

December 2001 Celestial Timings

By Carolyn Brent

"Our zeitgeist whispers that the planet is alive;
that spirituality is based far more in the body and the earth
than we've conceived in centuries;
and that to sustain ourselves,
we must live more simply, more cooperatively,
and bend our energy technologies to tap directly Sun's power.

Sun Stories

*Tales from Around the World to
Illuminate the Days and Nights of Our Lives*

by Carolyn McVickar Edwards

Zeitgeist refers to the spirit of the times we are living. 2001 has pushed us beyond our edges into new territory. This has been a time of awakening even more to the shadowed elements of fear, separation and religious fundamentalism that reaches throughout our global experience. This month is a good time to ask; what in our personal and collective beliefs are ready to die, and what is seeking birth through us at this time?

The Sun at Solstice reaches an ending or death, dying to the previous yearly cycle. In every death or ending of a cycle, there is also a birth and a new cycle begins, a new year is born. In the bigger picture, we are also ending a Great Year that has almost lasted 26,000 years and we are witness to a new beginning, an entirely new 26,000 year cycle. This ending and beginning of a Great Year occurs over many years, and it is the yearly Winter Solstice during the transition that helps us remember the importance of endings and dying to the old, while also experiencing new beginnings and being reborn anew.

Attuning to the yearly cycle of the Sun, the mysteries of the pure life force it represents, the magic and power of the light and illumination the Sun provides, is one way to consciously participate with these changing times. Without the Sun we would not have life on this planet as we know it. The Sun is essential to our existence and has much to teach us about life. The Winter Solstice Sun is currently aligned with the intersection of the Milky Way (the plane of the Galaxy) and the Ecliptic (the path the planets travel) marking the [Turning of the Ages](#). This is calling our attention to the importance of the three day Solstice or Stand Still of the Sun at its yearly threshold marking the end and beginning of a year. Now more than ever this timing marks an in-between the worlds place, in-between the old and the new, what is dying and what is birthing. What we focus our attention, thoughts, feelings and awareness on now is becoming our reality as this new cycle continues to emerge.

Energy follows thought and when we are passionate, or feeling strongly, about what we are thinking the energy flows much faster and stronger towards the fulfillment of those feelings and thoughts. This is how we are co-creating our reality. If our thoughts and feelings are predominantly fearful then our reality is created around the manifestation of those fears. Thus, it is vital that we consciously focus our thoughts and feelings on what we truly desire to experience. Participating in joyous celebrations of life that create feelings of loving community, safety, cooperation and harmony powerfully support the vision of creating Heaven on Earth. Taking time to participate in activities that support the feelings of joy each day and then from the joyous feeling visioning, praying and intending our lives strengthens and quickens the manifestation through the power of our feelings and thoughts. For some this may be hiking, dancing, listening to inspiring music, being in nature, or with animals, gardening, painting, singing, and so on. It doesn't matter what the activity is, it doesn't even have to be the same activity everyday. The point is to create an opportunity to truly feel joy and gratitude (daily if possible) and then focus on envisioning and intending your reality. The power of the joyous feelings speeds up the manifestation process and helps to counteract the fears and doubts that inevitably surface. That's why a daily practice of creating the feeling of joy before focusing on your desired reality is so powerful. The fears and doubts lose their potency when we are creating space for really feeling joy and gratitude.

We are at a choice point, individually and collectively. The important thing to remember is we are the co-creators of this new 26,000 year cycle and it is entirely up to us to be conscious of the choices we are making now. Choosing to create joyous experiences for the purpose of creating a loving peaceful world is one highly effective way to participate with the current times.

Week of Nov 30 - 6 Once each year the [Full Moon](#) occurs in Gemini bringing to light the more playful, humorous, fun side of life. This is a time for experiencing fruition or fulfillment of things already in motion through networking and socializing. With Gemini energy it often happens in ways you least expect as the trickster energy of Gemini loves to trick us into new ways of thinking and experiencing life.

