

July 2001 Celestial Timings

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In Special Memory of my beloved goddess sister/friend

Janis Garnet Kinkade

Born Jan 17, 1945 Died June 30, 2001

*...We hold these truths to be self evident
That all (people) are created equal and
(We) are endowed with certain unalienable rights,
That among these are:
Life, Liberty, and the pursuit of Happiness...
Declaration of Independence July, 4, 1776*

This month on July 4 marks the 225th birthday of the United States of America. This birthday celebration is happening just hours before the partial Lunar Eclipse on July 5, within the eclipse cauldron that has been bubbling a way since Summer Solstice on June 21. This indicates an acceleration of the original intent or “mission statement” of the United States of America as stated in the Declaration of Independence marking the birth of this country. Whether part of some scheme or divine plan it is interesting to note that America is an anagram for the “I Am Race”. Playing further with the significance and intent of the United States of America, founded on the belief all people have the right to pursue Life, Liberty and Happiness, and working with the anagram of the “I am Race” it is interesting to restate the name as the United States of the “I Am Race”, describing unity among all races, all peoples and all life.

As we engage this eclipse, regardless of where we live on the planet, it is beneficial to our global community to consciously anchor the intent of the opening lines of the Declaration of Independence for ourselves and our world. In essence this includes recognizing that we all are created equal, no matter where we live, and we all have the same rights as human beings. All life is sacred, no matter what how it looks. It is time for us to unite as a global community honoring and respecting each other and all life on our beloved Earth. The last line of the Declaration of Independence is profound, addressing the commitment of the signers. “And for the support of this Declaration, with a firm reliance on the Protection of Divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our Lives, our Fortunes, and our sacred Honor.” The strength of this commitment provided the pathway for the United States of America to gain its freedom and independence in spite of impossible odds. Now is the time to ask ourselves, what is our personal and collective commitment to living and experiencing peace, equality of rights, and freedom here and now?

Week Of June 27 – July 4 The Libra [First Quarter Moon](#) exact on June 27 represents the balance between light and dark. The first quarter phase is the most visible and rapid growth phase of the Moon. This is the best time of the month to put ideas and plans into action. The Moon continues to increase in light until the Capricorn Full Moon and partial Lunar Eclipse on July 5.

Jul 1, Sunday. July begins still within the eclipse cauldron window that began a little over a week ago on Summer Solstice and is culminating at the Lunar Eclipse on July 5. July also begins with Moon in Scorpio going Void of Course this afternoon lasting well into evening and late night depending on your time zone. This month and indeed this entire year is stretching us beyond our known edges, facilitating deep changes within and without providing us with opportunities for expansion and growth beyond our current experiences. Themes of reflection, relaxing, resting, and regeneration emerge over and over. It is even more than regenerating on a deep cellular level, it is literally rebuilding a new structure and a new form that hasn't yet fully been imagined. Thus, we must learn to trust our intuition and inner knowing to guide us as we navigate these uncharted waters.

Jul 2, Monday. Jupiter, (27 Gemini) and the ruler of Sagittarius is now opposite Galactic Center (27 Sag) with the Moon in Sag moving to align with galactic center tomorrow. This is facilitating a Full Moon illumination and expansion through Jupiter and whose quest for truth and meaning is supported by the Great Mystery associated with this area of the sky, and the Moon who transmits the ancient lineage and wisdom of these mysteries in the now. The Mayan's referred to Galactic Center as Hanub Ku, an energy vortex drawing upon vast creative forces primarily through our individual and collective dreaming where we are co-creating all the ages past, present, and future. We are the dreamers dreaming the new myths and the new ways of being and

experiencing our divinity. Conscious dreaming is highly important now as Jupiter is expanding what we are envisioning and dreaming.

Tonight you may want to check out how close the nearly Full Moon is to very bright retrograde Mars.

