

MOON CYCLE

The first New Moon of Spring occurs in the sign of Aries on Sunday, April 15th. Aries is a fire sign. Ruled by Mars, Aries is all about action and getting things going, sometimes impulsively or without forethought. Aries follows his gut over his brain, and is always questing. In an Aries cycle, you'll likely be exploring questions of individuality and its expression.

KEYWORDS FOR ARIES: will, assertion, directness, forthrightness, aggression, war, instinct, independence, leadership, expression of anger, defense, confidence and frustration.

At the Full Moon on April 29th, the Moon will be in the sign of Scorpio and the Sun in Taurus, asking you to integrate their energies into whatever Aries has shown you. Scorpio asks you to dig deep for the truth so that you can be empowered. Taurus is more stable and less psychologically demanding, asking you to define your values and prove what you're worth in the material world.

KEYWORDS FOR SCORPIO/TAURUS: digging for the truth, power, trust, empowerment, sexuality, abuse of power, values, resources, skills, self-worth, money, proving the self, materialism.

SYMBOLS FOR THIS CYCLE

MOON and SUN at 27 Aries, conjunct URANUS at 29 Aries, and square to PLUTO at 22 Capricorn

MOON - emotions/subconscious

SUN - ego/conscious self

"THROUGH IMAGINATION A LOST OPPORTUNITY IS REGAINED."

Revision of attitude and inner reevaluation. The disciple fails in his test, or at least it seems to him that he has failed. Actually the "failure" may have been

meant by his guru to be a challenge to the emergence of a new capacity. At this stage it may be difficult to distinguish success from failure. The development of UNDAUNTED FAITH in the pursuit of one's ideals.

URANUS - ability to be free and unencumbered/the rebel

"THE MUSIC OF THE SPHERES."

Attunement to cosmic order. LISTEN TO THE INNER VOICE without personalizing this voice in a glamour-producing manner. It is the voice of the Whole, of which one begins to realize that one is a tiny little part - yet a significant part, for every note of the universal chord has its place and its ineradicable meaning.

PLUTO - empowerment/ sexuality/abuse of power

"BY ACCEPTING DEFEAT GRACEFULLY, A GENERAL REVEALS NOBILITY OF CHARACTER."

The realization that one may grow through defeat as well as, and perhaps more than, through success. What matters most always is INNER STRENGTH.

What do these symbols mean to you? How are these energies influencing your life?