Dec 1, Saturday. We begin the month with Sun conjunct the fixed star Antares, the heart of the Scorpion. Chiron, Pluto and Mars have helped to bring the energies of Antares more strongly into our awareness over the past couple of years. December 30, 1999 [Chiron and Pluto](#) came together within less than 2 degrees of Antares heralding another potent symbol of a shamanic planetary initiation for the purpose of experiencing and living wholeness in a new exciting way. When the Sun is traveling with Antares it cannot be seen with our eyes, because of the Sun's brilliance. However, we can feel and tap into Antares' mysteries with our hearts. According to the book *Starlight Elixirs and Cosmic Vibrational Healing* by Michael Smulkis and Fred Rubinfeld <http://hilarion.com/stars.html> "Antares influences the place just before choice and does so in a beautiful way. If you attune to this in anyway, asking with love in your heart for the higher path to be shown, so it will be. The opportunities for this may come forth in ways that were perhaps unexpected."

Dec 2, Sunday. Venus moves into Sagittarius today where it remains until December 25. These are the mysteries of the questing amazon adventurer who boldly goes where no one has gone before in search of truth, meaning and expansion of the self to the widest possible expression. Remembering Venus began her current journey last April in the archetypal realm of Aries, the Amazon Warrior/Adventurer, it is interesting to note that Venus is disappearing from the morning sky any day now and will travel with the Sun for at least 60 days remaining invisible, meaning its not visible in either the morning or evening sky. This equates to an underworld initiation for Venus where she dies to who she was and is being reborn again in late February as described in the myth of Inanna. It is important to remember the underworld is simply an otherworldly experience or initiation designed to take one beyond their ordinary experience. This underworld (or otherworld) quest includes discovering new possibilities, new truths, and new ways of experiencing the realm of spirit. Now is a good time to notice if you feel inspired by new information, new insights, and new ideas, and if you are open to seeking greater meaning and understanding?

Dec 3, Monday. The waning Cancer Moon conjuncts Jupiter in the evening sky emphasizing the importance

of self-care remembering that to sustain healthy care for others, we must first nourish and sustain ourselves through conscious self-care.

Sun (12 Sagittarius) reaches opposition to retrograde Saturn (12 Gemini) marking the center point of Saturn's retrograde cycle. The outer planets are always retrograde when they oppose the Sun and this is a significant marker in any outer planet cycle. It is a good time to notice what is shifting and changing in your own reality. Those with planets in mutable signs near these degrees will feel this more personally. What in your life is no longer operating in a supportive effective, and efficient manner? Are you ready to let it go, so something new can come in that is supportive, effective, and easy to structure into your reality?

Dec 4, Tuesday. Sun and Mercury meet today (13 Sagittarius) still in close opposition to Saturn (12 Gemini). The trickster magician is illuminated in the Sag mysteries for the purpose of expanding into new territory. Unexpected messages designed to expand our awareness are possible, especially when we are open to receive them. Remember to have fun and not to take anything too seriously!

***December 4th "National Day Of Reconciliation"**
On November 14 (Scorpio New Moon), the House of Representatives and the United States Senate passed an unprecedented concurrent resolution establishing a "National Day of Reconciliation," to take place Tuesday, December 4, 2001. On that day, our nation and elected representatives will pause to seek God's blessings in prayers for unity, forgiveness, reconciliation and charity. We urge Presidential Prayer Team members to tell their friends and colleagues, so that all of America will rightly honor this important event in the history of our nation, along with both houses of Congress. For more info check out these URL's. <http://www.presidentialprayerteam.org>. Updates@presidentialprayerteam.org

Dec 5, Wednesday. Moon entered Leo yesterday illuminating the mysteries of self-love, self-approval, and self-acceptance. Consciously connecting with our inner heart flame, the flame of pure love and acceptance, helps us to remember the pure essence and truth of who we are and why we are here.

