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**Happy Birthday Cancer! The Moon-Child!** For those born between **June 21 - July 22nd**

The Key Phrase is: I Nurture.

The astrological glyph is the Crab in the shape of a sideways 69. Numerologically the number 69 reduces to the number 6 (6 + 9 = 15 or 1 + 5 = 6) or The Lovers card in the Tarot Deck. Cancer is a cardinal (action oriented, initiator), water (emotion, sensitive, feeling) sign located in the 2nd quadrant (other oriented/inter-personal) of the Western Hemisphere of the chart. Because Cancer resides in the 4th house of the zodiac and is ruled by our satellite The Moon: emotions, feelings, children, ancestry, cooking and the home are most important to Cancer. Emotional comfort and personal security in the home is critical to a Cancer. The Moon is often called a "light" or "luminary". In astrological circles, she is symbolic of our instinctual emotional nature, how we may or may not have been nurtured as a child and our "perception" of our own mother and how our emotional needs either were or were not met early in life. "She" is the Moon and feminine principle (yin) in nature and linked to the astrological sign of Cancer. She is receptive as she retreats during the day, hidden from view, and absorbs the light of her partner, The Sun, to reflect

that light back to us in the evening, once the Sun has disappeared from view. She might be considered the "shadow".

Cancer is caring, responsible, romantic, sensitive and sensual in their romantic relationships. There isn't anything Cancer won't do for their partner and loved ones. They are generous with their time, love and possessions once trust is developed. As with each of the water signs (Pisces and Scorpio), trust is critical. Security and loyalty are most important to Cancer folks which are why betrayal in love has such a devastating effect on them. Scorpio's might say "Don't get mad, get even", yet a Cancer never forgets...and some say they never forgive the emotional betrayal although rationally they do. Considered to be old-fashioned maintaining traditional values, Cancer's are sentimental and often save and collect just about everything. They are the people who stay in contact with old friends and save memorabilia from the past. Their memories and intuition are acute and store past emotional memories and impressions with acute accuracy and detail. They are most devoted to their mate and family, specifically their brood.

Cancer the crab has a hard outer shell and a very soft interior. Crabs crawl into their shells when they are frightened and will move at a slow and constant pace. If you watch a crab move he tends to move from side to side, not front to back. This symbolism is often prominent in those who lunar ruled as the often will not confront a problem or person straight on. Sometimes it is about the way in which one deals with conflict that is most prominent. Remember Cancer is a cardinal sign, so it's about timing within the emotional waters or tides. When the Sun is in the sign of Cancer it combines the union of opposites both Solar and Lunar energy, the masculine and feminine. In the book *Mythic Astrology* by Guttman and Johnson, when a person is born under the sign of Cancer it said to be "the sign of the "mystic marriage", the union of alchemical opposites". For this reason, Cancer people are said to be psychic for they are very open to universal energies.

Lunar-ruled Cancer in health issues relates to the breasts and stomach. These body parts relate to the nurturing instinct ie: breasts for feeding babies and the stomach for feeling full - of food and sustenance. When we think of the disease Cancer and the proliferation of Breast Cancer in women, we see women who give too much and don't speak up for themselves and for those whose needs are not met. As a result, the pattern becomes so internalized that a disease develops to render the 'giver" incapable of giving because they are too ill to give. The reverse happens where the "nurturer" becomes the one requiring nurturing.

Don't ever believe that Cancer is weak. That would be your first and last mistake! Cancer is an intuitive cardinal sign and do not doubt that these folks are tenacious and persevere under the worst of circumstances. Emotional depth perception is bestowed upon Cancer's and energized by the Moon's radiant reflection.

Believe me it's hard to turn the other cheek  
Faithful and kind  
Might be confused for weak  
...an innocent streak.

