

GREETINGS;

I hope you had a peaceful, meaningful holiday and are looking forward to 2012. In January, named for the Roman God Janus, we look back and forward at the same time. In 2011, the never ending uncertainty and extremes made us aware of our needs and desires, and now, in 2012, it is time to work on our intentions, goals and desires, so we can repair.

I will write more later about the hoax of the world coming to an end in 2012. The Mayan region is loving this rumor, as the end of the era is bringing a massive tourism boom which will bring 52 million visitors to the area. Please understand we are in a once in a century change cycle, not the end of the world. I received a powerful thought from a client whose father passed last year that I want to share with you as you make your progress forward in 2012:

Yesterday is the past
Today is a blessing
Tomorrow is a mystery

LANDSCAPING; In case you didn't know it, now is the best time to plant new trees. I can help you with this project and send someone to help you with "treeage" if necessary. Let me know if you are planning to install irrigation, as now when the ground is somewhat wet is the best time to do it. Pricing is based upon time spent, and while it is wetter, the job will go faster than when it is hot and dry.

JANUARY ASTROLOGICAL OUTLOOK;

We begin January with a pattern of unrestrained, productive energy until January 23, the first New Moon of 2012 and the Chinese New Year. All 8 of the planets that move back and forth are on forward march for the first time since last January. With planets in earth signs Capricorn, Taurus and Virgo, we all have the capacity to be our most productive selves, especially if we have planets in Capricorn, Taurus and Virgo. This pattern rewards planning, perseverance and determination, so if you are up and running with enthusiasm, you are in the right action and mindset pattern. Since 2012 is a major change year for all of us, it is essential to have clear intentions, goals and desires, and if you take time to write them down, re-read them with regularity. It is amazing how things we write down and review come to pass, almost as if we have downloaded a computer program for our life.

The mental energy begins the month in Sagittarius for one week, bringing each of us natural optimism. The jolt of Mars energy on 1/1 was a bit of spice that some of us didn't need, others got clearer about our needs. As Mercury moves into Capricorn from 1/8-27, most of us will be thinking carefully about our work life, where we want to go and how to get there. On 1/8, both Jupiter and Uranus infuse our thinking with optimism, gratitude and original ideas. On 1/13 the ability to see beneath the appearance of things is enhanced by the influence of Pluto. On 1/23 Mercury and Mars get down to work with a new determination and clarity. This is a great time to see clearly what was not visible before now. On 1/27, Saturn corrects our mistakes as Mercury moves into Aquarius, which improves our communication with others and offers opportunity to solve problems with greater ease for a couple of days.

Our relationship planet Venus begins the month in Aquarius, enhancing our friendships and ability to work with groups, especially on 1/13, as we are touched with balance and genius at the same time. On 1/14 Venus enters Pisces, where it loves to move freely with the arts, feeling empathy with others, and alignment with our deepest spiritual needs, which will emerge more clearly this year as Neptune moves back into Pisces, where it will remain until 2025. This pattern encourages increased self awareness, desire for balance and wholeness, a trend toward acceptance of a more integrated approach to healing and deeper reliance on spiritual (unseen forces, felt or sensed) energies for guidance in all matters.

Mars continues to stir up our awareness of our dissatisfactions as it continues its overlong movement through Virgo. At the New Moon on 1/23, Mars moves backwards until 4/13. Some version of Mars as troublemaker occurs every 2-1/2 years. This time the energy of Virgo, allows us to have true clarity of what and who aggravate us and feel it so powerfully that we can find a solution and implement it. Mars

moving retrograde (backward) seems to remove the incentive for many people to express their anger, impulsivity and self-hatred more easily. In my opinion, it is a time for all of us to rest and regenerate ourselves with greater frequency. I personally avoid everyone who triggers me and hooks my angry responses. Where this is not possible, I rehearse my behavior and give myself permission to remove myself, even for a brief period. This not the time to buy a car, as the mechanical problems with cars bought when Mars is retrograde are often worse than when Mercury is retrograde. If you need a new car this Spring, go shopping now. This is a period when people and circumstances become easily inflamed. Jupiter moved forward in Taurus on Christmas Day and spends the first six months of 2012. This is a time of cautious optimism about finances and life in general. Take only calculated risks and budget carefully. It is a great time to develop an additional income stream and is a fortunate time for those who have planets in Taurus, Virgo and Capricorn, as their fortunes will rise easily.

Saturn continues to move the last degrees of Libra, making us all aware of our relationship needs and realities. Those with planets in Libra are painfully aware of what they require in a mature, satisfying partner, and for those who are unhappily single, it seems as if the quest for the partner is out of reach, or the relationship will never heal. When Saturn moves into Scorpio on 105, this period of relationship frustration will end and not reappear for 28 years. Challenging relationships are part of the equation for all of us so we can become clear that we need people in our life that are supportive and reflect our interests and character traits.

Uranus is rocking our world as it begins the year in Aries for the first time in 84 years. This will be a 7 year cycle of radical change, not seen since the late 1920's and 1930's. It is a time of innovation and rebellion against the status quo. When I saw Time magazine's person of the year was "The Protestor", I thought they were prophetic. Uranus moved into Aries on 3/11 right in the middle of the "Arab Spring" and the "Occupy" protests. Uranus is moving toward an encounter with Pluto on 6/24, shortly after a New Moon and the Summer Solstice. This is a pattern of changing the status quo by removing all the obstacles to the sharing of power. All the dictators will fall, wherever and whoever they are. We had a form of this pattern in the early 1960's and we all remember what volatile those years were. The early 1930's were revolutionary in this country, the last time Uranus was in Aries pushing on Pluto. This pattern celebrates the rise of the individual, and in 2012, assisted by electronic media. I cannot even imagine what this will be like, but the election should be more than interesting in this country, and in the other 1/3 of the world that will be changing leaders this year.

Neptune is finishing the long transit of Aquarius that has brought about the illusion and reality of a world community through electronics. The Age of assisted voyeurism has arrived. Now a time of spiritual connection is coming which seems unimaginable but real.

Pluto slowly moves through Capricorn, changing our institutions of power, and awakening the power within each of us.

January 2012 provides a solid beginning to a year of unexpected change and opportunity. For those who plan, this will be a life changing year. For those who commit to maturity, discipline and awareness of the need to grow forward, progress is guaranteed. Take the first 6 months of 2012 and practice these qualities without doubt and fear.

If you need help in making your plans in a timely way, or need help with your inner doubts, reservations and fears, I will be available to help you regain your balance, make your plans, and heal your heart.

BEST WISHES FOR A SUPERB 2012

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