Dec 6, Thursday. Mercury and Pluto (15 Sag) join and then Sun catches up to Pluto today. Mercury is the communication master and Pluto is the master of the realms of intense transformation. The Sun's brilliant light provides illumination and fuel for the process. These energies may lend themselves, for a few days before and after today, to intense inner and outer communication. If you are involved in any process that demands deep focused concentration, deep insightful thought, and the ability to access resources of knowledge and information these are highly charged supportive energies.

Week of Dec 7-13 This week marks the [last quarter phase of the Moon](#) in Virgo. This phase of the journey in the Hero or Heroine's quest is the crossing of the return threshold back into the world they left before the journey began. They are bringing with them the gifts and boons gained during the journey. This is the time of the final harvest, where the plant begins its death process, preparing the seeds for the next cycle. As the Moon continues to wane the completion phase of the integration process of the current journey continues and we begin to look at what seeds to plant in the next monthly cycle beginning with the next New Moon Dec 14, which is also an Annular Solar Eclipse. As we approach Winter Solstice we know this is the phase or season of the year to consciously prepare the seeds for the next yearly cycle.

Dec 7, Friday. The exact half full Moon (16 Virgo) lines up in a close square to Pluto (15 Sag), Sun (16 Sag), Mercury (18 Sag) and Saturn (11 Gemini). This return threshold crossing brings with it the gifts of Pluto, Mercury and Saturn as discussed in yesterday's timings intensifying the energies of concentrated focus and deep insightful thinking, qualities that are often linked with archetypal Virgo, who is attuned to the natural cycles and patterns of life.

Dec 8, Saturday. Mars is moving into Pisces where it remains until January 18. Mars in Pisces is the strength of the masculine principle expressing through loving compassion and sacred selfless service to the divine in all life. This often manifests as a strong drive for a spiritual path. Mars in Pisces has the ability to be highly intuitive and empathic when clear and balanced. It also can show up as the victim when emotions are repressed or denied. Mars in Pisces is not generally honored as a valid masculine principle and yet it is the aspect of the masculine that desires to create a safe space for everyone to show up as they truly are. This comes from the compassionate caring of the healthy Pisces archetype.

Dec 9, Sunday. The waxing Moon moved in Libra yesterday calling attention to the mysteries of conscious equal partnership in all our relationships. This is the archetype of the diplomat who is willing to listen to all sides, to all the parts and threads of the tapestry, weaving together an understanding designed to support the needs of all the parts. Thus the truth of all parts is acknowledged and honored and then we naturally live in right relationship, peace, harmony, and balance with all life.

Dec 10, Monday. Venus (10 Sag) opposes Saturn (10 Gemini) and Venus is aligned with Antares while Saturn is aligned with Aldebaran creating yet another activation of this stargate axis. Venus the Goddess of Love aligns with the dragon's heart suggesting the

importance and power of keeping our heart's open in love and understanding. Saturn, the wisdom keeper, who wisely adjusts to the changing needs of the time, is aligned with the eye of the Bull, the portal to the power of the mind and how our thoughts structure our reality. The two basic elements most responsible for co-creating our reality, what we think and what we feel, are highlighted by these stars. Aligning our feelings and thoughts with passion and clarity, clearly seeing and declaring loving peace fulfilled in our world and life experience, draws forth this manifest reality from the portal of possibility into concrete structure and form.

Dec 11, Tuesday. The waning Moon slipped into Scorpio yesterday transmitting the mysteries of passionate aliveness through the willingness to live on the edges and beyond. William Irwin Thompson speaks of this beautifully in his book *The Time Falling Bodies Take To Light* as quoted in the June, 2001 Timings "*Edges are important* because they define a limitation in order to deliver us from it. When we come to an edge we come to a frontier that tells us that we are now about to become more than we have been before. As long as one operates in the middle of things, one can never really know the nature of the medium in which one moves."