I'm learning a lot from you  
making me stronger each time you think  
I've been beat  
Whatever you scatter you reap  
But down deep

Defeat me, shame and mistreat me  
All that I wish you is love  
Despise me, lie criticize me  
All that I wish you is love

I may not forget, but I forgive you  
If it happens again  
The way that I grew, I owe it to you  
I have you to thank

- "I Wish You" by Gloria Estefan

Cancer's polar opposite (4th house - home, our ancestral roots, end of the matter, children, family food and nurturing) is the cardinal, earth sign Capricorn (10<sup>th</sup> house- career, public reputation). The integration of home and family versus work and the public is one area of life for Cancer, 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, Cancer can become cold as ice, willful and decisive...just like earthy Capricorn (the Sea Goat) ruled by planet Saturn. Remember too that Saturn is the ancient ruler of Aquarius and you can add that "flavor" to the above interpretation. Aquarians often seem distant or cool as they are an air sign and tend to "think" their emotions.



If you have your...

**Moon in Cancer:** Mother was often seen as the proverbial "mother", preparing meals, washing clothes and performing perfunctory household tasks. Her emotions waxed and waned and were intuitively felt by you. There is an emotional need to retreat when under stress and to be nurtured and mothered. There exists an emotional need to care for children. You are imaginative, sympathetic, protective, possessive, refined, gentle, receptive, moody, critical and loyal. This is an impressionable moon.

**Mercury in Cancer:** You are intuitive and prefer to discuss your feelings in conversation. Changing thoughts create changing moods and visa versa. Possess a keen imagination and an excellent, retentive memory.

**Venus in Cancer:** Values security in love. You want to be pursued by a partner in a relationship because you require reassurance that your partner wants you enough to go after you. You are a romantic, sentimental and sensitive partner. Poetry. Loves to care about and for children and cooking. Content to stay home.

**Mars in Cancer:** Desires security in a partner. You can be willful and react with emotional outbursts and temper tantrums. Carpenters and home improvement specialists. Nurturing professions. Chefs. The sexual act depends upon the "mood" and this will change like the phases of the moon. Passion is contingent upon what is received from the partner.

**Favorite Cancerians:** Hermann Hesse, German Visionary Novelist, July 2, Tom Cruise, Actor, July 3, Ann Landers, Advice Columnist and Geraldo Rivera, TV Talk Show host, July 4, Sylvester Stallone July 6, Marc Chagall, Russian/Jewish Painter July 7<sup>th</sup>, Dancer Ginger Rogers born July 16<sup>th</sup>, Film Actor James Cagney born July 17<sup>th</sup>, Carlos Santana, Guitarist/Musician born July 20, Ernest Hemingway, Author, Cat Stevens, Musician/Songwriter and Robin Williams, Actor/Comedian, Lorraine Valente (me), Astrologer/Writer all born on July 21. ☺



**THE CHARIOT - Number VII - Cancer**

**In The Tarot deck, card #7 - The Chariot** is symbolic of the nurturing depth of Cancer. The Chariot is the director of his own destiny so long as he stays focused along his path. He is in control and holds the reins of his feelings. He leads the way with his unwavering focus, ambition and determination. He does seem anxious to get to where he wants to go, which isn't always where he needs to be. Sometimes his focus and determination will be to his detriment. It's always important to look up from time to time to see what is going on around you. Over ambitious and excessive desire to pursue and reach a goal "at any cost" can sometimes be the "not seeing the forest from the trees" and actually sabotage one's goals rather than achieve them!

The black and white Sphinx's are symbolic of opposing forces that need to be blended together. Each color wants to move in a different direction and it is the Charioteer's job to prevent this with his powers of concentration, focus and determination. Sometimes decisions are made with black and white thinking rather than seeing the shades of gray. Balance and compromise to the middle ground is required when this card appears.

Being sensitive to the feelings of others, creative problem solving and keeping emotions in check with intellect are also symbolic in the Chariot.

When I see this card I have a sense of the blending of yin and yang, feminine and

masculine energies we possess. The Chariot in a reading gently reminds us of this need to blend our assertive and receptive energies. Androgyny is implied. He also symbolizes the destiny we make for ourselves as well as our inward journey. He is also considered a workaholic, actively exerting control over his environment.