Jul 3, Tuesday. Moon in Sag zodiacally aligns with retrograde Mars (17 Sagittarius) in the wee hours of the morning. Tonight, the Moon is just beyond retrograde Mars yet it is still a potent opportunity to tune into what this council meeting of [Moon/Mars](#) has to offer. Connecting visually with the visible planets has a way of speaking to us beyond words, inspiring our hearts and our connection to the Great Mystery.

Jul 4, Wednesday. The Lunar eclipse window is intensifying today as the Moon moves into Capricorn and crosses the Winter Solstice point of zero Capricorn now aligned in the sky in a way that tells us we are at a major [Turning of the Ages](#). Many celestial events and other signs point to the turning of an entire 26,000 year cycle. The Lunar Eclipse tomorrow signifies another acceleration in this process of change already in motion.

It is interesting to note that July 4 is the date the Sun zodiacally aligns with the fixed star [Sirius](#) the brightest fixed star in our sky and thought to be the "the Sun of the Sun, in as much as the Sun spins around Sirius just like the Earth spins around the Sun". *The Pleiadian Agenda* by Barbara Hand Clow

Sirius (a.k.a. Sothis in ancient Egypt) played a major role in the health, wealth and fertility of the ancient Egyptians because the heliacal rise of Sirius marked the annual flooding of the Nile. The alignment of our Sun with Sirius is a significant yearly event that also marks the birthday of the United States of America. This annual timing draws upon the energies of the Sun's alignment with Sirius and helped to birth a new nation in 1776 based on the awakening awareness of the importance of equality and freedom. We can consciously draw upon these energies to further awaken our own awareness and abilities to more fully live and experience equality* and freedom.

*Note equality here does not mean sameness or equal in how it looks, but rather equal in value, that the differences are celebrated and held in equal value.

Week of Jul 5 - 13 This week features a [Full Moon](#) partial Lunar Eclipse. This partial lunar eclipse is visible in Antarctica, Australia, New Zealand, eastern

Asia (except the far north), Aleutians, Pacific Ocean (except in extreme east), and eastern Indian Ocean.

Eclipses open portals from the Great Above. These doorways are opportunities to consciously connect with what is hidden within in ourselves. During a Lunar Eclipse the Earth passes between the Sun and the Moon casting a shadow on the Moon. As these three great Celestial Bodies line up it is a timing that speaks to an accelerating process of change that may feel chaotic before any sense or order comes out of it. From the chaos, the potential to birth a new world, a new self, a new idea, a new vision etc. occurs.

Jul 5, Thursday. The partial eclipse of the Moon (13 Capricorn finds the Sun still in close zodiacal alignment with Sirius drawing upon these potent energies in this eclipse acceleration. [Sirius](#) is also connected to two other stars, [Procyon](#), in [Canis Minor](#) and [Betelquese](#), in [Orion](#). These stars represent a triangular gateway, the ancients referred to as Heaven's Gate (not the cult, and was thought to be the place where souls enter this dimensional reality). Even though at this time, Sirius and the other stars of this gateway are not visible in the sky due to their close proximity to the Sun, we have an opportunity to access their mysteries through the illuminating, activating energies of the Sun and the power of a Lunar Eclipse.

According to *The Pleiadian Agenda*, by Barbara Hand Clow, "Sirius holds the 6th Dimensional geometrical light body of Earth in form." The book further indicates that the ancient Egyptians came from Sirius teaching temple technology to earthlings for the express purpose of also teaching us about sacred geometry. She goes on to describe the Sirians as "magnificent feline gods" responsible for building the Great Pyramid and Sphinx as geometric portals to the stars. These portals have been primarily dormant for a long time. However, several major Celestial events over the past several years alert us to the reactivation of these portals. This eclipse is another indicator of this reactivation, speaking to the possibilities of reconnecting more consciously with the Sirian teachings of sacred geometry and the cellular experience of the sixth dimensional, geometric light body of the Earth. It is up to us to tune in and receive.

