



The Astrology Letter

January 12, 2026

Welcome to the Jan 12th *Astrology Letter*.

In the last issue of this Letter I stated:

The New Year will start with some emotion-changing planetary transits and lunar positioning. Heliocentric Venus is currently 180-degrees opposite to Earth. Venus and Earth will be at exact opposition on Jan 6, 2026 and will be out of aspect by Jan 10th. From Jan 1-3rd, Moon will be at its maximum declination.

As Venus and Earth move away from being in aspect, Earth and Jupiter will take up a 0-degree conjunction (Jan 10 to 15th). During this span of time, Moon will be at its declination minimum.

This will be followed by Mercury passing 180-degrees to Earth (Jan 18 to 23rd). Mercury and Venus will then pass 0-degrees conjunct to one another from Jan 24 to 28th. This will immediately be followed by Moon at its declination maximum from Jan 29 to 30th.

Emotional indeed... We have now seen a dramatic unfolding of events in Venezuela. Annexation of Greenland is now on the table (again). Even the possible collapse of NATO is being openly discussed.

S&P 500 Update

Bayer's Rule 11-A (see chart on following page) is pointing to a date around February 22-23. Bayer's Rule 10-A is pointing to the middle of next week (January 20-21). This will align with the mid-point of the Mercury axial spin cycle (58.65 days) which is one of the key cycles that underpins the S&P 500.

Look carefully at the following chart and notice the gap in late December. Markets have a peculiar way of backtracking and filling gaps just we least expect it. This week, Earth and Jupiter (heliocentric) are at a conjunction while Moon is at its declination low. Emotions will continue to be volatile this week and into next week as well.



S&P 500

Nasdaq Update



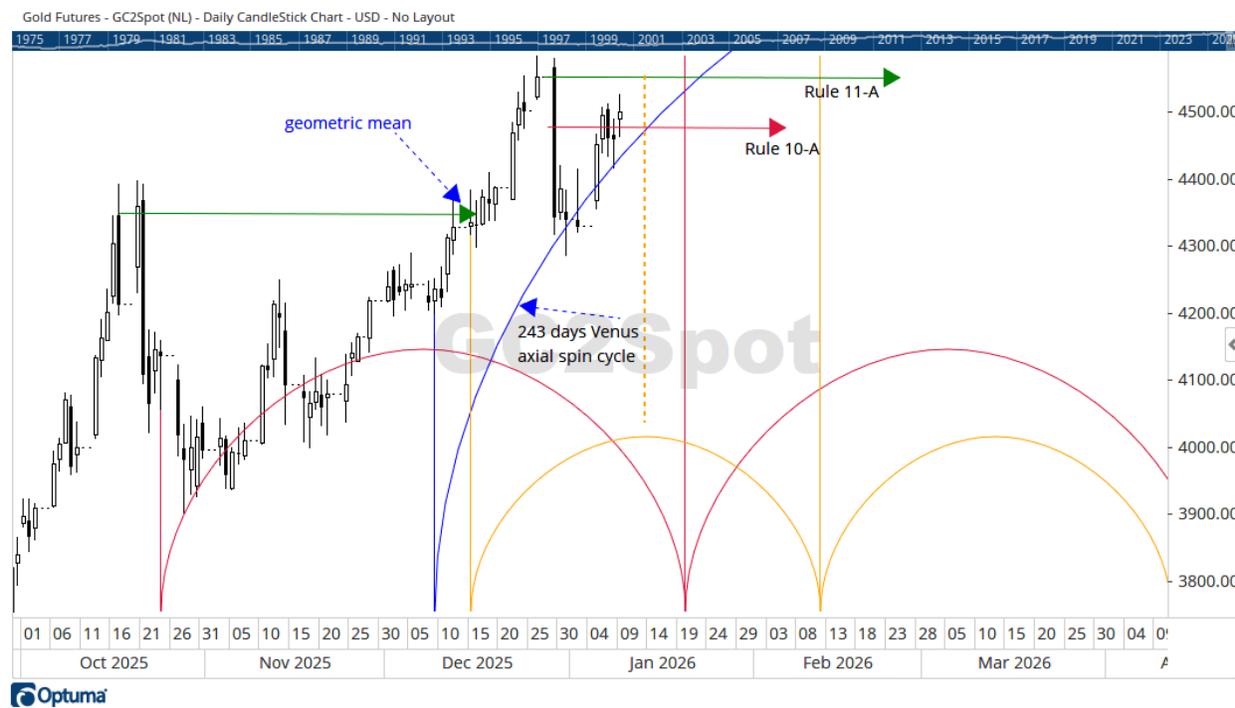
Nasdaq

The above chart has been fitted with cycle arcs (blue = 225 days, red = 58.65 days). In addition, Bayer's Rules (10-A and 11-A) have been overlaid onto the chart. Bayer's Rule 10-A is pointing to

