
LONGEVITY CIRCUIT

Perpetuating techniques which contribute to a longevity lifestyle

Summer Calendar (featuring Pluto!)

The strongest and most dynamic archetype in astrology is the planet Pluto. It was not actually seen until 1930 by the Lowell Observatory, but long suspected to exist. “P” is the glyph to designate the archetype. Pluto the ruler of Scorpio has 4 animals associated with it: the scorpion, the snake, the eagle and the phoenix, each having both negative and positive influences. Those who have had a strong Pluto transit, know by experience that it is disruptive and disturbing, as its energy eliminates and regenerates. Negatively, it influences the underworld, crime and all that is dark in society. But on the positive side it is strong during periods of regeneration and healing. And Pluto can influence the unconscious either through its negative side or through its beneficial side. Thus it can bring obsessive psychic tendencies or conversely, healing, creating, and generating forces. People born with strong Plutonian energies in their chart often have extreme distrust and are afraid of their intense emotions, but they are often found to be mystical and spiritual.

Remarkably, Pluto will soon return to the same position it was when the Yorktown Treaty

was signed, signaling the birth of our country. It was the end of the colonies’ association with England and the beginning period of self government. But it took 5 years to get to the Treaty and several more years before the First Continental Congress met. The Declaration of

Independence was signed when Pluto was at 27° Capricorn in 1776. Last October Pluto returned to 27° Capricorn. (It now has moved to 0° Aquarius, but will retrograde back to 27° this coming October before moving into Aquarius to stay until 2043.) We are in a similar situation as the colonists were when the Declaration

“Our republic should learn this lesson, for we might one day vote into power a hero who wins a giant TV trivia contest and educate our children to believe the Information Superhighway is the road to knowledge. If one clue to psychopathy is a trivial mind expressing itself in high-sounding phrases, then education emphasizing facts rather than thinking, and patriotic, politically or religiously correct “values” rather than critical judgment may produce a nation of achieving high school graduates who are also psychopaths.”

(A prophetic quote from James Hillman’s book *The Soul’s Code* which was written in 1997 when Pluto had gone into Sagittarius.)

was signed. Such a paper has not been written in our time, but certainly the January 6th insurrection proclaims the same thing. We are in an ideological conflict now as were the colonists, but we are handling it with rioters, without open warfare. Which brings us to guns. With Pluto conjunct Mars in the 12th house, “our” birth chart indicates a deep connection with arms and warfare. During these last couple of years, even though there has been no real war, certainly the number of children and adults killed in mass shootings is like a war. And how many conflicts has this country entered in recent times? Korea, Vietnam, Afganistan, etc. The U.S. loves war.

Modern day Pluto in Capricorn has destroyed old foundations, and behavioral patterns have been challenged and potentially overturned. For instance, the number of millionaires in the world jumped during the pandemic and in that same August, nearly 1.2 million Americans were claiming unemployment benefits. The 2020 election provided momentary relief for citizens who were threatened by the Trump administration, but even a change in leadership can only do so much when inequality is deeply embedded in the structure of a

nation. You can easily see how Pluto in Capricorn has changed things once considered permanent. On the positive side, Pluto is making a sextile to Jupiter and the Moon in the 10th house of Law. There are some important legal issues in play right now and hopefully this energy will see them right.

Pluto in Aquarius - What can be expected when Pluto moves into Aquarius to stay? The ruler of Aquarius is Uranus. Where Capricorn is "earth," Aquarius is "air." This is the woman with a pitcher in her hand pouring out the celestial waters of the ancients. So, yes, she represents spiritual knowledge, but also anything that travels through the air unseen: such as electricity, technical information, television, radio waves, etc. Aquarius is artistic, perverse, intuitive, unorthodox, original. Being fixed it can also be stubborn and independent. The love of freedom is so strong, it is the only natal sign where I have seen a parent leave their children!