It is also interesting to note that Chiron, the Shamanic Healer has reached the edge of its journey with the Sagittarian mysteries and moves into Capricorn later today, leaving the company of Venus (12 Sag), Pluto (15 Sag), Sun (20 Sag), Mercury (24 Sag) and South Node (27 Sag...still aligned with Galactic Center). Chiron is the first of five crossings of this point this month, including the Moon, Mercury, Sun and Venus. (See Dec 25 for details). Chiron remains in Capricorn until Dec 5, 2005 supporting the shamanic healing process around old limiting structures and limiting belief systems that have caused deep wounds in the collective psyche of humanity. Zero Capricorn is also the Winter Solstice point attuning us to the current [Turning of the Ages](#). (See Dec 21)

Dec 12, Wednesday. The Moon slips into Sagittarius late today and over the next couple of days meets with Venus (13 Sag), Pluto (15 Sag), Sun (21 Sag), Mercury (25 Sag) and South Node (27 Sag). The Moon transmits the ancient lineage of the archetype it is traveling through. This means the Moon is transmitting the mysteries of a different archetype every two and ½ days. On Dec 14 we will experience a New Moon Annular Solar eclipse. The New Moon eclipse energies are activated by the Moon's entry into Sagittarius today, calling our attention to the mysteries of the questing amazon adventurer in search of ever expanding levels of truth, and meaning, while discovering new ways of experiencing the realm of spirit. This year of truth, brought to full awareness on

Sept 11 just days before the ending of a 6,000 year timeline in the great pyramid many were calling the [Day of Truth](#) is finding further expression this month through the Sagittarius archetype dedicated to the quest for truth, and the Annular Solar Eclipse exact on Dec 14. What exactly is Truth? How has the truth been shifting and changing for us personally and collectively in this year of alchemical transformation? Are we living the truth of our being more fully now than a year ago, or even a few months, or days ago? How can we live the fullness of our truth in every moment for the greatest good of all life?

"Prayer for Freedom" On 12-12-01 (Doorway to Freedom) at 12:12 pm EST. All people are invited to participate in this prayer at 12:12 pm EST, 11:12 CST, 10:12 MST, 9:12 PST or anytime on 12-12-01. The Doorway to Heaven's Prayer Receiving Site will be open all day. The way to PERMANENT PEACE is through FREEDOM - Freedom from Economic Struggles, Freedom from Shame, Grief, Guilt, Separation and many more forms of Pain. This is especially true for changes coming in the economy in the very near future. It will be called a Miracle. We have the opportunity to experience JOY unlike we have ever seen and true FREEDOM.

Dec 13, Thursday. The Moon conjuncts Venus (14Sag46) and Pluto (15Sag22) late today. Venus and Pluto are near their exact conjunction, happening tomorrow, adding potency to this New Moon window as Venus joins with Grandmother Moon in her underworld initiation. Poised on the edge of a South Node New Moon eclipse Pluto is calling out even deeper shadows from the depths of our personal and collective fears, often showing up in all the ways we don't fully trust spirit to support us. For example, there are many limiting religious rules and beliefs that control our life experience through the fear of some horrible punishment now or in the afterlife. This often affects our lives even if we do not personally subscribe to these beliefs as recent world events have demonstrated. It is time to consciously embrace these shadowed elements releasing them to the cauldron of accelerated alchemical change. We may be called upon to let go of old hurts and old hatreds that perpetuate feelings around survival and separation. Many of the old ways no longer work. It is time to step beyond the edges of these experiences and try out new territory based in the spirit of cooperation and mutual respect for all races and all nations. When we are actively sharing our resources and support for one another there is plenty for everyone. No one will go with out or have to suffer. It is through cooperating and caring for one another that we will fulfill the Whirling Rainbow prophecy of peace and plenty for all people and all nations. (See Nov, 2001 Timings) Consciously energizing and envisioning this reality through joyous celebration now accelerates the manifestation of this experience in our hearts and minds.

