

GREETINGS;

I hope you had a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday and are looking forward to the many changes December will bring. I, for one, was so relieved to erase November off my dry erase calendar and take the November pages out of my planner. I am thankful November is over and we can start over as the first week of December begins with enthusiasm, optimism and self-confidence with the presence of 5 planets in fire signs. This increase in fire energy encourages our desire for self-expression and freedom, and brings out our feelings of optimism and generosity. Fortunately Saturn leaves Scorpio near the end of the month (12/23), and the feelings of loss, being overwhelmed by fear, and doubt should unravel as we come out of the crazy quilt of pain that has been in our lives the past 2-1/2 years.

I wanted to point out something that all of us need to be aware of as we enter this dark period in the Northern Hemisphere before the return to light at the Winter Solstice/New Moon on 12/21. Anniversary dates often become trauma triggers for our unconscious to release unprocessed body memories which need to be healed at the cellular level. The month between Thanksgiving and Christmas contain many of these memories that we have "forgotten" or minimized. If you find yourself feeling extreme sadness and a childlike attitude of being overwhelmed by simple tasks, you may be re-experiencing trauma from the past. That happened to me in November as a result of a simple office move. When we are ready to let go of past pain, which is a great healing event, we often experience some regression leading up to release. Fortunately, I have many people to talk these feelings through with, and I wish the same for you if you have this experience. Feeling leads to healing and letting old feelings of helplessness and victimization go leaves room for fearless growth, which is where we are all heading in 2015.

I am now happily relocated at 1900 Briar Hollow Lane, Suite 263, Houston, Texas 77027, two blocks due east of my old office on the West Loop between San Felipe and Post Oak. I finally got my phone number 713/520-1551 back a few days ago and it is forwarded to my cell (713/542-7231). I am making my own appointments for the first time in 30 years so you can call either of the numbers listed above, or email me at nanlinke@aol.com to schedule your appointments or for any other matter.

GIFT CERTIFICATES; Give yourself and those you love a gift certificate with me so you can clarify your intentions, goals and understand your cycles of greatest potential in 2015. In my experience, this is an invaluable tool on the path of self-expression, self-exploration, wisdom and expansion of consciousness. You can purchase a 1 hour gift certificate for \$180 and/or a 30 minute session for \$90. I can mail the certificates or you can come by and pick them up at your convenience.

WINTER SOLSTICE; On 12/21, the especially powerful Winter Solstice occurs when we experience 3 major astrological events in a 3 hour period: First, Uranus, the planet of change and rebellion, turns direct for the first time since July and stirs up our lives in ways we cannot ignore; eighteen minutes later we have the Winter Solstice at 0 degrees Capricorn, which marks the return to light in the Northern Hemisphere; and finally there is New Moon in Capricorn as the Sun and Moon join together as one force of forward movement at 7:38 PM CST. This is a time of major renewal. Historically, the evening before the Winter Solstice is a period of ritual celebration. I offer any of you in Houston, Texas who have the time and interest an opportunity to attend a Winter Solstice ritual with me at my house near Rice U/Med Center. On Saturday 12/20 at 7 PM we will have our annual Winter Solstice ritual. I will send instructions on preparation tomorrow in another email. If you are interested after you read the suggestions and have time on your calendar, let me know, as I have limited space. The cost is \$35.

DECEMBER ASTROLOGICAL OUTLOOK:

After the sad, soggy energy of November, December is looking up for all of us as the strong fire planets in balance and support of our energies of joy, creativity and optimistic self-expression hasn't been this strong in years. The first week of December ends with a light hearted Full Moon in Gemini on 12/6, the day after Mercury in Sagittarius is in perfect balance with Uranus in Aries. We will have a lot to say during those two days, and all of it will be true! In fact, it will be almost impossible to keep a secret on 12/5 and 12/6. This Full Moon illuminates a major crossroads which occurs as Uranus and Pluto finish the molding

of our deeper, truer natures into some form of greater self-realization. This pattern has been stretching our consciousness for nearly 3 years now and takes a break on 12/14. If you haven't felt helpless and confused during the past few years of forced change, or you haven't noticed this period of the 1960's Part 2 disrupting your security and sanity, you must have left the planet. All of us have been transformed by the energy of defiance versus empowerment, even if only behind the scenes.

Mars leaves Capricorn where it has been unrelenting in its tension production in November on 12/4. With Mars in Aquarius until mid-January, we all are ready for more fun with others and a lighter touch on life.

On 12/8, just after the Full Moon, Jupiter in Leo starts its retrograde motion until April 2015, encouraging us to let go of limited and limiting beliefs so we can experience life with greater freedom and meaning. In mid-December, after 12/14, Mercury moves into Capricorn for a period of problem solving and practical application of hard work and reason to issues which we are concerned with. Venus, the planet which symbolizes what we value, moves into to Capricorn on 12/10 and our heart is concerned with practical matters and improved success in all we do. On 12/20 Venus contacts Uranus and then Pluto which should bring about a clarification of our deepest truths and needs as we move into an expanded version of ourselves in 2015. We are moving away from self-inflicted limits and self-inflicted wounds. As mentioned above, 12/21 is a major shift of energy into a new paradigm and is the ideal time to plant a seed of intention for 2015. FINALLY, on 12/23 Saturn leaves Scorpio where it has been for 2-1/2 long hard years of loss and self-doubt. One of my colleagues states that he has never had a time of such release of what no longer serves him as we have just experienced. It is as though we are whittled down to our essence, a period of alchemical distillation with truth as the by-product. It is past time for the universe to support our growth and the New Moon at the Winter Solstice on 12/21 is announcing the possibility of new ways of seeing and experiencing life. We are turning a corner and moving in a totally new direction now.

The spiritual task of the New Moon in Capricorn is to develop responsibility, resourcefulness and to learn to set realistic goals and boundaries. This is a time for all of us to learn that life is a two way street and we should get as good as we give, which inevitably ends our habits of martyrdom and over-functioning. Uranus moves forward into the mix a few minutes before the Capricorn Solstice. We should have enough awareness and energy to move mountains. On 12/23 Saturn, the ruler of Capricorn enters Sagittarius for 2-1/2 years. This is the time for all of us to develop discipline and mastery and cultivate our faith in something greater than ourselves. Sagittarius is the first of the 4 Universal signs where we will experience ourselves as part of the whole and what happens to one of us happens to all of us. Sagittarius symbolizes truth on a higher level, as well as wisdom as our operating system.

As we end the intense period of Scorpio energy we feel the creative fire rekindled allowing us to revision and reawaken the creative possibilities in our lives. It is time for us to expand our horizons and meet new people and say "Yes" to new experiences with confidence and anticipation. I encourage you to make the most of this time as you seek greater understanding of yourself in your world so you can have greater knowledge of how this time of transformation is affecting your personal and professional life. My experience has been that astrological understanding brings greater meaning into the circumstances we are dealing with in this waking dream called LIFE!

I will be working all of December except 12/24-25 and 12/31. If you can make the time, I would love to help you make sense of nonsense and learn to Trick the Tricksters in your life. I love working in my vibrant new healing space and would love to share it with you.

BLESSINGS ON EACH OF YOU THIS HOLIDAY SEASON OF PROFOUND CHANGE AND GROWTH.

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