

**Pamela Cucinell's  
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*Remember, Mercury is in the "shadow of the retrograde" as the month opens, and the retrograde itself occurs December 11- 30. This means if you haven't already purchased any electronic gifts you've planned for holiday, it's best to choose a "good day" before December 11.*

**12/1** You may get a lot done today, especially in the morning. Enjoy that workout (whether physical, mental or romantic). Correspondence and communications are strong when compromise and listening is exercised. Give yourself some time to appreciate the beauty around you; if not readily apparent, escape to a museum or film. Make a phone call to someone you love, if you don't have a chance to savor an outing with them. Very creative ideas flow.

**12/2** Terrific "dreamtime" in the early hours of the day; if you're not sleeping, you may be in situations that have a surreal quality to them. The moon is VOC\* from 3:08 am ET to 9:43 am. Once it enters Scorpio, you are poised for a day of intense relating. If you prefer shorter conversations, delve into research instead. Highly inspirational energy abounds, but it wants to get out of the head and take form. Make art, love, write, bake or swim laps. You may spend time thinking about mother, so plan to give yourself what you need, depending on your relationship with her.

A wonderful day for those who celebrate Hanukkah, if you enjoy your family's company. If not, you may prefer to spend it with friends.

**12/3** A Mars/Uranus picture in the sky cautions for awareness, whether you're driving, exercising or walking on the street. Pay attention to what's around you. This includes conversations that may take an unexpected spin. If you remember not to take things personally, you can navigate gracefully through changeable currents. This can be a highly successful day when you keep your head above water.

**12/4** The moon is VOC\* from 7:13 am ET to 12:59 am. Blessed are those who don't have to hurry out this morning. Enjoy some reflective time and/or relating to those you love. Once the moon enters Sagittarius, the mood changes to movement and fast! Whether it's spectating a sport, shopping or physical activity, your mind wants stimulus and lots of it. Parties are fun and people are open. Be mindful of a tendency for excess, if you're watching your weight or alcohol intake.

**12/5** The New Moon in Sagittarius invites the reach for new horizons. What is it you'd like to add to your life to expand the mundane? You may need to build your confidence, optimism or sell an idea or product. You may want to find a religious community, or reorient yourself to one. Because Uranus goes direct today, it's important that the goal of the New Moon be truly aligned with your individuality. Don't force yourself into an exercise program that doesn't suit you.

The Sabian Symbol for this moon is "The Pyramids and the Sphinx", which is not the usual profile when thinking of the robust, immoderate, devil-may-care Sagittarian spirit. Yet, in order to create these monuments that have lasted for thousands of years, one had to have had a big dream. The concrete formulation of the dream within the mind and

then on paper is what can bring it to fruition.

Powerful day for self-expression and deep listening when you understand communication is a two-way street. If you need some time for you, you might want to get some writing done. Writing goals down at New Moons is always strong medicine. If this is not your usual inclination, give it a try this time.

**12/6** The energy swirling around today is dynamic and you may feel as though you've got a "monkey by the tail". Ambitions may seem to be at odds with immediate needs. People may blurt out things without thinking them through, which can hurt the thin-skinned (and even those with rhino-hides!) So watch what you say and your response to what's said.

Stay the course if you are sure of what you want, because things begun today have tremendous momentum behind them. The moon is VOC\* from 4:46 pm to 6:16 pm ET when it enters Capricorn. You may note a recognizable shift as the mood sobers.

**12/7** Much can be accomplished today if you plan and have a concrete goal in mind. Don't be discouraged by setbacks or if you run out of steam by the end of the day. Mars enters Capricorn, which tends to reward those who plod slowly up the mountain with the foothold of a sherpa. If you lose your balance, make decisive moves to correct it.

**12/8** Good connections for financial advice or funding may occur. You have the opportunity to seal deep relationships if you're willing to meet the invitation. Luck is out there for those willing to make it happen. Open yourself up to the possibilities of serendipity.

It may "fall into your lap" but you have to know what to do with it. The moon is VOC\* from 8:07 to 2:30 am the next day.

**12/9** Don't be discouraged if what you need does not meld with what you want; unless this is a life pattern for you, it's a temporary passage. If it is a life pattern, today you have an opportunity to consider it a temporary situation, since it may be an extreme example of what you often feel. If your needs don't reconcile easily with what you want, you have to find a way to compromise, otherwise you'll always feel you come up short. The moon in Aquarius indicates good potential for objectivity, but this may also feel maddeningly detached, if you're a more passionate soul.

Give yourself some creative play, especially later in the day. Do something that makes your inner child smile, even if no one you know is with you. This is for you.

**12/10** Mercury stations retrograde today and while it's not the planet itself that creates SNAFUs, you might want to have something to blame. Leave time this morning to get where you're going. In spite of the fact communications/electronics may deserve a "double-take", you can get a good deal done today especially for anyone in the creative or healing arts. This is a good time to initiate a meditation practice, if you don't have one already.