[Meteor Showers](#) as described by Sky and Telescope

The complete absence of moonlight augurs well for the Geminid meteors, which are due to peak on Thursday night, **December 13 and 14**. This shower sometimes surpasses even the Perseids of August. As many as 75 slow, graceful Geminids might be seen per hour under ideal conditions. They tend to be bright and appear yellow. Rates increase steadily for several days before maximum, then drop off quickly. A productive Geminid watch can begin as early as 10 p.m. local time, because the shower's radiant (near Castor) is already fairly high in the sky by then. If you live in the Northern Hemisphere, bundle up warmly!

Week of Dec 14-21 This Sagittarius [New Moon](#) Eclipse is a potent ending and beginning cycle. New Moon's are excellent timings for seeding or reseeded our personal and collective intent. If you feel aligned with this timing it may just be another perfect time for consciously intending to live the pure TRUTH of your being in every moment.

Dec 14, Friday. New Moon Annular Solar Eclipse (23Sag). This eclipse has different levels of visibility in Northwest South America, Central America, the United States, and Western and Southern Canada. It begins around 11 am MST, the center point is 1:47 pm MST and it ends about three hours later around 4:40 pm MST. For more details about visibility see **Special Sky Events** on The Sky and Telescope Web Site <http://www.skypub.com/sights/skyevents/0112skyevents.shtml>

This New Moon Annular Eclipse is an opportunity to again deepen our commitment to the power and magic of living the truth of our being in love and joy for the greatest good of all life here and now. (Also see Dec 13)

Dec 15, Saturday. Moon and Mercury cross the zero Capricorn point today, both joining with Chiron for a triple planetary activation of the [triple intersection of the Winter Solstice, Milky Way and the ecliptic](#). Mercury remains in Capricorn until January 3, 2002, Chiron is here until Dec 5, 2005. Zero Capricorn, a.k.a. the Winter Solstice marker, is a seed point or a choice point, marking the annual completion and renewal of the Sun's yearly cycle. Zero Capricorn then is a place in-between realities, in-between what was and what is becoming, in-between what is known and what is yet to be known, in-between what is ending and what is beginning. It is a place outside our fixed experience where all possible worlds exist and when we are conscious with this center point we can choose the new beginning, the new time-line, the new experience from a place of conscious choice at the center of the great mystery. Still in the embrace of the New Moon Eclipse window this is a good timing for taking steps towards completing this year, while continuing to energize the visions and dreams for the coming year, dying to what is ready to go and bringing forth what is seeking birth.

Dec 16, Sunday. Moon in Capricorn opposite Jupiter in Cancer expands the opportunity to put things in order and prepare for the New Year, and the new energies set in motion at the New Moon Eclipse Dec 14.

Dec 17, Monday. The Moon moves into the highly unpredictable and revolutionary domain of the Aquarius mysteries where change is noted as a great and powerful ally for living the freedom of our true essence.

Dec 18, Tuesday. The Sun and South Node (27 Sag) are aligned at the Galactic Gateway. The Sun is the doorway and the South Node provides access to the ancient wisdom of the past as it expresses through the center of our Galaxy. The symbol of the center is the still point within, where all possibilities exist and where all the dreams of our future emerge. The Galactic Gateway is an access point into the dream weavers realm. It is the dreaming place, where we dream the dream and the dream dreams us. When we act as conscious dreamers we become the dream weavers, weaving the magic of our dreams into manifest reality.

Dec 19, Wednesday. The moon conjuncts Uranus before slipping into Pisces late today or early tomorrow morning. These energies lend themselves to the Sun and South Node connection still underway. All the ancient dreams we have ever dreamed are more readily accessible at this time as we move toward the Winter Solstice seed point of the New Year. All that has ever been and the potential of all that will ever be is contained within the seed. It is up to us to dream the dreams that define what expressions the seeds bring forth.

Dec 20, Thursday. Today marks the 5th [Moon/Mars](#) (9 Pisces) conjunction since Mars stationed direct in July. Mars began its current quest June, 2001 in the sign of Sagittarius. This 2 year 2 month Mars journey is focused on the quest for the sword of TRUTH. The sword that cuts through all the illusions and misconceptions that bind us to limited realities and frees us to live our true heart's desire. Moon and Mars together in Pisces is another access point into the realm of all possibilities where all the dreams already exist if we are willing to call them forth with passion and clarity.

