the feminine principle and the end of her journey through Gemini and the beginning of her journey through Capricorn that will last until she rises as a morning star in August 2007. This Timing suggests it is helpful to take responsibility for how we are creating our reality through our thoughts, words and actions. We do not always have a choice in what we experience in our external world but we do have a choice about how we respond to what is happening.

Feb 4, Saturday. We have reached **the astrological cross-quarter (Sun at 15 Aquarius)** or exact half way point between the December Solstice when the Sun crosses 0 Capricorn and the March Equinox when the Sun crosses 0 Aries. This is traditionally a time for continued cleansing and purifying of old energies while creating space for new ones. **Also today is the Taurus First Quarter Moon** (18 Taurus) inspires us to act upon manifesting our truest heart's desires for Heaven on Earth. An effective way to engage this timing is to imagine "the

garden" of abundance, of beauty, and of sensual sacred pleasure, where our hearts sing with gratitude for the gifts of life, love and joy.

Feb 5, Sunday. Sun conjunct Neptune (17 Aquarius) deepens even more the inner process of Neptune intending to further develop intuitive knowing and the qualities of inspired dreaming. In Aquarius this process is usually unexpected and revolutionary. The Neptunian shift often occurs through chaos and confusion. What once seemed so clear suddenly may be hazy. A fog rolls in and the clearly defined landscape of the mind is muted or invisible. Trusting and surrendering to your inner knowing is the only accurate guide available now. The Moon is passing near Mars and the Pleiades tonight visible overhead after Sun set.

Feb 6, Monday. Moon in Gemini illuminates the mysteries that take us beyond ordinary reality, beyond the limiting rules of this dimension, beyond rational and linear thought processes. This is the domain of the coyote trickster who encourages us to let go of pre-conceived ideas and beliefs and reminds us things are not as real as they appear. Passing through the Sacred Hoop over the next few days the Moon is approaching Aldebaran, the eye of the Bull, and by tomorrow night it will appear just beyond Aldebaran at Moonrise. In some cultures Aldebaran was considered the all-seeing "eye of god" and has associations with the restoration of the original perfection of the Earth. This is a great time to tune in and ask for restoration through remembrance of divinity that we are and the purity and perfection of our hearts.

Feb 7, Tuesday. Retrograde **Saturn (7 Leo) and Chiron (5 Aquarius)** are moving toward another exact opposition on Feb 20 helping to structurally solidify the new consciousness emerging through new energy codes manifesting on new biological wavelengths that will bridge the old electromagnetic spectrum – with an entirely new one - ultimately creating a whole new vibrational assemblage point. This is the ultimate Aquarian conspiracy towards massive paradigm shifts in consciousness. One of the energies showing up to help facilitate this process is called Deeksha (sometimes spelled Diksha).

One website has this to say about this energy. *Deeksha is a transfer of divine, intelligent energy creating a neurobiological shift in the brain and awakening the energy centers (Chakras) in the body. This shift in consciousness frees you from the suffering created by the mind, balances the body's natural healthy and healing energies and attunes the brain with the fields of unity, bringing an end to the illusion of "apparent separation".*

Once initiated, it is a gradual Awakening process that leads you naturally to a lasting state of Oneness, Inner peace, and Well-being. Deeksha does not belong to any religion or belief, it is a 'dogma free' universal energy that can be received by anyone, whichever path they choose to follow. It works uniquely and intelligently to connect you directly with the truth of your own being.*

The following links provide more information about this amazing energy and will hopefully lead you to find someone in your area who is trained to give Deeksha if

you feel guided to receive this. Also helpful is to put your location and Deeksha into a search engine to find out what is going on in your area.

http://www.onenessmovementdc.org/what_is_deeksha.php
<http://www.onenessuniversity.org> <http://www.livinginjoy.com>
http://www.onenessmovementdc.org/related_articles_index.php

Feb 8, Wednesday. The waxing Moon moves into Cancer until Feb 10 and Mercury moves into Pisces until April 13 due to the Mercury Retrograde beginning Mar 2 (27 Pisces) and lasting until March 25 (13 Pisces). The Moon's move into Cancer crosses the center point of the Sacred Hoop where the June Solstice Sun now rises and is worth noting in tonight's sky. Visual connection with the Moon passing by these starry patterns helps to inspire your own understanding and connection to the mysteries unfolding in this Celestial Dance.

Mercury's move into Pisces shifts communication style to a more empathic, feeling-oriented experience suggesting it can be helpful to notice how your thinking affects your feelings and how your feelings affect your thinking. When heart and mind are harmoniously synchronized in the Pisces realm then creative expression and communication are maximized.