Jul 6, Friday. Still within the Full Moon Partial Lunar Eclipse window, Mercury (24 Gemini), now in full direct motion, is making its third trine to Uranus (24 Aquarius) since it entered Gemini in May. Building on the highly inspirational energy of the last trine that

happened in mid-June we once again have higher than average opportunities for unexpected insights and “aha’s”.

Jul 7, Saturday. Within the inspirational energy of the Mercury/Uranus trine that was exact yesterday, the Moon in Aquarius is joining up with intuitively inspiring Neptune, calling us to dream our greatest dreams of freedom and liberation. It is important to remember to dream these dreams and then to say NO to everything that does not support the fulfillment of our dreams, while also remembering to say YES! to all that does .

Jul 8, Sunday. Moon in Aquarius moves on to join up with Uranus today. The Moon moves about 12 to 15 degrees a day, completing one zodiacal circuit around the Earth in about 28 days, catching up with the Sun for a New Moon about every 29.5 days. This month’s themes of freedom and liberation are amplified by the Moon/Uranus conjunction, asking us to consider what revolutionary action brings the changes that allow for the freest expression of who we truly are?

Jul 9, Monday. For a couple of days each month the Moon in Pisces is providing us with an excellent timing for dreaming or imaging our most cherished dreams and feeling them as a manifest reality. We still have transiting Saturn (10 Gemini) trining Neptune (8 Aquarius) supporting the concrete manifestation of our dreams. These two planets remain in this inspiring dance until early next year. Archetypal Neptune and Pisces are similar energies representing the imaginal realms that inspire our visions and dreams. Saturn helps to support making decisions that ultimately manifest and fulfill personal dreams. Following inner intuition and instincts is key.

Jul 10, Tuesday. Mars retrograde (15 Sagittarius) is slowing down and preparing for its station direct on July 19. Mars is reaching a deepening of the spiritual quest intended to expand self-understanding, self-knowledge, and the meaning of life. Over the past two months Mars has retraced its path nearly reaching its closest reconnect with Antares, the bright red star marking the heart of the Scorpion. (See [Difference between Signs and Constellations](#))

Mars is the Roman equivalent to the Greek God Ares. The Romans revered Mars as the God of War, invincible and courageous, a true hero. The Greeks, however, held no regard for Ares who was seen as stubborn, argumentative, hateful, and devious. Interestingly, the name Antares refers to

anti-ares or the opposite of Ares. As Mars dances with Antares he has an opportunity to consciously encounter his opposite or other side. For those who experience Mars energy as warring, angry, stubborn and hateful then this transit is an opportunity to experience its opposite, the peaceful, fluid, loving aspects of the sacred warrior who only engages in battle when needing to protect the cosmic order of life. Whatever the opposite or shadowed aspect of Mars we carry within ourselves personally or collectively, we are now blessed (continuing over the next few weeks) with the opportunity to engage, embrace and integrate these aspects by inviting our inner Mars into conscious equal council within ourselves, allowing these aspects to bring us the gifts they have to offer.

Jul 11, Wednesday. Following up on the Mars theme from yesterday the Moon is entering Aries today further energizing archetypal Aries whose pure essence is the rugged individualist, the impetuous youth, the Warrior Amazon, courageous, and strongly committed to upholding truth and justice. Aries asks us not only about our commitment to ourselves and life, but what level of action are we willing to engage in order to support the fulfillment of that commitment?

Jul 12, Thursday. Jupiter and Mercury join together as they cross the threshold of zero Cancer that marks the Summer Solstice point. Jupiter (a.k.a. Zeus) is the father of Mercury (a.k.a. Hermes). Jupiter represents the energy of expansion and renewal of vision, Mercury is the transformational messenger bringing the messages that inspire and expand our awareness. These two energies conjoin at zero Cancer today where the Summer Solstice eclipse occurred on June 21, alerting us to pay attention to the various messages occurring around us now, expanding and energizing what was seeded at Summer Solstice.