Dec 21, Friday. 12:22 am MST, 11:22 am PST, 1:22 CST and 2:22 EST marks the December Solstice or [Winter Solstice](#) in the Northern Hemisphere occurs when the Sun crosses zero degrees Capricorn. We are living in a time when the Winter Solstice is not only seeding a new yearly seasonal cycle, but is also linked to a much larger [26,000 year cycle](#). This also equates to the New Moon point of the year, or the darkest phase of the Moon's cycle, as this is the darkest phase of the yearly cycle featuring the longest night. What

we are energizing in our hearts, thoughts, prayers, celebrations and ceremonies is what we are seeding for the coming yearly cycle. This is a three day window (yesterday, today and tomorrow) as the Sun stands still and rises and for three days at the same alignment on the horizon before beginning its northerly journey from the perspective of the Northern Hemisphere.

The following link has wonderful information about the Solstice astronomy, history, and divination, plus cool pictures of ancient sites built to capture an experience of the magic of the Solstice Sun. <http://www.candlegrove.com/solstice.html#open>

The week of Dec 22 to Dec 30 The Aries [First Quarter Moon](#) (01 Aries) finds the Moon very near the March Equinox point. This Moon phase connects with the yearly phase of the Spring Equinox, the balance of day and night, the balance of light and dark. This is the most visible and rapid growth phase of the Moon, crossing the threshold that accelerates whatever process is already in motion. This is the best time of the month to put ideas and plans into action. The Moon continues to increase in light until the Cancer Full Moon Lunar Eclipse on Dec 30.

Dec 22, Saturday. Still well within the Solstice window the Aries [First Quarter Moon](#) is adding its wild, pioneering, and inspired rapid growth energies to this timing. Noting that we are also in the eclipse cauldron from the New Moon Annular Eclipse Dec 14 to the Full Moon Lunar Eclipse Dec 30 this First Quarter Moon is marking the mid point between the eclipses. The best way to approach this potent timing is to tune into your own inner sense of what is seeking understanding and expression through you.

Dec 23, Sunday. Late last night or early this morning the Sun and Chiron (1 Capricorn) met in the Sky still within the Solstice window. The crossing of Chiron through this area of the sky happens once every 50 years. Tracking the last 200 years Chiron crossed zero Capricorn three times in 1803, on Feb 15, June 8, and Nov 16. And three times in 1851 on Jan 29, Jun 18, and Oct 29. And three times in 1901, Jan 13, Aug 8, Oct 1. And three times in 1951 on Feb 9, Jun 3, and Nov 9. In 2001 Chiron crosses zero Capricorn only once on Dec 11, because Chiron stations direct in September of 2002 around 3 Capricorn.

My ephemeris only went back to 1800 for Chiron so we know it has been over 200 years since the Sun and Chiron have linked so near the Winter Solstice point. This is worth paying attention to as this timing seems so perfectly aligned with all the other factors already at play. The Sun is illuminating and opening a doorway into the mysteries of the Winter Solstice currently aligned with the intersection of the Milky Way and the Ecliptic. It is also joining with Chiron whose energy represents the Shamanic Healer

at this highly critical choice point at the [Turning of the Ages](#). What deep wounds of the past cycle are seeking healing? This is important because it is through the magic of Chiron where the wounds become the medicine or wisdom that support conscious co-creation of the new cycle. This rare and potent opportunity is happening in the in-between of what is ending and what is beginning. This in-between space is the realm of shamanic power and initiation, calling us to pay attention to what is seeking healing, integration, and expression.

Dec 24, Monday. Waxing Moon moves into Taurus late today. The Taurus mysteries remind us of the importance of the art of receiving the fullness of life and the abundance around us each day, including the abundance of love, joy, pleasure, appreciation and gratitude. Appreciating and fully receiving the gifts of life magnifies and attracts more of these gifts to us. This is a great time to not only be aware of the art of giving gifts of love etc. but also the art of receiving and enjoying, while also taking time to express our gratitude for these abundant gifts.

