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**Happy Birthday Leo the Lion! For those born between July 23 - Aug 23rd**

The Key Phrase is: I ROAR...oops...only teasing ☺.

**Applause, applause!!**...Leo's love an audience and will often position themselves to be the center of attention. They have a keen need to feel appreciated and to accomplish something in life they feel proud of. Leo is a masculine, fixed (steady and determined), fire (intuitive, fiery) sign located in the 2nd quadrant (other oriented/inter-personal) of the Western Hemisphere of the chart. Because Leo resides in the 5th house of the zodiac and is ruled by our Sun, our life force, ego ideal, our future, children, creativity, romance are most important to Leo. Leo loves romance and will shine brightly in most relationships...so long as they are viewed as "King". They can be incredibly charming and have a fun, child-like carefree attitude. Leo is the King of the Jungle!! (or Queen of the office!) The luminary ruling the sign of Leo is our life giving Sun. The Sun shines brightly during the day sky with our moon goddess absorbing his light to reflect back to us in the evening, once the Sun has disappeared from view.

The sign of Leo rules the spine, back and the heart. The heart is associated with emotions and love and Leo's can be absolutely devoted to those they love. The heart chakra is our life force where harmony and trust resides for yourself and others. When our heart chakra is "open" we are flexible and able to both give and receive love. We are open to change and new ideas which leads to personal growth. When feeling hurt, Leo will retreat to their "cave". When our heart chakra is not open we are not able to receive or give love and become off balance.

The glyph/symbol for the sign of Leo is often associated with kundalini energy. This energy is coiled at the base of the spine and is our vital energy.

Since the sign of Leo is symbolic of the Lion I want to celebrate the sign of Leo as symbolic of all cats...large and small. If you stroke Leo the right way (stroking fur in one direction) you will hear Leo purrrrrrr... When cat's purr they show contentment. They do not want their fur fluffed in the wrong direction though! Lions are very protective of their cubs (children). If Leo is prominent in your chart, children will be of primary importance to you.

Leo's polar opposite (5th house - romance, children, creativity, gambling) is the fixed, air sign Aquarius (11<sup>th</sup> house - friendships, organizations, associations, hopes and wishes). The integration of romance, children, and creative outlets versus independence, individuality, friendships and associations are some areas of life for Leo, also contingent upon other areas of the birth chart. When under stress each sign will operate through the most negative characteristics of their polar opposite....the sign 180 degrees opposite itself. In this case, when under stress, Leo can become erratic, unpredictable and extremely willful and can not be tied down at all...just like airy Aquarius, the water bearer, ruled by the iconoclast planet Uranus. Aquarians often seem distant or cool as they are an air sign and tend to "think" their emotions. At a past AFA conference, I attended a lecture by Kelly Lee Phipps. He's quite an entertaining speaker and an Aquarian himself. He described Aquarius and the Water Bearer symbol like this: The Water Bearer is holding this jug of water, he doesn't know what to do with this water (EMOTIONS), looks around and decides "who needs this?" and tosses the water over his shoulder! Well, when under stress, Leo will toss whatever is troubling him/her over the shoulder too. This can be any emotional issue, but more than likely concerning a relationship/romantic partner.

The sound of a cat purring is soothing and healing. See the article A Cats Purr at this site: <http://paulapeterson.com/CatsPurr.html>

**Famous Leos:** Jacqueline Kennedy-Onassis, Socialite, born July 28<sup>th</sup>, David Sanborn, Jazz-fusion Saxophonist, July 30<sup>th</sup>; Carroll O'Connor, Archie Bunker on All in the Family born August 2<sup>nd</sup>, Martin Sheen, Actor, August 3<sup>rd</sup>; Jean Paiget, Child Psychologist, August 9<sup>th</sup>; Alfred Hitchcock, Film Director born August 13; Madonna, Performer born August 16; Robert De Niro, Actor, Mae West, Actress both on August 17, Bill Clinton, Former U.S. President born August 19<sup>th</sup>.