the middle of next week (January 20-21). This will align with the mid-point of the Mercury axial spin cycle (58.65 days) which is one of the key cycles that underpins the Nasdaq. And, as is the case with the S&P, the Nasdaq is also sporting a gap that will be back-filled. The question is when?

Something is Wrong....Gold is Telling Us So

As Mike McGlone on Bloomberg noted last week – the S&P and Nasdaq continue to bounce around with resilience but at the same time the price of Gold is rising. He suggests this is unusual – and he is right. The smart money is nervous and it is seeking the sanctity of precious metals.



Gold futures

From the inflection point in October, a Bayer’s Rule 11-A projection takes one to the geometric mean of the price move from late November to late December. Another 11-A projection takes one to late February and very near to the mid-point of the 88-day Mercury orbital cycle (red arcs). From the late December inflection point a Mars Rule 10-A projection takes one to the first week of February and very near to the end of a Mercury 58.65 day cycle. What is more interesting is the mid-point of the (yellow arcs) current 58.65 day Mercury axial spin cycle which lands January 11-12. Although the above chart does not show this, Gold this morning surged \$100 per ounce right in line with this cycle mid-point.

I will leave you with one thing to ponder: If *perchance* the late December inflection point is to be a geometric mean, some simple math from the early November consolidation point suggests that Gold prices *could* (??) go to \$5300 per ounce.

The above horoscope wheel shows that the Node is currently at 11 degrees Pisces – on its way to Aquarius. The Node in Pisces suggests a peak could occur *anytime* from now. On **August 19, 2026** the Node will officially enter the sign of Aquarius.

Consider that the S&P 500 peaked in early October 2007 with the Node at 4 Pisces. People did not realize it at the time, but this was the start of what would morph into the Great Financial Crisis – or as some guests on Bloomberg now call it, “*the GFC*”. I dare say many of these guests were probably in their freshman year of college at the time of the crisis. They have no idea just how ugly and dangerous this crisis was.

As people like Fred Harrison explain, the Node in and of itself does *not* trigger a market peak and a crisis. The bankers are the ones who pull the trigger. Where I live in western Canada, I often speak to local farmers. When I ask if they remember the 2007-2008 crisis, they shrug their shoulders and claim not to remember. When I ask them what their outlook is for farmland prices they smile and tell me prices of land will just keep rising. Earlier in 2025, a local farmer in my area paid an eye-watering \$700,000 for *each* of three quarters of land (a quarter of land is 160 acres). That was an outlay of \$2.1 million. Farmland usually sells for \$400,000 to \$500,000 per quarter in my area. The farmer in question overpaid to assert his authority. In other words – I am the kingpin in this area, so don’t even think about trying to buy land anywhere near me. Such egotistical moves, in my mind, are a signal of a peak in the economic cycle.

When the bankers pull the trigger on the next crisis, they will stop lending for land purchases. Grain prices are already low and when indebted farmers cannot make their loan payments, the bankers will be only too thrilled to swoop in and re-posses parcels of land. In the 2008 crisis, governments quickly stepped up to bail out some key corporations. Some bankers received help while others were allowed to perish (think Bear Sterns) and some were forced to merge (think Merrill Lynch with Bank of America). Will we see a repeat of this bailout mania this time around? Will it be too-big-to-fail chipmakers and AI companies that receive bailouts this time?

2026 is *not* going to be a quiescent year where the Nasdaq and S&P inch higher on the back of the AI theme. The 18.6 year nodal cycle will give us all a rude awakening just when we least expect it. In my 2026 Almanac, I offer up a suggestion as to when a market peak might occur.