Dec 25, Tuesday. Venus enters Capricorn crossing the Winter Solstice marker at the intersection point of the Milky Way Galaxy and the ecliptic (path the planets travel) that is marking the current [Turning of the Ages](#). This is the fifth activation of this point this month. Chiron crossed Dec 11, the Moon and Mercury crossed here on Dec 15 and the Sun crossed on Dec 21. As Venus crosses this area of the sky she is accessing ancient feminine wisdom intended to wisely serve the New Year's solstice choice point we have made individually and collectively.

Dec 26, Wednesday. Now it is Venus' turn to conjunct Chiron (1Capricorn35). (See Dec 23) Chiron and Venus are still within a degree and a half of the exact Solstice window. This fits perfectly with the amazing unfolding grand cosmic plan. Here is another opportunity to experience shamanic healing particularly of the feminine principle at its core, at the place of endings and beginnings, at the center point, at the seed point where all that's been and all that's yet to be is known. It is up to us to choose how to engage this timing.

Dec 27, Thursday. Moon in Gemini occults retrograde Saturn (9 Gemini) late tonight 11:54 PM PST or early tomorrow morning 12:54 AM MST, be sure to adjust for your time zone. This occultation is visible in Hawaii, south Canada, the USA and Central America. It marks the 8th Moon Saturn occultation this year since June. These occultations of Saturn continue one a month through May of next year but not all of them will be visible to us. Retrograde Saturn is zodiacally aligned with the fixed star Aldebaran, the eye of the Bull. The eye is a symbol for a portal or gateway linked to the

wisdom of the mind and how our thoughts structure our reality. One question we might ask is, what is the ancient wisdom of these mysteries as they apply now and what are the insights and inspirations that are seeking expression through us for the purpose of co-creating Heaven on Earth?

Dec 28, Friday. As we approach the end of this Calendar year of intense alchemical change, one of the elements worth remembering is the current crossing of Neptune (7 Aquarius) through the area of the sky where planet Earth received the impact of a Blue Star Super Nova in 1987. [Moirra Timms](#) discussed this event in her book *Beyond Prophecies and Predictions* explaining that it was the brightest supernova in four centuries, two hundred million times brighter than our Sun at its peak brilliance, and it was an event that was reported on Front Page news all over the world. Neptune's transit here accesses the light seeds of the new visions and dreams held within amniotic fluids (ruled by Neptune) of our super conscious experience where they have been gestating and preparing for their new birth for quite some time. Consciously intending to be conscious with these energies helps us to dream the dream onward. This article provides further details [Blue Star Activation and The Virgo New Moon Day of Truth September 17, 2001](#). Adding to this imagery, (also found in greater detail in the above article), which some may find useful in meditation or other co-creative processes, is the Sabian Symbol for 7 degrees Aquarius *A Child Is Seen Being Born Out Of An Egg*. The interpretation is "the emergence of new mutations according to the great rhythms of the cosmos".

Dec 29, Saturday. The nearly Full Moon enters Cancer crossing the Summer Solstice point aligned at the opposite end of the Milky Way looking out into space away from our Galaxy, sometimes referred to as Galactic Anticenter. The Lunar Eclipse taking place tomorrow asks us to pay attention to the energies being activated particularly in the Cancer mysteries. These Mysteries include the quest for the truth of how to best self-nurture in loving balance and then from that place responsibly nurturing others. This inner quest may require extra amounts of physical rest from the demands of everyday life. Rest as much as needed whenever possible and pay attention to the inner guidance seeking expression through you at this time. (See Dec 31)

Dec 30, Sunday. Not only do we have a Full Moon Penumbral Eclipse in Cancer (9 Cancer), but the Moon will also occult retrograde Jupiter (11 Cancer) further accelerating, expanding, and magnifying the potency of this timing. The following URL's give further information about these significant celestial events. <http://www.skypub.com/sights/eclipses/eclipses.shtml> <http://www.skypub.com/sights/occultations/occultation>