What does this portend for the future of the country? In the U.S. chart Pluto, Mars, and the

ascendent are all placed in Aquarius. We think of ourselves as a freedom loving country, but did you know we have more laws on our books than any other country in the world? But we do have free market enterprise, individualism, science

breakthroughs. Everyone has a voice, something to say. It's why we have all this political tension, rioters. But as lovers of technical advances we now have AI and with it comes tension and fear: as freedom permits anyone to say anything, true or not, about it! Freedom comes with responsibility but because Pluto and Mars are both in

Aquarius in the 12th house in our natal chart, we have also the underground, the hidden self-interests that have the most control. In short, everything that Aquarius is, we already have.

Pluto returns - As I said, Pluto is returning to the original place it was during the Yorktown Treaty. Pluto returns have caused disruptions in power throughout history. Here are some examples of what history records concerning a Pluto return. The Roman Empire experienced its first Pluto return during the years 218 and 220 AD, a period marked by divisive leaders, scandal, death, and unstable transfers of power throughout the Severan dynasty, until its end in 235 AD. Pluto's second return happened between 461 and 468 AD, just eight years before the fall of the Roman Empire in 476 AD. England survived three Pluto returns — during the Great Famine of 1315, at the start of the Elizabethan era and a golden age of British literature, and during the formal creation of the United Kingdom in 1801. Any of this sound familiar?



Chaos (Cuba) November 2016

Neptune is still in the first house of the U.S. chart, not a pleasant place to be. We are not over the pandemic yet, at least not psychologically, opioids and emotional disfunction are still newsworthy as regards people in general. Too much crime, suicides, lies, propaganda. Neptune turns retrograde the end of this month and remains so through the summer. Don't forget the 2 fishes going in opposite directions: things could get worse or they could get better. Generally life could become more confusing and unclear as people believe what is untrue or conversely one can attract ideal influences: art, meditation, selfless service. It all depends on which fish you identify with! And remember the butterfly that comes from the caterpillar.



Uranus is in the third house of the U.S. chart and turns retrograde at the end of August at 23° Taurus. And we have the writers strike, a huge train wreck, the Reddit rebellion and other social media issues, Uber and other taxi services under scrutiny. I don't know about yours, but our Santa Fe postal service is awful and stealing from mailboxes is common. These are all Uranus in the 3rd house issues. Where is this planet traveling in your chart? Expect unexpected change, rebelliousness, and agitation.

Saturn is in the first house with Neptune. Its effect here relates to the changing housing market, the recent strong interest in older people, and the search for rare minerals to activate the new abilities of modern equipment. Saturn went retrograde last Thursday. Did you feel it? Ordinary things became a little bit more tedious, responsibility loomed, or a sense of "I'll do it later." Saturn is not happy in the first house where things are born. Creativity needs spontaneity, not orthodoxy or control. On the positive side, this could bring greater responsibility and perseverance on the part of

the public. Being retrograde it can give a chance to review and reconsider. But overall it appears that American citizens are basically depressed about government.

Jupiter has been traveling through the U.S. house of money! That's why we haven't had as much inflation as the Feds predicted and the stock market has remained fairly stable. Jupiter is in Taurus and Taurus is a money constellation. But Jupiter is going to square Mars in the 12th house from the 24th to the 29th of this month. Ancient texts say this is the worst Jupiter transit and maybe even worse since Jupiter is in Taurus in the 2nd house of money and natal Mars is in the 12th house of crime and secrets.

This transit also points to the problem with the Supreme Court Judge (or two) who have taken large sums of money from political sources. Hopefully the Pluto sextile Jupiter will correct it. We'll see! Jupiter turns retrograde on September 4th at 15° Taurus and remains so until Jan 1st, 2024! It moves into the 3rd house in mid July but retrogrades back into the 2nd in October.

ALSO **Venus** and **Mars** have been traveling together in Leo. Has your world been more social lately, desires intensified, or feeling arty? Gradually that will diminish and in late July (the 23rd) Venus will turn retrograde until September 4th, while Mars marches on to Virgo. Venus goes direct on September 4th so pleasant feelings will return. If you are doing some kind of project, Virgo energy will help it be more professional. You'll also want to do it correctly! But get it done before August 28th when Mars moves into Libra. **Mercury** turns retrograde on August 23rd. Review expenditures, travel plans, what you put in writing and don't make promises you can't keep. Mercury will turn direct again on September 15th. Mercury is at home in Virgo so the difficulties caused by careless decision making might be more obvious.