Week of Jul 13-19 This week marks the [last quarter phase of the Moon](#) in Aries. This is a return threshold in the Moon’s journey marking a time of integration and preparation, consciously preparing the new seeds to plant in the next cycle beginning with the next New Moon (Jul 20) in Cancer.

Jul 13, Friday. The last quarter Moon (21 Aries) is zodiacally aligned with the fixed star [Baten Kaitos](#) in the constellation of Cetus, the whale. This constellation is named after the whale or sea serpent in Greek myth sent to swallow Andromeda for the

transgression of her mother Queen Cassiopeia, who boasted she was even more beautiful than the daughters of Nereus (a.k.a. Neptune), the Sea God. Baten Kaitos means “Belly of the Whale”, mythically describing an inevitable experience we all encounter at some point in life. This is described in such tales as *Jonah and the Whale*, and *Pinnocchio*. These are two excellent examples of heroes who find themselves literally in the “belly of the whale” having to face whatever it is they have been trying to avoid. In our reality this often occurs through circumstances and events beyond our control that take us beyond everyday ordinary reality and experiences. When we surrender to the process, magic happens, and it brings us to a new beneficial place.

Jul 14, Saturday. Moon enters Taurus in the early morning hours energizing the mysteries of sensual beauty, intimacy and pleasure as a creative artistic expression. Taurus reminds us to relax, slow down, and remember the art of receiving, savoring and enjoying each moment with gratitude for all the abundant gifts and beauty life has to offer. This is a good reminder during these intense times of transformation. Breathe, relax, enjoy and give thanks for all the gifts you already have, starting with the gift of life.

Jul 15, Sunday. Venus and Saturn (10 Gemini) meet on the eastern horizon in the early morning sky. This is worth checking out if you are up before sunrise. I experience Saturn as a feminine energy governing structure and form, governing matter as it comes into form, (matter/mother). Saturn also represents the wise and ancient ones who know the rules of how things work in third-dimensional reality. Venus representing the emerging feminine identity of the current time is meeting with the wise (and crazy) council of Saturn in the outrageous, coyote, heyokah energy of Gemini, that is encouraging us to remember that life is not what we think it is, because what we think and perceive is changing. The perspective and reality of a 7 year old is different than a 14 year, or a 21 year old, or a 50 year old and so on. Remembering Saturn represents matter and Gemini represents Mind, the following haiku from a book called *Crazy Wisdom*, by Wes Nescar demonstrates an aspect of crazy Gemini wisdom.
*What is Mind?
No matter. What is Matter?
Never Mind.*

Jul 16, Monday. Moon moves into Gemini, catching up to Venus and Saturn tomorrow. Moon’s

movement through Gemini further energizes the crazy wisdom now at play. Relax, have fun, enjoy the humor of life and how it is finding new expression through new forms. William Blake summed up our resistance to the mind stretching qualities Gemini facilitates when he said “All great truths begin as blasphemies.” Letting go of our rigid beliefs that prevent us from living greater freedom, creative self-expression and joy assists in shifting and expanding our perception of our current reality.

Jul 17, Tuesday. Today the waning Moon occults (similar to an eclipse) both Saturn (11 Gemini) and Venus (13 Gemini) in the morning sky. Each month the Moon passes by these planets, but it is rare for the Moon to occult them, or cover them, and two occultations at once is rare indeed. According to Jim Maynard’s *Celestial Guide* these occultations are visible in the South America for Saturn and Hawaii, the continental US, southern Canada, and the Caribbean for Venus. The powerful activating energies of these celestial phenomena are felt regardless of whether or not they are visible in our part of the world. This [Moon/Venus](#) occultation marks the passage of Venus through the 4th gate into the underworld where she gives up her breastplate symbolizing her releasing all the ways she no longer truly loves herself. This is a particular potent Venus/Moon conjunction to pay attention to and to notice what if anything is hidden within ourselves that prevents us from fully loving who we are, and then acknowledging and releasing whatever it is. This process is ongoing until the next Venus/Moon conjunction in August.