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### **THE STRENGTH Card - Number VIII - Leo**

**In The Tarot deck, card #8** - is symbolic of the sign of Leo. Here you have a lovely naked woman standing next to a Lion. She is stroking his regal mane, as he appears to be purring like a little kitten!! ☺ This IS Leo! The King of the Jungle can be tamed if you stroke his fur in the right direction. Have you ever pet a real kitty's fur in the wrong direction? They look at you in such away as to imply "HOW DARE YOU!!!" "I am the King or Queen and I expect to be treated the same!" Well...this is Leo!! Just don't rub their fur the wrong way.

The Strength card represents strength, determination and power. However, in the picture you have a gentle woman, unarmed and without protective armor (unlike the Chariot in card #7 which is "outer strength and will"). This woman overcomes the lion with her quiet strength, the power emanating from within. This card is symbolic of the inner power of the human spirit to overcome all obstacles.

Often this can symbolize calming the beast within as with psychotherapy. Strength, which is essentially female, tunes into her intuition to keep the lion (our unconscious desires) calm and in control. The lion in this card is also symbolic of the courage to encounter powerful forces, to place fear aside and to claim our own power.

When Strength appears in a reading, creative thinking, speaking with honesty and truthfulness are combined to promote the ego and ethical behavior. Taming passions, courage, determination, generosity and having an open heart are indicated.

Negatively, domination, lack of control, wasting time and self indulgence would be possibilities.

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### **STRONG RIPE BERRIES MOON (Sturgeon)**

In Native American Astrology, those born from July 23 - August 23rd are born during the Ripe Berries Moon! You belong to the Thunderbird Clan. Your plant totem is the Raspberry and their animal totem is the Sturgeon! Are you familiar with the sturgeon?? A sturgeon is a really big fish...actually...the KING of fishes! It's a very old and ancient fish that surfaced around the years just after the dinosaurs. Beneath the surface, Sturgeon people are usually very sensitive. They hide this well with their great big smile. Because of their keen intuition and perceptions, they usually feel what others are feeling and can be easily hurt.

The color for this sign is red that is associated with the heart and blood and with their gemstone, the Garnet. Garnet is believed to have the vibration power to balance sexual energies. The color red can also symbolize erratic action, excessive pride, sensuality and sexuality, greed and selfishness for those less evolved Leo's/Sturgeon's ☺ People who are of this color tend to have nervous problems during their life.

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### **August, 2005**

**Our Moon changes signs approximately every 2 ½ days.**

**August 5, 2005: New Moon 12 Leo 48'** - A New Moon is always a good time to start a new project or work on areas of your life you've placed on hold. New beginnings are associated with New Moons. In Leo, your children, creativity, drama, romance and social life may be highlighted. The spine and heart are ruled by Leo.

**August 17, 2005 - Venus enters Libra.** Venus in Libra seeks relationship and partnership. Relating is fair and just and seeks balance in romance.

**August 19, 2005: Full Moon 26 Aquarius 19.** A full moon is a culmination of energy from the last New Moon, approximately 14 days earlier. In the fixed, air sign of Aquarius; this is a positive time to manifest what you desire in your friendships and groups. Finances of your employer and your hopes and wishes for the future may take priority.

**August 23, 2005 - Sun Enters Mercury-ruled Virgo - Happy Birthday Virgo!** Virgo is a mutable (changeable/flexible) and will be discussed in next month's issue of Lunar Notes.

**Mercury in Leo Retrogrades (rx) from July 23<sup>rd</sup> until August 16<sup>th</sup>.** Mercury in Leo has a need to be heard and will embellish to get their point across. With Mercury turning backwards communications are garbled or misconstrued. Double check your fax and voice mails, back up your computer, expect delays in transportation and just give yourself a little extra time getting to your appointments. Try to not schedule surgery or medical tests as they could be misread and have to be retaken. Mercury starts the month at 16 Leo 59, turns direct on the 16<sup>th</sup> at 6 Leo' and ends the month at 22 Leo 32'.

**Mars is in fixed, earthy Taurus** - In Taurus, Mars feel a little stifled at first. He is slow to warm up. Yet once he gets moving he begins to pick up strength and endurance and is in it for the long haul. Mars starts the month at 02 Taurus 27' and ends the month at 16 Taurus 55'.

**Jupiter in Libra begins the month at 13 Libra 22' and ends the month at 18 Libra 24'.** In the Venus ruled sign of Libra, Jupiter is expansive, loving and warm in love matters. Relationships are reviewed and highlighted while Jupiter transits in Libra.