A Significant Date

In past editions of my Almanacs, I discussed significant Hebrew holidays that are detailed in Rabbi Jonathan Cahn’s books. According to Manley P. Hall, there is another holiday date that must be added to this list – 14 Adar. The month of Adar is a time of rejoicing and good fortune which

culminates with the Feast of Purim on the 14th day of Adar. In ancient Biblical times, during a time of Jewish captivity in Persia, one of the King's ministers wanted to destroy the Jews during the month of Adar. When his plans failed, the month of Adar took on a celebratory significance. For a more thorough read of the subject, I refer you to Manley Hall's 1987 book *Old Testament Wisdom*.

I have looked back several years to gauge any connection between this date and significant occurrences on the equity market.

The 2007-2008 financial crisis ended in early March 2009 very near to 14 Adar. And in fact, looking at past events going back to 2010, I note that in the days following the vast majority of 14 Adar events, the S&P 500 *rose*. There were a couple instances where the market continued to decline in the aftermath of the Adar date, but in these cases, the 14 Adar date was the geometric mean of the short term trend in play at the time. Mark the **3rd of March 2026** on your calendars. This will be 14 Adar. If the market is looking undecided ahead of this date, there is a very good chance that a bullish rally will develop. If the market is trending, this date could well mark the geocentric mean of the price move that is unfolding.

Venezuela – no guarantees

Geopolitics is hard to figure out at the best of times. Since the last issue of this Letter, we have all seen the events unfold in Venezuela. The question Canadian investors are struggling with is – what does this all mean for Canadian oil producers? The answer, as near as I can figure, is not to panic. It will take up to two years for the oil infrastructure in the Orinoco Basin to get repaired and improved to the point where substantial amounts of oil can be extracted for export to refiners on the U.S. Gulf Coast. In the world of geopolitics, two years is a *very* long time. Anything can happen.

Four companies that *might* stand to benefit from efforts to repair and improve the Orinoco Basin are KBR, Haliburton, Baker Hughes, and Schlumberger. Let's take a look at each of these through the lens of their dominant planetary cycles. However, to be clear – there is no guarantee of success in Venezuela for these or any other companies. As the following charts will show, each of these companies are trading as if Venezuela is a sure thing. It is not a sure thing, at least not yet. I expect the prices of these companies to retreat as cooler heads prevail.

KBR (N:KBR)

EV to EBITDA ratio is 9-11X. The past 5 years have seen positive free cash flows. Analyst targets on the stock range from \$54-\$57.



N:KBR

The dominant cycles that underpin KBR price action (according to the Periodogram) are the Mercury orbital cycle (88 days) and the Mercury axial spin cycle (58.65 days). These cycles have been overlaid on the daily price chart. The Venezuela news came just as these two cycles terminated and started anew. Using Gann's *Prior Peak Rule*, price needs to get above \$45 to shift the trend to bullish. Analyst targets align to the May 2025 highs.

Some Old Support for Heliocentricity

Over the weekend I was reading a 1933 book by Manley P. Hall titled *The Story of Astrology*. He cites literature from the 1932 *Literary Digest* that says sunspots cause variations in the litters of rabbits and foxes, the growth of tree rings, water levels in lakes, the size of grain crops, and even financial depressions.

So...the heliocentric models by Scafetta, Wilson, et al that I refer to in my 2026 *Almanac* are not new. Cycle analysis in the context of solar system events is not new. All of this was already understood in the 1930s. This leaves me to wonder – did W.D. Gann and his contemporaries use heliocentric astrology in their analysis of stocks and market indices?

Schlumberger (N:SLB)

EV to EBITDA ratio is 10-11X. The past 5 years have seen positive free cash flows Analyst targets on the stock range from \$48-\$53.



Schlumberger (N: SLB)

The dominant cycles that underpin SLB price action (according to the Periodogram) are the Mercury axial spin cycle (58.65 days) and the Venus axial spin cycle (243 days). The trend is bullish, however the recent price surge (in alignment to the midpoint of a Mercury cycle) on Venezuela news is likely overdone.

Baker Hughes (N:BKR)

EV to EBITDA ratio is 10-11X. The past 5 years have seen positive free cash flows Analyst targets on the stock range from \$53-\$55.



