

## Capricorn New Moon: January 18, 2007

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This January's New Moon in Capricorn continues the recent theme of the New Moons being in the late degrees of the sign followed by many planets in the next sign, in this case Aquarius. Therefore, right after these New Moons, first the Moon, then the Sun, move along and transit over the planets in the next sign, releasing their archetypal powers-the power of our minds with Mercury; healing with Chiron; access to spirituality with Neptune; and feminine receptivity with Venus. Since these planets are all in Aquarius, essential transformational powers are also released into the planetary field; there is going to be a lot of action with this New Moon. This process tends to activate the most mature energies of the New Moon's sign-in this case, philosophical Capricorn-and then to dump that knowledge quickly and deeply into the next sign, where it releases. The emotional (Moon) and psychological (Sun) implications of the knowledge of the next sign develop during the month, like aging cheese or wine.

This pattern of mature New Moons activating many subsequent planets has been happening since the fall of 2006; ends with the Pisces New Moon in March; and has tended to reveal the true implications of many things. There is more truth (and also evil) percolating in our world than I have seen since the 1960s. Of course, resistance to the truth is daunting, discouraging, and sometimes heart-breaking: liars fight hard to erase their trails because they have so much to lose if they get caught. Bush acting like the bully on the block and being an unfair debater is enraging the majority of Americans, as well as most people around the world. Regardless, we are in the midst of the advanced unifying synthesis, as defined by Carl Calleman. This means, we must trust our inner knowing, maintain our faith in the divine plan, and take actions in the world to manifest the plan. This New Moon has fantastic spiritual potential, and the Aquarius New Moon which follows in February will effectively reap this Capricorn richness. Because of this great potential, this will be a very high reading. Many students were very inspired by my 2006 Winter Solstice reading with its clear identification of the deep hidden issues we are all processing. Well, astrology shows that many of us will have the courage to process human pain and fear; you may even feel ecstatic during this process!

This New Moon in 29 Capricorn represents the most advanced maturation of Capricorn wisdom, which is deep insight, true spiritual attainment, and the joy of cherishing day-to-day life. Capricorn's ruling planet-Saturn-is in Leo and quincunxes the New Moon. Therefore, the wisdom of the heart supported by our wills inspires us to attain Capricorn's spiritual depth; at the same time, we are feeling that each moment in our personal lives matters, and what we think and do actually changes the planet. Note that Saturn's favorite human process is individuation. Saturn was exactly quincunx the Sun on January 13, and on that day I could see how world systems will change during this winter. Also on January 13, Mars was conjunct Pluto on the Galactic Center, which I will analyze in detail in a moment.

In response to Saturn in Leo quincunxing the New Moon, and to many other aspects during the Capricorn lunation, you will be experiencing potent spiritual access within a world that is spinning out of control. You may feel you have the master keys of alchemy while being in a tornado during this lunation! Do not doubt what you know; we all must harvest the fruits of Pluto's transit on the Galactic Center. Energies are being released now that will mow down resistance to the changes that must come to save our planet.

Regarding Pluto and Mars on the Galactic Center (GC), Pluto is combust (within a 1 degree orb) the GC from December 2, 2006, through January 28, 2007, and Mars was combust the GC January 10-15, 2007. I was very closely watching what the Bushites were doing during January 10-15 because it is their manifesto for the winter season. The exact conjunction of Mars and Pluto was January 13, when Saturn was exactly quincunx the Sun. George Bush nervously gave his "surge speech" on January 10, 2007, amidst building public resistance to his war policy in Iraq, when he announced his intention to widen US aggression in the world whether Congress and the public agreed or not. During January 11 and 12, various members of Congress expressed outrage at Bush's agenda, especially to his saber-rattling at Iran. On January 13, the Bushites used the media to push their agendas while war resistance and chaos in Iraq was building to a fever pitch, and Condi Rice traveled to the Middle East in her designer clothes to arm-twist Arab potentates. Then on Sunday (January 14), as Mars began moving beyond the GC, metal-mouthed Cheney triumphantly gave a major speech claiming that Bush can do anything he wants, while in Iraq al Maliki's henchmen hanged and decapitated Saddam Hussein's half-brother.