Feb 9, Thursday. Mercury (2 Pisces) rapidly approaching conjunction to Uranus (10 Pisces) exact Feb 14. Also, Mercury will station direct within one degree of Uranus on March 25 so this next couple of months Mercury is working with the highly unpredictable Uranian energies. This is a good time to back up your computer and to be prepared for technical glitches as our typically left-brained cultural approach to life is radically shifting to a right-brained focus and communication style. More than ever it helps to trust our inner knowing especially when events do not make logical sense and to allow for the challenges that occur through miss-communication when what you think you are saying is not what the other person is hearing or what you are hearing is not what the other person is trying to communicate. Patience helps as does trusting what is being transmitted telepathically bypassing the limits of language whenever possible.

Feb 10, Friday. Moon moves into Leo reminding us of our divine nature and that "we are the ones we have been waiting for" as we have been so brilliantly reminded by the Hopi elders. We are God in form and for many it is simply that we have forgotten this reality for truly all existence resides within the body of God and can be nothing less than God, nothing less than divine.

Feb 11, Saturday. The nearly full **Leo Moon conjuncts Saturn** energizing the new forms of self-love and self-confidence we are free to choose as our inner personal experience. In Neale Donald Walsh's book Conversations with God Book One, God says "...you have forgotten what it was like to be loved without condition. You do not remember the experience of the love of God. So you try to imagine what God's love must be like, based on what you see of love in the world...This fear-based love reality dominates your experience of love, indeed, actually creates it. For not only do you see yourself receiving love which is conditional, you also watch yourself giving it in the same way..."

Fear is the energy which contracts, closes down, draws in, runs, hides, hoards, harms.

Love is the energy, which expands, opens up, sends out, stays, reveals, shares, heals...

...When you choose the action love sponsors then will you do more than survive, then will you do more than win, then will you do more than succeed. Then will you experience the full glory of Who You Really Are, and who you can be...

Feb 12, Sunday. The Leo Full Moon (24 Leo) further illuminates the Grand Cross described in the January 2006 Celestial Timings though it is moving out of its most dramatic affect. These energies have to do with the further developing personal aspects of our divine expression. With Leo on the leading edge of this Timing awareness of how we love ourselves is a key to maximizing this Full Moon energy. In Catherine Ponder's book The Prospering Power of Love she says, "...There is no reason for you to feel disillusioned or disappointed if love has seemingly let you down or passed you by. Those who bitterly declare that their lives are without love are mistakenly looking to someone or something outside themselves for love. Begin realizing now that love is first within you and can be released through your thoughts, feelings, words, and actions, as you begin developing love from within outward, you are truly proving your method to be spiritual scientific, and satisfying. You no longer feel at the mercy of people, situations, and conditions. You become master of your world and free from hurt, fear, disappointment and disillusionment."

Feb 13, Monday. Moon is moving into Virgo late tonight or early tomorrow morning energizing the archetypal realm of Spider Woman - weaver of this web of life. Spider is the master weaver of the web drawing to her web all she needs to fulfill her divine purpose. Spider knows each individual thread of the web is crucial to the entire web and to a balanced expression of the Whole creation and she attends to each one reweaving where necessary and even creating whole new webs when the old ones no longer serve or are beyond repair.

Feb 14, Tuesday. The **Sun (25 Aquarius) is sextiling Pluto (25 Sag)** signaling the approaching Pluto retrograde on March 30. This is a time to note all transformative progress, validating and solidifying the experiences that originate from your authentic core self. It is helpful to embrace any lingering shadow issues including the fears and judgments and forgotten or denied skills and abilities we carry while also noting that the Sun is providing fuel for the transformation to occur. This is an excellent timing to again embrace the truth of our being with loving forgiveness where needed, transforming these shadowed elements into our greatest gifts bringing to light their wealth as the medicine we carry.

Feb 15, Wednesday. The Moon moves into Libra this evening energizing the mysteries of conscious equal partnership free of co-dependent (meaning any kind of psychologically dependent ways of relating that are unhealthy especially when our sense of self revolves around a significant other) and counter-dependent* addictions or patterns that are so prevalent in our current

culture. In essence the Libra mysteries are now exploring the concept of *interdependence* based on trust and knowing what we can achieve together is way beyond what we can achieve alone. Together we can accomplish things that could not be accomplished without this kind of partnership. *(Note - counter-dependent is defined as...where everything the other is doing is questioned actively - denying the value the other brings - thus having to second-guess motive because of fear of being taken advantage of or hurt).

