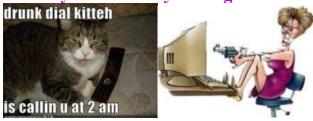
Here's your Mercury Retrograde Survival Guide:



DON'TS: (let's get these out of the way)

- don't install new software, or decide to completely overhaul your computer (you're not the Geek Squad) & even if you are, this is **NOT** the time to do it
- watch your words, this is the time when people tend to *"open mouth, insert foot, or whole leg"* and for God's sake; **don't drunk text or FB after doing shots of Tequila**, it's bad enough when we do it without the Retrograde
- double check, triple check, all documents, emails, posts, and appointments, you don't want to end up in *Tijuana*, when your friend said *Topanga*, or if you're in Ohio, same thing you don't want to end up stranded in *Kinsman* when you're friend is waiting for you in *Kirkland*
- don't sign any important contracts or start a new job
- hold off signing on the dotted line for that new house or your new Lincoln
- planes, trains, & automobiles; if at all possible hold off travel, if you must, triple check everything; be extra careful with keys, batteries, tires
- HOLD OFF on trying new daring adventures at this time, if you've never climbed Mt. Everest this isn't the time to decide you're going to make a name for yourself, (unless you want the headlines to read *"first time climber found missing in avalanche*)...also don't throw yourself in front of a train just to prove it's not your *"time"* to go, (that's just called *'dumb-ass'*)
 DO'S:
- reassess, redo, relax, rejuvenate, redesign, rethink, reapply, reflect,
- *reconnect with old friends from the past*, and don't be surprised if *an ex-lover shows up at your door*, this is meant for a reason so healing can happen and then the two of you can move forward, (or get back together) however I feel it's the former
- reorganize your closets, your files
- rewrite that novel you started months ago
- revisit that project you abandoned (I have a few of those)
- something hidden is revealed, be open and aware

THE EXCEPTION:

- If you have a *"history"* with something then it's OK to sign the deal on a house you have a history with (you put a bid on it months ago, you babysat the neighbors kids in that house, etc.)
- if you're old boss (whom you liked) is at a new company & offers you a job
- if you're in sales, cars, real estate etc. look up *former clients* you have an established *"history"* with
- you started building a website & put quite a bit of work into it, then let it sit for months