**12/11** For early risers, meditation or the creative process is inspired. The moon is VOC\*

from 6:09 am to 1:40 pm ET, so this is a morning for the joy of the unexpected. Delight in conversations that go nowhere and innovative ways to organize your desk. Once the moon changes sign and enters Pisces, artists may want to hole up with their work.

Dancing and parties can be ecstatic celebrations today; if you see or give a performance, it will be magic.

**12/12** Romance and love abound. Productive day for anyone in the arts or healing modalities. Deep community can be felt at a religious/spiritual venue. If you don't find yourself surrounded by this; time to go to a spiritual group or enjoy a meditative walk in a museum or aquarium. Remember to always start at the source; your love for you.

**12/13** Similar energetically to yesterday, but with more momentum to act out in hopefully a productive fashion. Initiate dialog or projects with awareness of the communication hitch potential. This is regardless, a good day for reaching out and going within.

The moon is VOC\* from 7:38 pm to 2:14 am the next day. Fast-moving Mercury links to both Pluto and Mars, signifying the potential for you to go over some action you took in the past, concerning finances, power or a relationship communication. There is great potential to resolve it to greater satisfaction or at least to understand it.

**12/14** The moon enters Aries at 2:14 am ET. This may feel like one of those days when everyone seems to be picking a fight or in a cranky mood. You can choose to be on that bus or riding on the running board. Moods may improve in the afternoon. Exercise helps; take a walk at lunch if you're feeling confined. Believe it or not, things can get accomplished today, although they may move more easily later in the day. Keep your eye on your spiritual core.

**12/15** After a possible morning hitch, you can change your day if you recognize what part of the problem is within your control. You may not be able to change everything, but an adjustment may make the situation constructive enough to be worth your time. Move ahead decisively. By the end of the day, you may have totally forgotten the earlier delay, or at least switched your perspective on it.

**12/16** The moon is VOC\* from 6:41 am to 1:49 pm ET; you may be rushing about with no place to go, so find a treadmill. Once it enters Taurus, you may taste a palpable calm, especially after some head-butt potential passes in the late afternoon. This is an evening for quiet conversation with someone you love, a good meal and/or a cuddly blanket and an excellent book (perhaps Jane Austin, to celebrate her birthday?)

**12/17** You can make something out of nothing today, but only if you believe it's possible. If you find yourself at odds with a woman (or a part of yourself is not cooperating with the bigger picture), you might want to loosen your grip. Keeping a tight reign is suitable for an ill-trained dog, but not for a difference of opinion. If you allow the other thought space to be recognized, it may soften the situation and allow true inspiration. Or you may simply have to wait until the tension passes, like gas.

**12/18** Artists, musicians and meditators are in their element in the morning hours. Even

the creatively challenged, may feel inspired to paint, cook or shop with fresh eyes. Mercury moves into Sagittarius, increasing the tendency for fast talk. If you're in sales, today may be a great day to get your message across. If you are fighting an uphill battle, give it a rest; you may get a lift to the top when you stop to see who else is out there. **The moon is VOC\* from 4:36 pm -10:37 pm ET.** Avoid being on your computer once it enters Gemini, unless you can cope with a late night cyber-jant that goes nowhere.

**12/19** Neighborhood gatherings and child's play provide much pleasure. However, if you're looking for some solid decisions or revelatory conversation, you might wait for another day. The Gemini moon keeps the mood light and people moving. Even if you don't leave the house, distractions and segues in discussion may keep you guessing.

**12/20** Venus steps firmly out of her "shadow" today, so if you haven't purchased that jewelry for your honey, now is the time. More importantly, it may be time to have a "hard" conversation; don't continue to dodge feelings as they come up. There is a lunar eclipse tomorrow, and you may be reaching a threshold of what you can take. If it is not appropriate to initiate dialog, at least recognize your need to say it. Find a sympathetic ear, talk to the mirror or write it out in your journal.

**12/21** As painful as it may be to realize, I don't think accidents really happen. We may all be victims of random circumstance; but I choose a different orientation. As many times as I have felt like a pebble being bounced and thrown in a cascade of coincidence, I have also felt like a smooth stone skimming over glassy water. If you've ever spent time with a young person who declares: "that's so random!", you start to see nothing indeed is.

So it is with humble respect I note the **Lunar Eclipse** which occurs, depending on where you stand on Earth, the same day as the **Winter Solstice**. First, to highlight the eclipse. For the early-risers (or late-nighters) the entire event will be visible from North America. The point of exactness is at the critical degree of 29:21 Gemini. The Sabian Symbol is: "*A parade of bathing beauties before large beach crowds*". Instead of grabbing at the typical imagery this conjures, consider the verb *bathing*. The horoscope has a seductive Venus in Scorpio rising.