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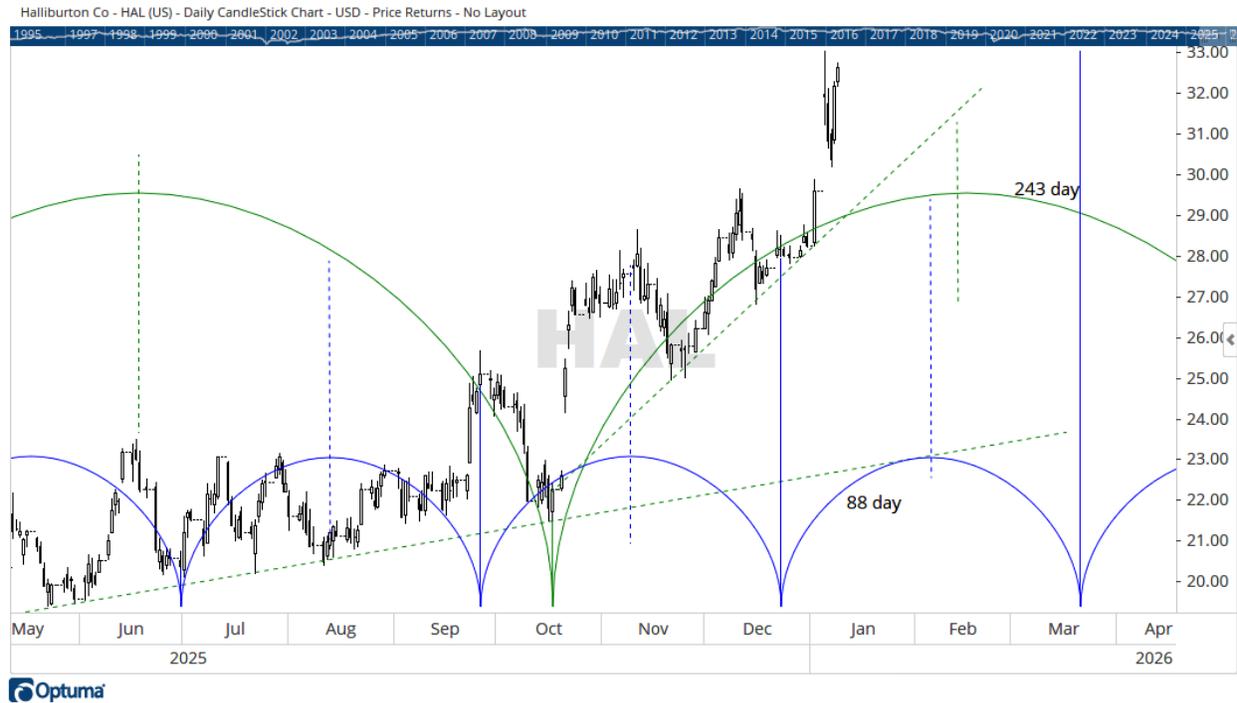
BKR is a complex stock to dissect. Look at the above chart and you will see two green dashed lines. These denote the two uptrend lines that are evident on the chart; one line starts in January 2024, the other in April 2025.

The dominant cycles that underpin BKR price action (according to the Periodogram) are the Earth orbital cycle (365 days), the Venus axial spin cycle (243 days), and the Mercury orbital cycle (88 days).

No sooner had price declined to test one of the green dashed uptrend lines than the Venezuela news broke. BKR share price immediately spiked higher as traders assumed that BKR would assuredly make money in Venezuela. As the current Mercury 88-day cycle draws to an end, I suspect price might consolidate a bit.

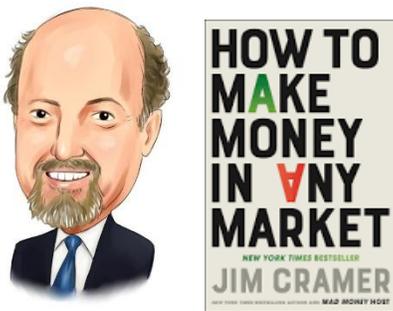
Haliburton (N:HAL)

EV to EBITDA ratio is 7-9X. The past 5 years have seen positive free cash flows Analyst targets on the stock range from \$31-\$33.



The dominant cycles that underpin HAL price action (according to the Periodogram) are the Venus axial spin cycle (243 days), and the Mercury orbital cycle (88 days). The trend is bullish and has been since October. February will see the mid-point of the current Mercury 88-day cycle and the mid-point of the current Venus 243-day cycle.