Feb 16, Thursday. The Libra Moon is approaching the fixed star Spica located in the hand of the Virgin Priestess and will pass by this star tomorrow. Spica reminds us of the importance of what we sow determining what we reap. When considering the themes of conscious equal partnership and creating healthy interdependent ways of relating it helps to remember this includes personal committed partnerships but also the partnerships we form in community and with the world at large. It is essential to know our selves through our individual expression and the gifts we have to offer to the greater whole of life. From this place we attract our significant others, family and community or tribe where we have the opportunity to create healthy interdependent relationships that honor and value our individual expression and the gifts we bring to share and incorporate into the greater collective - thereby enhancing not only our personal experience but the experience of all involved. This transforms the current relationship and partnership paradigm through consistent acts of cooperation and caring creating an environment that promotes health and harmony.

Feb 17, Friday. Action oriented Mars travels through Gemini beginning today remaining in this domain until April 13. This is the trickster coyote, shapeshifter, entertainer who stretches our minds and expands our reality. Gemini loves to have fun and to play. It might be helpful to note what actions are you taking to create fun in your life?

Feb 18, Saturday. Sun moves into Pisces and Moon Moves into Scorpio emphasizing the mysteries of healing through compassion, death and rebirth, resurrection and renewal, and the willingness to dream a new dream of reality. The image of the Phoenix willingly diving into the fire to be born anew brings to mind the ascension process, purifying and transforming through the alchemy of love.

Feb 19, Sunday. The waning Scorpio Moon is conjunct Jupiter (18Scorpio36) and square Neptune (18 Aquarius) plus the Sun (1Pisces) is square Mars (1 Gemini) and Mercury (19Pisces) is trine Jupiter (19 Scorpio). All these are impactful aspects combining in a way that can activate profound changes in expanding our edges of reality into new territory including experiencing a new vibrational light and time grid or in essence a new vibrational assemblage point. We can consciously participate with physically anchoring this cosmic vibrational healing energy by allowing our thoughts, feelings, and actions to reflect these changes. Working

with the Deeksha energy is also accelerating the anchoring of these incoming energies in physical manifestation. (See Feb 7 for more Deeksha info and see Chiron In Aquarius on the Articles Page)

Feb 20, Monday. The last quarter phase of the Moon in Sagittarius (3 Sag) suggests this is the part of the hero's journey where s/he is crossing the return threshold that marks where the journey began, returning with the gifts and boons gained for further synthesis and integration. Reflecting on your personal truths, beliefs, and practices and how well they are serving your current life expression. Are they healthy and balanced, or are they excessive and limiting your experience as a result? If you don't have any spiritual practices maybe its time to find ways to pray or meditate or otherwise connect in with source. Being open to change, taking time to go within, releasing attachments to outcome, meditating, and simply being with what IS can be amazingly helpful.

Feb 21, Tuesday. The last quarter Moon is moving beyond Antares tonight, marking the heart of the Scorpion. Antares is a stargate portal and one of the four royal stars, watcher of the West. According to Bernadette Brady's book on *The Fixed Stars*, all four of the royal stars (including Regulus, Aldebaran, and Fomalhaut) are linked with their own unique teachings, special powers and successes when we are able to meet their challenges as part of the heroic journey of life. Antares is also associated with archangel Uriel guardian of the mysteries of peace and inspiration. In Hebrew Uriel means "Flame of God" or "Fire of God" and personifies the divine flame that originates from universal mind. This is the fire of creation as spirit descends into density and form. Uriel as Patron of Ecology is also described as: "... the keeper of the mysteries which are deep within the planet, underground and in the hidden depths of the living world." [[Archangel Uriel, Patron of Ecology](#)]

Feb 22, Wednesday. Moon conjuncts Pluto (26 Sag) urging us to eliminate, cleanse and purify using the sword of TRUTH to cut through all the illusions and misconceptions that bind us to limited realities.

Feb 23, Thursday. Moon moves into Capricorn crossing the intersection of the ecliptic (path the planets follow) and the Milky Way where the December Solstice Sun rises near Galactic Center heralding the [Turning of the Ages](#). This Center of our Galaxy is a huge black hole that acts as a divine transmitter and receiver. The pure energy pouring forth from here may be utilized in our conscious co-creative process to amplify and transmit new programs of operation and awareness directly to the DNA. Once each month the Moon passes by here illuminating the ancient and future mysteries available now when we are open to receive them

Feb 24, Friday. The waning Moon conjuncts Venus (24 Capricorn) in the early morning sky marking the descent of the Goddess through the first gate into the underworld where she relinquishes her crown symbolizing her connection to spirit. Another way to say this is the Goddess (Inanna/Ishtar etc.) is being stripped of all the

ways she no longer has a healthy connection to the divine. The next few months is a shamanic peeling away of old ways of being in the Capricorn domain that have to do with over responsibility for whatever is going on in our immediate life - releasing the need to control, to fix, to change, to make it be something other than what it IS in the moment - especially when whatever is going on is about others. Healthy and Wise Capricorn surrenders the *fix it* addiction in favor of trusting the divine order of things and acting from there.