As you can see, Mars-conjunct-Pluto on the GC fully revealed what the Bushites plan on doing during Pluto's transits of the GC during 2007, which of course intensifies resistance to their personal path to the Apocalypse. Remember, events that usually take years to process are occurring in just a few short years during the Galactic Underworld-1999-2011-and we can see exactly what Bush intends to do by observing what he was doing from January 10 to 15. When you play poker, do you show your hand? The chart for his "surge speech" [January 10, 2007, 9:00 PM EST, US Capitol Building] and the content of what he said is the Bush/Cheney Declaration of WW III! The bullies on the block have put up their dukes by injecting a vile force into our world that will be processed by the people on the planet during the winter; this could be seen in the Winter Solstice but was clarified by Mar/Pluto on the GC. Meanwhile, the power of the people is the greatest force on the planet, and now many leaders in Congress can see exactly what Bush intends to do. Therefore, the whole winter season and especially the New Moon in Capricorn will involve an ongoing battle to contain a little madman wearing a diamond, sapphire, and ruby flag pin.

Mars, Saturn, and Pluto transits are forcing each one of us to be really clear about how we feel about the world around us. We are assessing how much we can change the world based on entirely new human ways of life; retarded adolescents cannot be allowed to run the world anymore. Pluto on the GC and related transits (as well as Jupiter in Sagittarius) are making it impossible to separate our personal frequencies from global events; we must master our own frequency patterns in this field.

For example, we can see that the US was involved in the timing of Saddam Hussein's execution, since it was cynically timed to happen exactly when Pluto transited the Galactic Center! Because of such barbarity in a world where many people have become more civilized, Hussein-a man who was very much disliked by most people in the world, including many Muslims-is now being thought of as a martyr. This frequency field that the Bushites have created during the Mars/Saturn/Pluto transits forces each one of us to see and face our inner darkness and pain. I ask you, who is the man responsible for hundreds of thousands of civilian deaths in Iraq? I will refrain from naming him, but that same ironic thought was in the minds of many people when they saw the noose around Hussein's neck and the expression on his face.

Other aspects in the Capricorn New Moon suggest how the unfolding drama may play out, and even I cannot believe what is going on in the heavens! Neptune in Aquarius is combust Venus (they were exactly conjunct just four hours before this New Moon). Before this, Venus was combust Chiron on January 10. Therefore, events around January 10 show us how the feminine (Venus) will heal us (Chiron) during the feminine transformation (Venus) of all planetary spiritual agencies (Neptune in Aquarius). Who is playing out the role of Venus?? Not Pelosi, not Hillary, not Paris Hilton, but onto the stage charges Michelle Manhart ("Man-Heart")!

Adorable in all ways, Michelle-US Air Force Staff Sergeant, who was in Kuwait in 2002-is February's Playboy centerfold in an issue titled "Tough Love"! Well, the way to get out of the military during Vietnam was to act like you were gay, now the way to get out is to strip! Cute Michelle is shown partially clothed wearing her dog tags while yelling and holding weapons, and we also see her completely nude. She has been relieved of her duties because "she does not meet the high standards we expect of our airmen" (italics mine and the quotes are from CNN.com). Manhart responds with "I was standing up for my rights, I didn't do anything wrong". Meanwhile, we are now hearing of people being called up for the Surge who finished their service in the military with an honorable discharge twenty years ago. You, Michelle, did everything right. In one perfect creative act timed exactly right, you have taken off the emperor's clothes and revealed the truth about the military! During Bush's declaration of WW III on January 10 (see above to cast the chart), Venus was exactly combust Chiron in 8 Aquarius. The Bushites chose that moment because of Mars/Pluto aspects to the Galactic Center, but somebody didn't notice Venus/Chiron at 9 PM EST on January 10, 2007, which could unleash the Goddess, Sekhmet. The emperor has lost his clothes, Airwoman Manhart took hers all off, and possibly even Islamists will be able to appreciate her brilliant salvo. Wow! Sounds like the Pleiadians are at work here!