Jul 18, Wednesday. Moon in Cancer occults Jupiter (1 Cancer) visible in Indonesia and the Pacific Ocean. This occultation is happening within in one degree of the Summer Solstice eclipse. Whew! The Cauldron of transformational change is working overtime. It is vital that we learn how to nurture ourselves, to slow down and rest when needed, to let go of doing, doing, doing and care taking others at the expense of our health and well being, and really expanding our knowledge and experience of self-care. Rest is essential for integrating all the changes that are happening macrocosmically and microcosmically. When in doubt about what to do next...rest, rest, rest, and then check into see what is calling for your attention.

Jul 19, Thursday. Still riding the occultation wave of the past couple of days the Moon has moved into Cancer and will occult Mercury (9 Cancer) visible in

Northern Europe, Northern Russia, Arctic, Alaska, and western Canada. The Moon and Mercury are zodiacally aligned with [Alhena](#) in the constellation of the [Twins](#) (a.k.a. Gemini...see [Difference between Signs and Constellations](#)) In ancient times, twins were both feared and worshipped, often representing the duality of good twin/bad twin syndrome. Mythically twins are often endowed with great skills. In all traditions, twins, whether gods or heroes, either helped one another or quarreled among themselves, sometimes one twin killing the other. This symbolizes the position of every individual divided or united within the self.

Alhena is located in the feet of Pollux in the Twins constellation. Castor and Pollux were identical twins except that Pollux was immortal. Castor and Pollux were inseparable, until Castor was killed during a cattle raid. Pollux was in such grief Zues allowed the two of them to alternate days between Hades and Olympus. Alhena marks the feet of the immortal Pollux and has also been referred to as the wound in the tendon Achilles, and is called Bright Foot of Gemini, or the Proudly Marching One. Eric Morse says in his book *The Living Stars*, Alhena gives artistic abilities, especially with the written or spoken word. Alhena also lends skill in the art of peaceful negotiation and moving things forward. With Moon and Mercury aligned here the energies of creative self-expression that move life forward are accentuated. This particular Achilles wound might be expressing as exhaustion and once again the remedy is rest.

Mars (15 Sagittarius) stations direct today, adding to the possibility of feeling disoriented. Mars is accessing the star power of Antares in preparation for his new quest that began last month. Antares is a stargate accessing the transformative energies of the oracle designed to expand awareness and meaning in ways that support the fulfillment of the journey. An inscription over the entrance to the Delphic Oracle was, "know thy self." Mars is engaging a 2 year, 2 month journey to do just that.

Week of Jul 20 – Jul 27 This Cancer [New Moon](#) seed point calls us to nurture ourselves and those we love. New Moons are conception points or seeding points for clearly stating our intentions and/or prayers around our heart's desires allowing them an opportunity to find their highest and best manifestation without attachment to the outcome.

Jul 20, Friday. Building on the themes of the recent occultations, the Cancer New Moon further catalyzes the importance of living life in ways that nourish and

support all of us. Archetypally, these energies are linked with the divine mother and divine father. They provide love, acceptance, nurturing, caring, and safety for all their children. In what ways are we nurturing ourselves and our world? Are we responding with compassion and understanding towards ourselves, our children, and our children's children? Are we nurturing ourselves and getting plenty of rest in these times of accelerated change and transformation?

Jul 21, Saturday. The Moon entered Leo yesterday and is moving towards the fixed star [Regulus](#), the heart of the Lion. The Lion in the sky is linked with the Sphinx on the Earth. Both carry the codes of wisdom that also contain the knowledge of our origins, who we are, and why we are here. This ancient knowing has been hidden deep inside the Sphinx and deep within ourselves. The lion reminds us of a golden age, when the Ancient and Shining Ones walked the Earth with radiant golden auras illuminating balance and harmony with all life. There was peace and plenty. Golden ages past are remembered through myths and stories in nearly every culture on our planet. It is a time many of us yearn for in our deepest heart's desire, often expressed in the idea of Paradise Regained.