Feb 25, Saturday. The waxing Moon is moving into Aquarius bringing through the mysteries of the cosmic revolutionary experimenting with innovative ideas intended to accelerate growth and consciousness. It might be helpful to access new territory by questioning the rules and societal structures that are limiting and restrictive to creative expression, courageously inviting the changes that open the doors to new expansive and exciting experiences. In another words, this is the primary energy leading the way in thinking outside the box.

Feb 26, Sunday. The Aquarius Moon conjuncts Neptune later today illuminating our shifting inner assemblage point. If our beliefs are assembled around limited outmoded views then this can be an uncomfortable time. Neptune archetypally operates in formless form or the field of all possibilities where dreams originate and ideas shapeshift in and out of our consciousness unless we are quick enough to formulate them into action, with an intent to ground these ideas and vision into a concrete expression. It might be helpful to note what is still being dreamed and what is ready to find reality through action?

Feb 27, Monday. Tonight is the exact **Pisces New Moon (9 Pisces)** point in close conjunction with Uranus. The Moon enters Pisces this morning energizing the mysteries of the compassionate heart, reminding us to not only have compassion for others but especially to have compassion for our own challenges and wounds, loving and accepting who we are even though we may not feel we are perfect or acceptable in some way. Expect the unexpected today in ways that will may dramatically shift your perceptual reality.

Feb 28, Tuesday. Still in the Pisces New Moon window the tiny crescent Moon catches up to Mercury possibly visible in the sky shortly after Sunset energizing new messages that inspire our ability to dream the dream onward...

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Feb 1-5, 2006 Phoenix, Arizona Chart Script and Archetypes Track with Carolyn Brent and Lauren Jubelirer. This is the BEGINNING required class for certification in the Shamanic Astrology Mystery School. You will learn how to do powerful and effective astrological counseling and coaching as well as strengthen your own personal development. This class is designed to support different learning styles using drama, movement, astrological mandala art, journeying, and small group interaction to deepen our relationship and understanding of these mysteries in relationship to ourselves and to doing chart

readings. To register contact [Carolyn Brent](#) at 520-744-6923. [Full Details](#) (you will have to scroll up the page to see the details) [Early Registration Recommended to receive preparation Materials.](#)

March 4-8, 2006 Tucson, Arizona Note Date Change to capture 19 year Lunar Standstill rise of Moon on Mar 7. **Advanced Chart Analysis Training With Special Emphasis on The 19-Year Lunar Standstill.** The main requirement for this class is you must have completed at least one beginning Chart Analysis Intensive or talk with Daniel or Carolyn for exceptions. This is a chance to bring charts and ask questions. [Full Details](#)

Tucson Astrologer's Guild Sky Bridge Conference March 10 and 11, 2006 with Guest Speaker Daniel Giamario. This symposium includes a variety of topics such as archeo-astronomy, history, psychology, science, and spirit. It begins Friday, March 10th at 7:30 pm; with Shamanic Astrologer Daniel Giamario talking about bringing the sacred back to astronomy and the sky back to astrology plus the special meaning of the 2006 lunar standstill. Saturday classes and/or discussions are from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm, featuring Ken Hopkins (from ASA in Phoenix) speaking on astrology in relationships and sports. Plus several distinguished members are speaking on the history of astrology, electional astrology and more. That night we end with a night sky event at Gael Chilson's. Stay tuned for schedules and class descriptions via the TAG website - www.tucsonastrologersguild.org or call Gael at 625-5762.

April 05 - 09, 2006 Yachats, Oregon Mandala Of Wholeness Shamanic Breathwork and Shamanic Astrology Workshop with Daniel Giamario and Kate McKee at Oregon House - a beautiful Oceanside resort. Call Daniel 503-892-6464 or Kate 503-892-1887 for details.

Apr 19 -23, 2006 Sedona, Arizona. Note Location and Date Change. Chart Analysis Intensive - Relationship and the Sacred Marriage with Daniel Giamario and Carolyn Brent. This in depth intensive teaches the most important tools of Shamanic Astrology and is a required course for those in the Shamanic Astrology Apprenticeship program. To register contact [Carolyn Brent](#) at 520-744-6923 or [Daniel Giamario](#) at 503-892-6464. [Details](#)

Note Date Change to capture 19 year Lunar Standstill set of Moon on May 1...Apr 29 to May 3, 2006 Southwest New Mexico at Faywood Hot Springs between Silver City and Deming, New Mexico Beltane Cross-Quarter Celebration Night Sky Track with Daniel Giamario, Carolyn Brent and Shamanic Astrology Staff. Contact Carolyn (520) 744-6923 or email [Carolyn Brent](#) or [Daniel](#). Counts as credit for Night Sky Track of Shamanic Astrology Certification Program. [Details](#)