When Venus reaches Uranus in Pisces on February 7, we'll see what the feminine role in the transformation of religions (Uranus in Pisces on the North Node) will be. The result could be something like the inner pain of the American troops in Iraq rising to such a fever pitch that they would no longer be able to deny what the woman within knows-quit taking orders to kill women and children!!! Of course, with these aspects, the mother-of-five Nancy Pelosi may be seen as a great leader (whether the media focuses on her pearls and facial work or not) and may successfully challenge the Bushites. Watch for other female leaders to emerge and for signs that men are responding to their own inner feminine, and be sure and go out and get your copy of Playboy!

Neptune/Venus is in a wide opposition to Saturn retrograde in Leo, so there is no doubt these awakenings will be profound and structurally significant. Saturn will oppose Neptune for the second time February 28, 2007, when women's wisdom can transmute spiritual structures. For example, the mindset of the neocon Christian fundamentalist is profoundly patriarchal, and it is voraciously greedy because it is empty inside. This insane hunger plans to destroy anything that is in the way of the "American way of life". However, women are survivors and may rise up against this crazy apocalyptical ecocide.

Mercury in Aquarius is conjunct Chiron (exact on January 20), which offers us knowledge about the mechanics of healing. They are both sextile Jupiter in Sagittarius, which expands and liberates these healing powers. Do not forget that the Sun in late Capricorn will move along and conjunct all these planets in Aquarius, except for Mercury which moves faster than the Sun. These are great aspects for personal growth, and they will tend to foil the evil plans of oppressive political systems. For example, all the guys who worked with Michelle will certainly enjoy this month's Playboy, as well as all the other guys in the military.

Jupiter in Sagittarius closely squares Uranus in Pisces (exact on January 22), an aspect that is really going to reveal how the spiritual transformation processes will work out during 2007. Jupiter-square-Uranus means that shocking truths will come out that will rattle rigid belief systems. Since Jupiter is in Sagittarius (spirituality and religion) and Uranus is in Pisces (transformation of spirituality and religion), more and more people in the world will be examining the Middle Eastern consequences of Jewish and Christian fundamentalism. People might see that Judeo-Christian fundamentalists (who believe in a soon-to-come apocalypse) are merely ploys used for the Bush/Cheney Middle Eastern oil-grab. This is the first Jupiter-square-Uranus; the second one is May 10; and the third one is October 9, which will finish out this major theme during 2007. Uranus will flush out resistance to the great changes that must come now within world religions, and then the greater galactic spirituality will inspire religions in December 2007 when Jupiter and Pluto conjunct the Galactic Center.

A great balancing between East and West is inevitable, because Western powers have invaded and carved up the Middle East and awakened the sleeping giant, Islam. The Jupiter/Uranus squares will expose the truth: the West has spawned a repeat of the battle between David and Goliath.

Remember who won that battle the last time around? And this time, Goliath is not fighting on his home turf. Well, how can you process these great archetypal dramas? I've already suggested doing some reading about the American Civil War now that the US has triggered a Shiite/Sunni civil war in Iraq. I also highly recommend reading Jimmy Carter's latest book-*Palestine: Peace Not Apartheid*. Carter does a great job of showing why the Jewish State did have to be created in 1948, but he also establishes that excessive American/British support for Israel is tipping the balance in the Middle East and causing the Western conflict with Islam. Carter's book is very balanced, and really helps the reader consider both sides of the struggle over Israel/Palestine. Meanwhile, on January 10, fourteen people working in the Carter Center quit their jobs to protest Carter's book. I think Carter deserves and needs our reader support.

Pluto conjuncting Mars in Sagittarius flushes out the galactic implications of death, the underworld, and male aggression, and tests how far male powers will go to get what they want. I will look into this question more closely regarding Washington, DC, in a moment, but what could this aspect mean for you as an individual? The answer is simple and harsh: During the last quarter Moon (Jan. 11) up to this New Moon, you've felt deep pain over the hideous carnage in the world, and are some of you may be feeling pain over Earth's quarantine in the universe? You may see parts of yourself that have not been cleansed yet, and this is making it hard for you to handle the amazing powers coming from the Galactic Center. Don't worry! The first transit of Pluto on the Galactic Center (Dec. 30) was the time to see the truth, and then Mars came along to make sure you don't miss it. With the other transits of Pluto to the Galactic Center, you will change yourself and learn to handle gamma rays from the Galactic Center, which will also bring the end of war.