Other keywords are: Asserting self, concentrating energies, fixating on a goal, ego focus, looking out for your interests, not permitting distractions to sway you, rising above temptations, curbing impulses, determined to succeed, being receptive, self-mastery and male and female energies are in balance.



### **STRONG SUN MOON (Flicker)**

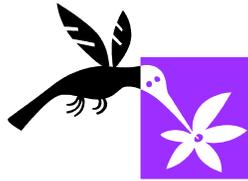
In Native American Astrology, those born from **June 21 - July 22nd** are born under the Strong Sun Moon and their animal totem is the **Flicker** or **Woodpecker**. Their color is **pink** and they are part of the **Frog Elemental Clan**. The flicker is a member of the woodpecker family and is known for its perseverance and relentlessness in the face of something it desires or needs for its security or children. The flicker is quick, precise and detail oriented.

"The name of the flicker actually comes from one of the sounds it makes. It can make a variety of sounds, and during mating season it displays great musical talents. Their drumming it makes is also tied to the mysteries of music and rhythm, and anyone with a flicker as a totem should begin to study the use of percussion instruments i.e.: Drums and rattles." Ted Andrews-Animal Speak. Flicker people are home oriented. Having a comfortable and beautiful home is important to Flickers. They function best when their home; physical, emotional or mental is attractive and running smoothly.

The **carnelian** agate is their mineral totem. Carnelian was the first hard stone engraved in ancient times. Because of its color, carnelian has been associated with blood. It was considered to be a stone used in emergencies and useful in healing people. It was thought to be able to stop blood flowing from wounds. Because of its color, it is also associated with the heart. The stone is often given as a pledge of love.

The Woodpecker was known to the Romans as the bird of the god Mars. Because it has powerful neck muscles and with his persistence makes it possible for them to dig in wood for bugs. They are also able to climb up and down trees without a problem. I have seen a woodpecker outside of my window in my yard and he usually hangs upside down on the bark of the tree! They are quite the acrobat. "In Greece and Rome, woodpeckers symbolized war, destruction, sudden attacks and storms. Germans called it the Little King in the West and the "King of Birds", Animal Majick by D. J. Conway.

Woodpeckers are also symbolic of prophecy, rhythm, good luck, a warning for impending trouble or the opportunity to manifest healing love.



"If someone is hurting us, we need to stand up for ourselves. We have a responsibility to set boundaries and take care of ourselves. But we do not need to justify taking care of ourselves by condemning someone else. We can avoid the trap of focusing on others instead of ourselves."

- Melody Beattie

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## SOUL MATES/RELATIONSHIPS:

### Relationship Needs - Other Oriented versus Self Oriented

The astrological chart is designed like a pizza pie cut into 12 slices. If we cut the pie/chart in the center from left (East) to right (West) we would form the Ascendant/Descendant relationship axis. (this direction is the reverse of what we are taught about traditional direction) The East is symbolic of your personal needs and the West would be the needs of the relationship or partner. When we cut the chart from bottom, North, center (IC) to the top, South, center (MC) we form the 4<sup>th</sup> house/10<sup>th</sup> house axis of home versus work and private versus public needs. Divisions of the chart hemispheres as indicated above assists in determining whether you are more "relationship" oriented or more "self" oriented. Planets located in the Western portion of the chart are relationship and "other" oriented. These signs are the signs of Cancer, Leo, Virgo, Libra, Scorpio and Sagittarius. Planets located in the Eastern hemisphere of the chart are more "Self" oriented. These signs are (Capricorn, Aquarius, Pisces, Aries, Taurus and Gemini. It is ideal to have a balance of planets in both hemispheres as this indicates a healthy approach to relationships and the inherent ability to meet not only your own needs, but the needs of your partner.