**Saturn in Leo** - Saturn is all about our physical structures, restrictions and limitations as well as boundaries. Our outer skin is one of these boundaries that keep us "together". Saturn rules the skin, knees and skeletal structures. Saturn is also about our commitments to our personal structure and karma. If you have not acted with integrity or been responsible, Saturn will make you aware of it by creating some limitation, boundary or lesson to re-learn. If you have been working hard, Saturn will possibly set up a task in which you need to prove yourself. Saturn rewards those who have worked hard through difficult times. Saturn entered the sign of Leo on July 17<sup>th</sup>. Saturn in Leo will restructure what we know about patriarchy, parenting, responsibility, excessive pride and the ego.

**Uranus in Pisces Retrograde** - Uranus starts the month at 09 Pisces 55' and will end the month at 08 Pisces 48'. For instance, when Uranus transits opposite natal Venus, you may encounter a new love or the break up of an existing relationship. If you have a daughter, she may prove more rebellious or in need of freedom. If Uranus is transiting opposite natal Mercury, you may feel more restless and not require as much sleep. You may have sudden flashes of insight. Do not be surprised and the quickness to which you act and respond to events and people in your life when Uranus makes contact with your personal planets. With Uranus in backward motion, the need to turn inward is greater. Keen insights are likely.

**Neptune continues to retrograde beginning the month at 16 Aquarius 23'.** If you have planets in conjunction (the same sign and approximately the same degree) opposition to this degree (Leo) or in square (Scorpio and Taurus) you will feel the illusive effects of Neptune's transit the most over time. The dissolution of boundaries and illusions or the uncovering of the truth will be revealed when Neptune transits your personal planets. Neptune ends up at 15 Aquarius 36' by months end.

**Pluto retrograde starts the month at 22 Sagittarius 04'.** Pluto is in a fire sign burning holes in belief systems that no longer suit our life purpose. Pluto is all about personal power and regeneration, throwing out the old and bringing in the new, oftentimes after a complete overhaul! Pluto in Sagittarius is dogmatic and reveals religious, political and philosophical truths. Purging false beliefs in these areas of life has been ongoing. When Pluto's energy turns inward we begin to own our own power and looking within for a better understanding of our subconscious urges. Inward there is incredible regenerative psychological power. Pluto will end the month at 21 Sagittarius 49'.

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#### **SABIAN SYMBOL'S:**

For those of you unfamiliar with the Sabian Symbol, the original Sabian Symbols were written in 1931 by Marc Edmond Jones. Dane Rudhyar later revised the symbols and others have re-interpreted the symbols periodically. Lynda Hill writes one of my favorite modern interpretations. The basis of these symbols is derived from the 360 degrees in the zodiacal circle. Each sign of the zodiac: Aries, Taurus, Gemini and so forth, is comprised of 30 degrees. Since there are 12 signs in the zodiac, that would be 12 signs X 30 degrees = 360 degrees. There are 360 Sabian Symbols and each symbol coincides with and describes each degree of the zodiac. If you know your birth chart, utilizing these symbols for each of your planetary placements is rather telling and will provide you with greater insight into your own character traits and motivations.

#### **NEW MOON August 5, 2005 - 12 Leo 48'**

New Moon = New Beginnings. New Moons augur a time to start new projects. Seeds (ideas and positive energy) planted during a New Moon will culminate and flourish during the Full Moon. In the sign of Leo, changes are outward. The spine and heart are health issues for Leo.

#### **SABIAN SYMBOL for 13 LEO:**

#### **AN OLD SEA CAPTAIN ROCKING ON THE PORCH OF HIS COTTAGE**

A Sea Captain has probably had many fascinating experiences and tales to tell. This is a time for self reflection and looking back on his life work. Memories and remembering days gone by, people who have crossed his path, savoring his old life are symbolic. Reminiscing.

Journaling ones thoughts and life experiences comes to mind. Retirement, starting a new life and publishing are all possibilities.