With Venus having just crossed through the fourth gate releasing all the ways she no longer loves herself, now is time to connect with the Moon as it moves past Regulus and ask these questions. Do we truly love ourselves? Do we know that we are divine beings? Do we remember that we are the Shining Ones carrying the codes of love and light in our DNA? How do we open our hearts to the language (or codes) of love and the expressions of love within us? How do we manifest these codes in our everyday reality? In other words, how do we consciously co-create the next Golden Age?

Jul 22, Sunday. The Sun enters Leo today where it remains until Aug 22 illuminating the mysteries of the King/Queen or Superstar. When Leo is in its strength and power this energy knows and remembers its radiant and shining divine essence shared by all life. In the *Journey to Xtlan* Don Juan states, "We either make ourselves miserable or we make ourselves strong. The amount of work is the same."

Now is the time for remembering and celebrating our divine essence, knowing the amount of work to remain forgetful, and to be less than our radiant and shining selves is the same amount of work as it is to remember and express our divinity. What a great paradigm awareness shift to engage

this month remembering [Marianne Williamson's](#) words from a Course in Miracles that so brilliantly confirms this. "And as we let our own Light shine, we unconsciously give other people permission to do the same. As we are liberated from our own fear, our presence automatically liberates others." Yes, yes, yes!!!

Jul 23, Monday The Moon is traveling through Virgo energizing the archetype that knows the patterning of the manifest world so well and knows how to co-creatively engage the weaving of reality into harmony and balance so that all life is nourished, supported and honored as sacred.

In ancient times it was the Virgo High Priest/ess who kept track of the natural cycles and rhythms of Earth and Sky. Although retrograde Pluto (12 Sag) is not visible through naked eye observation it is worth noting its impending opposition to Saturn (11 Gemini) exact on August 5. These energies are already being felt and will be felt until April or May of next year as Pluto and Saturn engage each three times over the next few months. These energies suggest it is time to redefine and restructure our relationship with the third dimensional form of our lives. This may feel exhausting at times and it is important to take plenty of time to rest during the next few months. Fears may surface for integration and transformation. Be gentle with yourself and remember to have fun. Saturn in Gemini is an opportunity to create structures that are fun, playful and creatively inspiring, though all the fears about why that might not work may come up for processing. Surrender and trust.

Jul 24, Tuesday. The Saturn (11 Gemini) retrograde Pluto (12 Sag) opposition now moving into place last occurred when Saturn in Pisces squared Pluto in Virgo in 1965/66 Saturn represents the rules and how things work in this dimension. Pluto empowers through the shamanic mysteries of death, transformation and rebirth. The intent of Saturn and Pluto is to bring up any shadow elements within our current set of rules and belief systems that limit or restrict our experience of our true selves. First we must die to the old forms that no longer serve and then consciously rebuild new structures, new forms, new rules that do support the fullest expression of our authentic selves. This transit is just one of many this year designed to take us to a whole new place within ourselves and our world. The alchemical cauldron of transformation is churning wildly catalyzing deep cellular changes within us and within the Earth herself.

Jul 25, Wednesday. Moon entered Libra yesterday bringing to greater awareness the mysteries of conscious equal partnership where we have an opportunity to learn more about who we are through intimate interaction with a partner.

Synchronistically Retrograde Chiron (23 Sag) and Venus (22 Gemini) are moving into exact opposition tomorrow highlighting our relationship with the sacred feminine and what shamanic healing processes are being activated to transform the wounds of the past into the gifts of today.

Jul 26, Thursday. Waxing Moon appears just beyond the bright blue star Spica after Sunset, moving into the sign of Scorpio later tonight. Moon in Scorpio along with the Chiron (23 Sag)/Venus (23 Gemini) opposition exact today are facilitating highly transformative energies intended to illuminate the shadow or wounded places we may still carry that prevent us from being all that we are designed to be. Thus, this timing may create events producing feelings of powerlessness, and/or empowerment that demand our attention. Often both feelings happen simultaneously while moving through the process of death and rebirth. Fully feeling our feelings in ways that are safe and supportive is an important key to releasing the disempowering beliefs and fears that hold us back from our magnificence. If fears surface, embrace them, feel them, accept them, and allow them the opportunity to transform within your being. This helps to facilitate the transformational process and it brings all the necessary gifts needed to fulfill our divine purpose.