When the majority of planets reside in the Western hemisphere, this person might not have enough self confidence to take a stand in a relationship. Co-dependency is set up where the needs of the partner take precedence over the need to take care for the self when it may be inappropriate to care for the other at the expense of you. Having a majority of planets in the Western hemisphere, you may feel more insecure and lack confidence in relating, always considering the other first, again, even when it is detrimental to yourself to do so. This individual may become overly involved in the lives of others leaving no room left for them selves. This could also be the person that everyone asks favors of, is

taken advantage of and who doesn't know how to say "no" because of the need to feel needed. Blurred boundaries are possible with an overabundance of planets in the West.

However, if those planets are mostly in the masculine planets of fire and air, this can produce extreme impatience when the personal needs are thwarted or not immediately gratified. This person could be demanding or selfish or unrealistic in their expectations of others.

Having the majority of planets in the Eastern hemisphere would show a person who is overly independent. These people are so interested in having their own needs met they may be completely unaware of their partners needs or even have an interest in attempting to fill them. It is so important to be able to communicate love and appreciation to the person we care about and are involved with. When there are hemisphere imbalances between a two people, the imbalance will be a potential source of conflict yet the opportunity for a tremendous amount of growth.

Eastern hemisphere people rarely turn to others for help. There is a level of pride in their independence. It can be very difficult to achieve true emotional intimacy with a person who has an overwhelming number of planets in the East. Knowing which hemisphere your partner's planets are located will provide clues to relating and conflict resolution that is critical to the maintenance of a long term committed relationship.

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IMPORTANT TRANSITS:

Sun Enters Cancer

June 21, 2007

Happy Birthday Cancer! Summer Solstice-Midsummer

New Moon

July 14, 2007

21 Cancer 41' - New Beginnings!

Venus Enters Virgo

July 15, 2007

Venus turns retrograde 2 Virgo

July 27, 2007

Venus turns retrograde at 2 Virgo. Okay, this is tricky transit. Those who are in a committed relationship may encounter

some difficulties. This is not a good time to meet a new or potential partner. Venus is what we are attracted to and what we most value. Under this transit we don't feel particularly attractive. In meeting new people we may not feel attraction towards them or not feel the desired simpatico. Something just doesn't feel quite right. It is a wonderful time to shop for antiques! You just might locate a "find" that is undervalued. Purchase of jewelry or adornments is not suggested as what you felt was attractive at the time of purchase is often denied once Venus turns direct. Venus turns direct on September 8, 2007 at 16 Leo 35'.

Full Moon

July 30, 2007 06 Aquarius 31' Culmination of energy from the last New Moon.

Mercury Retrograde

June 16, 2007 11 Cancer 35' Rx
July 10, 2007 02 Cancer 08' direct

Jupiter turned retrograde

April 6, 2007 19 Sagittarius 46' Rx
August 7, 2007 09 Sagittarius 09' Direct

Uranus turns retrograde

June 23, 2007 18 Pisces 41' Rx
Nov. 24, 2007 14 Pisces 46' Direct

Neptune turned retrograde

May 24, 2007 22 Aquarius 02' Rx
October 31, 2007 19 Aquarius 14' Direct

Neptune is associated with dreams, deception, fantasy, denial, drugs and additions, oceans, the feet, secrets, psychic and clairvoyant abilities and immune system disorders.

Pluto turned retrograde

March 31 2007 28° Sagittarius 58' Rx
Direct Sept. 07 26° Sagittarius 18' Direct (conjunct Galactic Center)

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Thank you to all the people who have written in through the soul mate website recently and sharing your birth data and stories with me. If anyone has experience with an acquaintance with **Borderline Personality Disorder** and can provide birth data for a loved one or friend with Borderline Personality Disorder (BPD), or **PTSD** - Post Traumatic Stress Disorder, names are not necessary and data will be held confidential, please e-mail me directly with the word BPD in the subject heading of your mail to [FuchsiaStars@aol.com](mailto:FuchsiaStars@aol.com) and I will e-mail you what I need for the research for future lectures on BPD.

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Have a wonderful month! Your questions and comments are always welcome.

Love,

Lorraine

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