Lastly, Uranus in Pisces is conjunct the lunar North Node and will be close to the North Node through April 2007. This conjunction will help you clear your own karma that has accrued by your participation in the historical agendas of the world religions. *Uranus on the North Node will release the past so that spirituality can transform the world.*

Whatever your faith was, or still is, we have all experienced participation in the National Underworld religions. During the Galactic Underworld, every religion that continues to encourage death and duality will go away; they must quickly become vehicles of peace and compassion, or else disappear. What each one of you believes inside now will change these structures which are being rocked by the forces in the Galactic Center that intend peace for Earth. The universal intelligence is the advanced unifying synthesis, yet we are the ones who must detect this greatly expanded truth. Remember, religions are based on beliefs, and if nobody believes them anymore, they collapse like pricked balloons.

Now it is time to examine the New Moon cast for Washington, DC, so we can add house analysis to this reading. [Because] Gerry and I will be on a boat going around the tip of South America during February, I will not be able to observe world events enough to include them in my readings of the next New Moon. Instead, I will look at the chart for Washington, DC now, to anticipate how the field will be playing out during the next few months. Since I will be gone, you'll get to watch the show and see whether what astrology suggests is accurate. [Because I'll be] so far away, [I was] forced to do all three winter moons and the Spring Equinox way in advance, which enabled me to see that this winter is going to be incredibly formative for all beings on Earth. Bon voyage!

In the chart cast for Washington, DC, the New Moon is in the fourth house (4) along with Mercury and Chiron in Aquarius. This suggests the Capital will be engaged in a deep, emotional, and traumatic struggle for power. Bush is so used to getting what he wants that he will not act like a typical *Lame Duck*. With Mercury conjunct Chiron in Aquarius, the Bushites will believe their ideas are the best and most healing for America. With the Mars/Pluto conjunction 3 along with Jupiter in Sagittarius, they will be sure they are the wisest of all, and they will flood the media with blood and gore. The emphasis will be on more troops, more war, and more scenes chosen to show that America is right. But remember, the pharmaceuticals own much of the media, so this winter will be a great time to sell drugs for headaches, stomachaches, high blood pressure, and impotency.

Why not turn off the TV and enjoy February's Playboy instead! Neptune/Venus in 5 in Aquarius suggests that Michelle Manhart will be the talk of Washington during February! The creativity of Neptune/Venus in 5 would normally suggest a free-for-all of Rove games and spin, but Manhart has stolen the show! Meanwhile, retrograde Saturn in Leo in 11 is moving closer to its opposition to Neptune: a reckoning is coming and the Aquarius New Moon on February reveals what it will be.

A struggle is building between the patriarchy using its inflexible will to control the planet (Saturn in Leo), and the need for an entirely new world based on high spiritual principles (Neptune in Aquarius). Because Venus is combust Neptune in 5, the real drama will be orchestrated by feminine energy and surrender, which has been fun so far, judging by Playboy and Manhart. But, the real key to how these forces will work out during the month is Uranus in 6 close to the lunar North Node, which is in close square to Jupiter in Sagittarius in 3. We are going into a cycle of radical spiritual truths shaking up established religions and political agencies. You will see millions of people rebelling all over the planet against intolerance and injustice, and many people will realize that the source of oppression has often been world religions. It will be interesting to see if religious agencies criticize Ms. Manhart-whose initials by the way are MM, the same as Mary Magdalene's! The 2007 Jupiter/Uranus squares are going to create amazing change this year, and Uranus transiting the North Node is going to transform old karma. As for the game in Washington, Uranus on the North Node in 6 suggests that rebellion in Congress will ultimately heal the nation, but the square to Jupiter in 3 hints at a lot of chaos and pain. We are going into a great cycle of change now that will really accelerate when Saturn goes direct in April. Until then, keep your heart open and your seatbelt fastened!