Week of Jul 27 to Aug 2 The Scorpio [First Quarter Moon](#) is directly overhead the evening of Jul 27. This waxing half full Moon phase represents the balance between light and dark and is the most visible growth phase of the Moon. This is the best time of the Moon cycle to put our ideas and plans into action, and marks the phase in the Moon's cycle intended to bring our conscious awareness to the threshold of initiation that accelerates the growth process. Each night until Aug 2 the Moon increases in light appearing closer and closer to the Eastern Horizon at Sunset. Aug 2 the Full Moon (in Aquarius) is rising in the East about the time the Sun (in Leo) is setting in the west depending on your eastern and western horizon lines.

Jul 27, Friday. The First Quarter Moon (4 Scorpio) calls us across the threshold of accelerated experience into the fullest possibilities of alive passion, magic and manifestation, and increasing

personal power. This is not intended to be power over others, but rather the intent of the Scorpio mysteries is to feel the increased power of their own life force as it manifests into form. Their fullest experience of this reality comes from living on the edge, discovering their passion and where they feel the most aliveness.

The energies being emphasized now and throughout this year may feel challenging to your emotional peace if there are areas within you needing release and transformation. Imbalances in your emotional reality are now spotlighted providing opportunities to integrate what may be hiding in the shadows. Transforming limiting emotional patterns allows greater liberation and fulfillment. If you have no limiting patterns then this window is a wonderful opportunity to solidly anchor and empower your unique expression into concrete form.

Jul 28, Saturday. Remember as the Moon is completing its transit through Scorpio, Pluto and Saturn are still dancing in close opposition keeping the transformational cauldron on full rolling boil. The best way to be with this energy is to surrender and roll with it, trusting the grand design to provide you with the high magic of alchemy just when, where, and how you most need it.

Jul 29, Sunday. Waxing Moon enters Sagittarius tonight energizing the mysteries of the questing amazon adventurer in search of ever expanding levels of truth, and meaning. The quest includes the experience of expansion of the self to the widest possible expression, while discovering new ways of experiencing the realm of spirit. Are you feeling inspired by new information, new insights, and new ideas? Are you open to seeking greater meaning and understanding moving beyond the current collective limiting beliefs that have kept many of us separate from experiencing the divine essence we all carry?

Jul 30, Monday. Sun (7 Leo) Opposite retrograde Neptune (7 Aquarius) marks the mid-point of Neptune's retrograde journey. The retrograde process takes us deeper within the archetypal element that planet governs. Neptune governs the ideal, the visions, the dreams. It also governs the places where fantasy can become reality when we remain conscious of how this process really works in this dimension. The shadow side of Neptune can express through becoming lost in the dreams and losing touch with reality. Learning how to dream the dreams and then live them is the challenge Neptune offers.

Mercury enters Leo where it remains until Aug 13. Mercury symbolizes the mind, our perceptions, our beliefs, how we communicate and creatively express ourselves. Mercury in Leo when it is healthy is a place of great confidence, courage, and strength. It is able to look ahead and take a leading role in announcing what is coming down the road. The mind moves quickly in the fire element and right now Mercury is moving at one of its quickest paces staying in Leo for just over two weeks.

Jul 31, Tuesday. Moon enters Capricorn crossing the winter solstice point that is currently marking the [Turning of the Ages](#). Once each month the Moon passes by here illuminating the ancient and future mysteries of the seed point. The seed contains the knowledge of all that has come before and carries the potential of all that is yet to come. Notice how you are responsibly administrating the domain of your personal life. This timing has an efficiency and effectiveness to it that is helpful in getting more organized.

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