[s.shtml](#) Today's eclipse occurs near the North Node of the Moon accelerating humanity towards their divine destiny while also drawing on the ancient wisdom of the Cancer Mysteries that the Moon is transmitting at this time. It is also interesting to note that this event is occurring near three fixed stars Mebsuta, Alzirr and Al Hena in the constellation of the Twins. [See the article on the difference between the signs and constellations](#)

Information I located on [the fixed star site](#) gives this info on these stars. Mebsuta: A double star, 3.4 and 9.5 magnitude, brilliant white and cerulean blue, on the outstretched right leg of the Twin Castor in [Gemini](#). *Mebsuta* is from *Al Mabsutah* (1), "the Outstretched" (Paw), from its marking the extended paw of the early Arabic Lion, but now it is on the hem of Castor's tunic [on his right calf below the right knee]. The history of Alzirr locates this star on the right foot of the Eastern Twin ([Pollux](#)) in [Gemini](#). *Alzirr* is from Arabic *Al Zirr*, the "Button". Al Hena marks the left foot of Pollux and is considered a star that has to do with peaceful negotiations and solutions (Eric Morse The Living Stars).

The Lunar eclipse in Cancer near these fixed stars suggests it is time to embrace peaceful solutions through the spirit of cooperation and caring. According to Edith Hamilton's book [Mythology](#) Castor and Pollux were inseparable twin brothers and were "represented as riding splendid snow white horses." They are also known for their participation in the quest for the golden fleece. They were said to live half their time on Earth and half their time in "the golden homes of heaven." This imagery inspires our imagination around the possibility of truly living Heaven on Earth, rather than continuing to live in the duality of *either or* we can consciously energize the reality of *both and more*.

Dec 31, Monday. Sun (11 Capricorn) opposes retrograde Jupiter (11 Cancer) similar to a Full Moon effect. This marks the center point of the Jupiter Retrograde and falls within the window of the Lunar Eclipse and the Lunar Occultation of Jupiter yesterday. The inner journey around the expansion of the mysteries of self-care and balancing that reality with the care of others may reach an additional illumination point today. Another way to look at how the Cancer mysteries can operate in a healthy way is through the spirit of cooperation and community. There is a Star Trek Voyager episode that brilliantly demonstrates the powerful potential of enacting caring cooperation among different races and even species of intelligent life. The story begins when Voyager is unwillingly pulled into a Void, where it turns out other ships have also been pulled. When Voyager first arrived they were instantly attacked and 90% of their food and supplies were immediately stolen by one of the other ships. They discovered the other ships already in the void survived by stealing supplies from the new ships as

they arrived in the void still confused and unsuspecting.

When Voyager's crew discovered they did not have enough power to leave the Void on their own they decided to form an alliance based on the principle of cooperation with the other ships. This meant they would all pool their resources and technologies and find a way out of the Void together. It was difficult to convince the other ships this was a good idea, but in the end all those who joined the alliance, shared their resources and technology escaped the void together. Those who refused to join the alliance and continue to steal from each other as there means of survival were ultimately left behind in the void.

This story demonstrates the power of cooperation and working in community to achieve what otherwise might seem impossible. Some of the ships had been in the void for five years, barely surviving through competing for the few supplies that wandered in through lost ships. Living from competition had created separation, distrust, hatred and loss of resources that could have benefited everyone had they chosen to live in cooperation with one another. When we live in cooperation with one another it unifies and strengthens the greater whole, moving us from mere survival into a whole new world of possibilities.

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With Jade Wah'oo Grigori, Caretaker of 'the Ways', an authentic Shamanic Lineage

Amalia Camateros, Shamanic Shakti Dance Master

Carolyn Brent, Shamanic Astrologer

John Dumas, Didgreedoo and flute musician

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Cherlynn Kittell, Shamanka Ways and Ceremonials

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<http://shamanic.net/events/mexicohealers.htm>

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