It is essential not to succumb to the glare that demands your attention. I expect there will be a lot of spin in the news at this time, which will distract most people from a pressing emergency. My concern is the pressure of a Grand Cross in the sky which may create an untenable situation. People/countries who are born in late mutable (just before the sign changed out of Gemini, Sagittarius, Virgo or Pisces) may be the most vulnerable to this stress.

The moon is VOC\* from 3:13 am to 4:22 am ET. Then it enters Cancer, which may cause for some an emotional hangover in the morning.

On the heels of the eclipse, the Winter Solstice sets up a promise for a new paradigm. The Sun enters Capricorn and demands a new work ethic, coupled with Pallas, North Node, Pluto and in opposition to the moon in Cancer. In the DC chart the moon is in the 12th, so in spite of the rhetoric of all the governing officials that the people's mandate is clear, the people are put in the house of the unconscious. Since the elections occurred with the Uranus opposition to the moon, it is highly likely that come the Spring Equinox

when Uranus reenters Aries, the people will come out of hiding.

As an individual, you can ritualize this time to map out or reenergize a project.

**12/22** Push your convictions and stay your course; a great day for achieving and meeting goals. Plan some time for a comforting meal you can sit down and enjoy. No matter how stressful the outer world may seem, if you can create a little harbor of sanity in your home, this is salve for the soul. If your home does not feel secure to you, find another place to be for the present.

**12/23** The moon is VOC\* from 2:25 am to 7:50 am ET. Once it enters Leo, bright lights may effect work environments as the playful, the child-like, the dramatic and the heroes get inspired. Although some big dreams may fade in the night, a zest for life is always to be celebrated. If however, you find yourself spending time with someone full of steam with no direction, point them somewhere constructive or step away.

**12/24 Christmas Eve** has a Leo moon which lends itself well to playtime and glamorous events. If you're feeling there's not enough (love or money), then step out of yourself and do some volunteering. The truth about our planet is there's always someone else who needs a hand more than you do. We all get into a "blue funk" at times, and midday ET may feel particularly raw for you.

If you can't do some good work today, reflect on when you last did and resolve to do some more after the holiday. I can guarantee you'll still be needed. Today, find a child to play with or a story you always love to hear. For me, George Bailey of *It's a Wonderful Life* always touches my heart. Maybe it's because I came from a family of entrepreneurs that never were highly successful at it. Or my own storefront which people loved but never made a profit.

Today it's important to reconcile what your needs are with what you want. If it's not happening in your life, than do the best you can to validate both. I wish you a beautiful Christmas Eve, however you play it, whether it's a sacred night for you or one for Chinese food and a movie in a pretty quiet theater. Peace on Earth and Good Will to All.

**12/25 Christmas** has a VOC\* moon from 4:28 - 10:14 am ET... Santa better be done by then! When the moon enters Virgo, it echoes a strong need for service that I see around this particular holiday year. Perhaps because of the economy and the ongoing wars, the usual frenzy of gifts and commercialism seems quieted down. Many people can connect in a profound way, which celebrates the soul's purpose and lends a sacred impact, regardless of faith.

**12/26 Kwanzaa** has a similar vibration to the day before, although the service orientation seems more active. It's possible ideas gestated on Christmas and take root to go forward on Kwanzaa. Feelings may be hurt in the evening, so pay attention to how sensitive subjects are broached. Then again, some topics are hard to talk about with tact and simply must be said.

**12/27** Sleeping late is a great idea, because people tend to "miss" more than they hit in mood. If you are up and out early, pay attention to what's around you because minds are not where they should be (like concentrating on the road) . The moon is VOC\* from 7:20

an to 12:38 pm ET.

Once it enters Libra, the desire to relate increases, but the mine field in the evening may derail romantic plans. Nonetheless, if you can stay with the hard parts of the conversation, you may achieve eventual resolution.

**12/28** Communication may be a bit rocky, especially in the afternoon ET. Keep in mind words are irretrievable once they leave your lips or the email hits "send". Even a Facebook quote lives in the mind of anyone who saw it before the post was removed. A lot can be accomplished today. It's important to push past any frustration and align yourself with the work that must be done.

**12/29** Wonderful connections can be made with like-minded people. Fabulous morning for networking or spiritual refreshment. Spend the **Moon VOC\* from 10:05 am-3:49 pm ET** with someone whose company you love or work on decluttering or an ongoing creative project. Then when the moon enters Scorpio be prepared for a switch in focus and a desire to direct your attention on a project that captivates your interest.

**12/30** **Mercury goes direct at 2:21 am ET**, so you may experience a bit of restlessness in your sleep. This is a very powerful day for deep connections with people and financial insight. If you're willing to go where the journey takes you without having to control how, there's no telling how high you can fly.

**12/31** You can accomplish a great deal in the morning ET, especially if you have focus. The **Moon is VOC\* from 2:57 pm to 8:21 pm ET**. When it enters Sagittarius your party mood may increase. Eat, drink and be merry but since the mood is prone to excess, do your best to remember your personal limitations for indulgence or the piper must be paid! It is best to begin 2011 with a smile when you wake.