### **FULL MOON AUGUST 19, 2005 - 26 Aquarius 50'**

With a Full Moon, we see a culmination or coming to a head the seeds planted during the previous New Moon cycle. Lunar ruled Cancer is usually more affected by a Full Moon and especially in her own sign. Since the August 19th Full Moon falls in the sign of Aquarius, this lunar energy will be emphasized. Aquarius is a fixed, air (mental) sign resides in the 11th house of the natural zodiac, ruled by unpredictable Uranus. If this Full Moon conjuncts (same approximate degree) or opposes (180 degrees opposite) a natal planet, you will be more likely to experience the affects of this Full Moon in the area of life (houses) it is located in your birth chart.

### **SABIAN SYMBOL FOR 27 AQUARIUS:**

#### **AN ANCIENT POTTERY BOWL FILLED WITH FRESH VIOLETS**

This symbol combines the old tried and true with the new and beautiful. Violets are dainty and are purple in color symbolic of royalty. Violets are utilized in flower essences, and their deep purple dyes used for stain. Beautiful reminders of days passed and recalled are depicted in this symbol.

Taking a "fresh" approach to an old problem or filling your "bowl" with new ideas is possible.



### **SOUL MATES/RELATIONSHIPS:**

#### **The Leo/Aquarius Ascendant/Descendant Relationship Axis (1<sup>st</sup> house/7<sup>th</sup> house)**

As mentioned in past issues, knowing your partners 7<sup>th</sup> house cusp (the relationship house) and the ruler of that house will indicate the type of partner you may attract or are attracted to and the method of relating within a relationship.

The Ascendant or Rising sign is the sign rising on the horizon at the time of birth. This is the face we show the world, our "mask" for which our Sun hides behind. This is our outer personality, temperament and disposition as well as our early environment growing up. It is the way others see us and also gives indication of our physical appearance. The ruler of the Ascendant and the aspects (connections to other planets in your birth chart) further delineate and define your appearance.

The Descendant, or 7<sup>th</sup> house cusp, its ruler and the aspects it makes in your birth chart, is symbolic of the type of partner you are attracted to. The 7<sup>th</sup> house is the house of partnerships of all types including marriage and legal contracts yet also considered the house of open enemies or the Defendant in a law suit.

For example, Leo Rising people are self aware, warm and stylish. Their personal appearance is important to them and they seek lots of attention. Their natural enthusiasm, energy and optimism is magnetic. You can recognize a Leo Ascendant by their hair, straight posture and their great big smile. They make good Managers and are natural promoters....even if they are prone to temper tantrums~!

In relationships Leo rising has a strong ego and self image. There is an air of royalty and Leo's are very proud. In love, this placement would require mutual independence within marriage as both Leo and Aquarius have powerful wills. Often love relationships are impersonal and involve mutual growth. Sexually Leo may be prone to voyeurism and/or domination.

With Aquarius in the Descendant, attraction to an unusual, independent, future oriented and progressive individual is likely. Astrologers come under this heading! Aquarius is impersonal, freedom-loving and unique and is often erratic and creative in love. The old expression "Absence makes the heart grow fonder" epitomizes the Leo/Aquarius Axis. Writer/Psychologist John Gray who wrote his famous Mars/Venus books discusses how men are like rubber bands while women are like waves in relationships. The rubber band concept is explained in that men in love typically need distance and space in between and will pull away from a love relationship and then bounce back....like a rubber band so long as you don't interfere with the process of their departure. Rubber bands can stretch too far and snap or lose their elasticity. Again, this clearly illustrates the intimacy requirement of Leo (Sun)/Aquarius (Uranus) duality. Leo will want you close and will make sure they are the center of your attention, then in the same breath need their space. The come here, get away from me dynamic is ever present.

Baby when you're gone...I realize I'm in love..  
The days go on and on..  
And the nights seem sooo long.  
Even food don't taste so good...Drink aint doin what it should  
Things just feel so wrong....baby when you're gone.  
Yeah...this is torture - this is pain - it feels like I'm gonna go insane  
I hope you're coming back real soon -cuz I don't know what to do  
- Bryan Adams - When You're Gone

Whatever we do not own and acknowledge in ourselves (Ascendant) we will attract externally (Descendant) to mirror our desires and teach us necessary lessons in relating.

Knowing the date, time and place of birth is important in making the determination of the Ascendant or Rising sign, the sign rising on the horizon at the time of birth, which set up all the other house cusps that are the divisions of the houses or areas of life.

Next month I will discuss the mutable Virgo/Pisces Axis.

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Love,

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