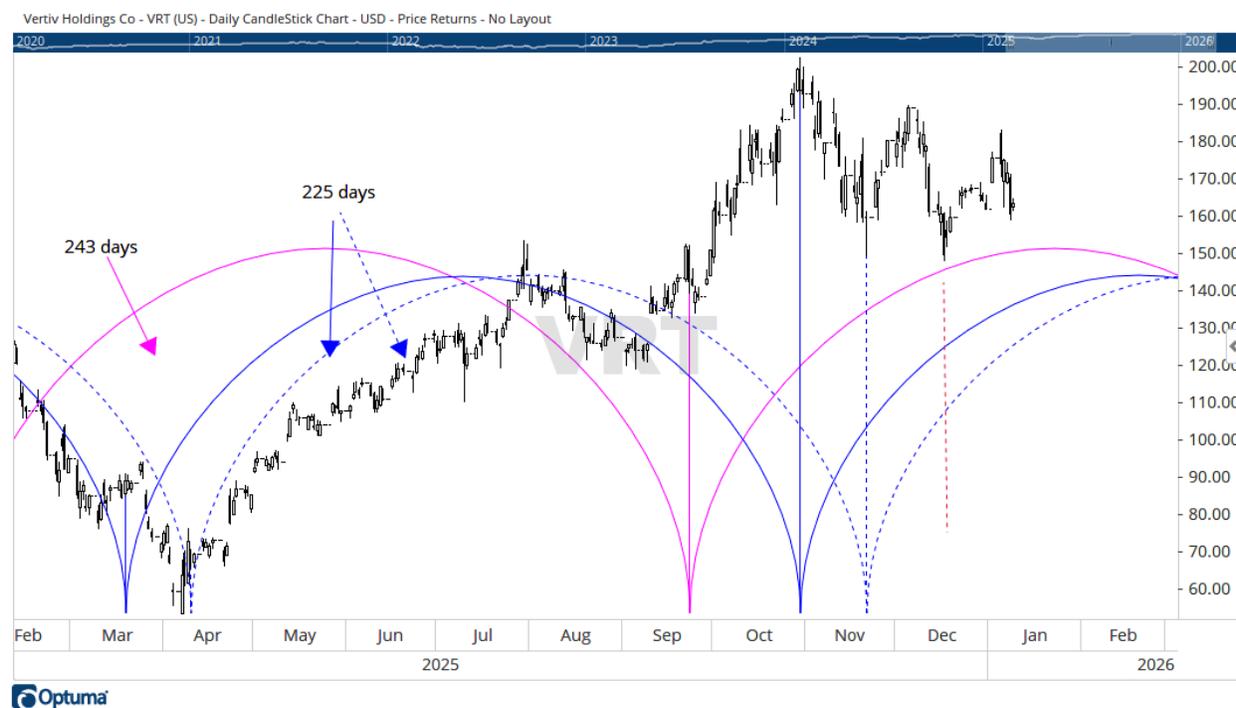
Cramer's Picks



In case you missed it – Jim Cramer (the wild and crazy guy from CNBC) recently released a book. In it he reveals the secret to his rapid-fire *Lightning Round* segment on each show where people call in

with a stock question. Cramer makes various obnoxious sounds (sirens blaring, babies crying...) and then very quickly tells the caller what he thinks of the stock. How can he keep so much data in his head? The truth is – his head is not that large. In his book, he reveals that he really only has 20 stocks that he likes. Callers to the show who own one of those stocks are given sound-bites of praise. Callers who *do not* have one of his 20 favorites are blasted with rude sound effects. And then he moves on to the next caller.

My local library had the book, so instead of buying it, I signed it out and gave it a fast read. Another of his top picks ties in nicely with the AI data center theme – Vertiv Holdings (ticker VRT).



N: VRT

AI data centers do not run effortlessly. They require complex power, cooling, and IT infrastructure solutions. And that is what Vertiv offers. For an interesting read, go to the Vertiv website and find your way into the News section. In a Jan 8, 2026 news release, there is a link to a Report on AI Data Centers. Have a read to better visualize the extreme engineering complexity of a data center.

A Periodogram analysis suggests the dominant cycles on VRT very closely align to the Venus orbital cycles (225 days) and the Venus axial spin cycle (243 days). In fact, I am seeing two slightly offsetting 225-day cycles.

In the near term, lower highs since late October suggest that the trend is leaning bearish. Gann's *Prior Peak* methodology says it will take a move to over \$180 to trigger a buy signal. Let the trend

unfold. Mid-to late January will see the mid-point of the Venus 243-day cycle. This could give a buying opportunity...

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