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Hi!

First of all, the bumper stickers scattered throughout this edition are from **ROWENA WALL**.

As you can see we made it through the July edition and are planning the October one. Thanks to all of you I might add! We still need more subscribers and folks to write so please do what you can in those areas. We are now in our 26th year and Betty, Pam and I will do all we can to continue but we do need your help and support. Remember, it is your magazine so it is all up to you wonderful people out there in **MH Land**.

I don't know (remember?) if I told you or not but I have resigned as Chairperson of the Advisory Board for N.C.G.R. I'm in no condition really to be traveling alone to the various meetings and conferences. Joyce Levine is taking my place and I'm sure she'll do a good job.

Several interesting and thought provoking things in this edition. How about responding to them for me? Does anyone know the correct date for Milosevic? Is it Aug. 20 or Aug. 29, 1941. Have also seen a couple of different times.

Our thoughts and prayers go out to the folks around Littleton, CO. and also to the people in Kansas and Oklahoma who suffered the wrath of the tornadoes. This has been some spring?

Talk to you in October.

Love & Hope

*Edith Custer*

Edie

EDITH CUSTER  
LYNCHBURG, VA

MAY, 1999

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**DONNA SNEED** has given us permission to print the particulars of her birth chart and for the day she had a massive stroke. She gave me the time of 9:30 A.M. and someone else 10:00 A.M. but you can see it in either chart. Natally ♀ in the 6♈☉, ☽ and ♀ in the 12th. ♀, ruler of the 4th and 8th, was ♂ by transit, the natal ☉ in the 12th.

In helio for the stroke, transiting ♂ and ♀ were in ♈, transiting helio ♀ was ♂ ♋ in the 12th and ♂ was ♂ ♌ in the 9th and Tr. ♄ was ♄ Tr. ♋. Lots more and some saving graces as well.

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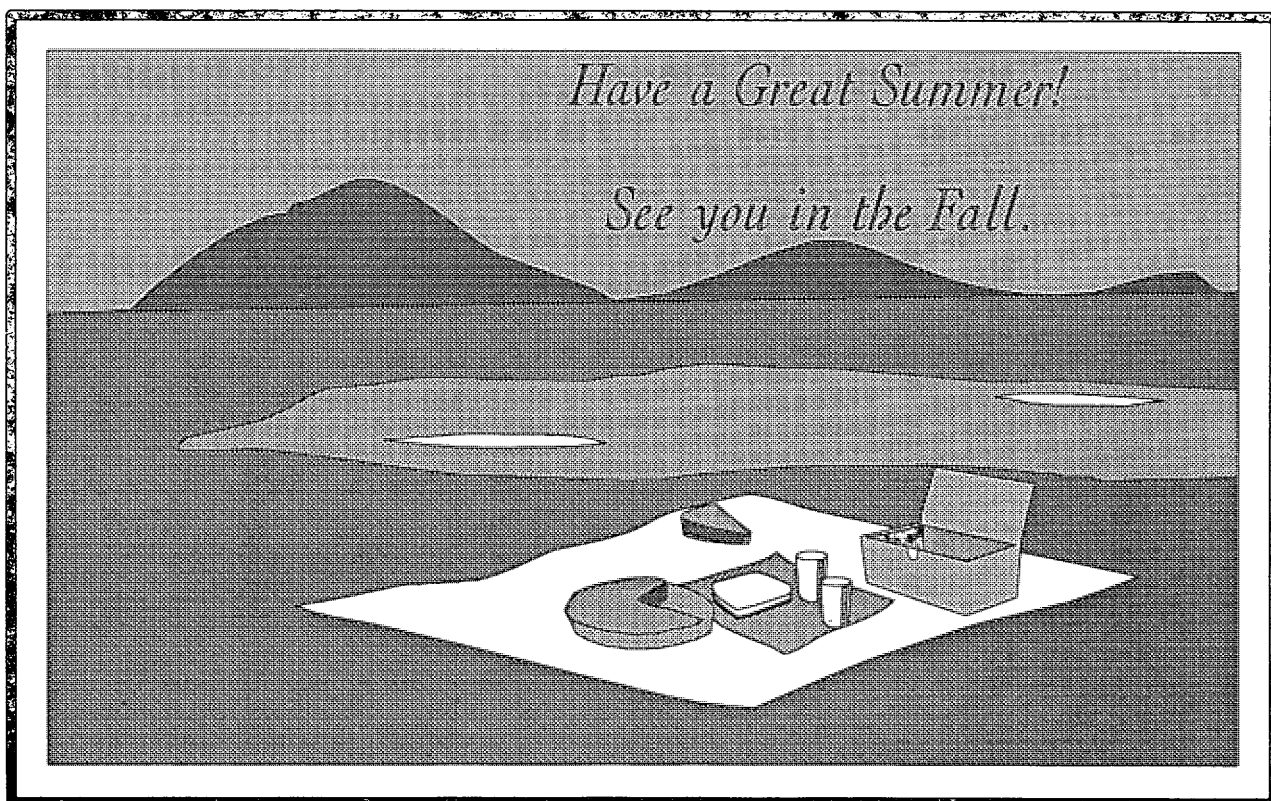
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Stroke: Feb. 20, 1991, 9:30 A.M. CST, Centralia, MO. 39N13, 092W08. (I used Koch and Tropical for my charts).

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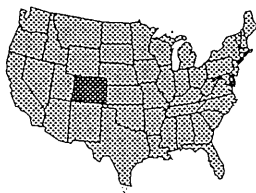
**BATYA STARK**  
**DENVER, CO**  
**MAY, 1999**

Somebody named "Storm" is circulating birth data for Dylan Klebold, one of the two students responsible for the Columbine High School Massacre in Littleton. (Only a few miles from my home) Knowing how difficult it was to get a copy of my own birth certificate from the Dept. of Vital Records, I was not ready to accept the validity of this data without doing a little investigation of my own. I phoned the Dept. of Vital Records and spoke to a very helpful person there. Here is what she told me:

In Colorado, birth certificates are only available to the person himself, or his immediate family .... parents, siblings or spouse. In the case of a parent requesting the certificate, the signature on the request form must match the signature on the birth certificate (i.e. handwriting). A sibling must prove, with his or her own birth certificate, that he has the same parents. Spouse must provide marital data. These records are protected by the Colorado Revised statute #25-2-118 of 1982 and by law there are penalties for obtaining such records under false pretenses under statute CRS 25-2-118. Additionally, in the state of Colorado a person is only allowed to obtain 6 (six) birth certificates in a lifetime. More than that and additional identification is required.

I asked what would happen if anyone asked for Dylan Klebold's birth certificate. Bells would ring. Documentation of the person requesting the data would be even more carefully scrutinized. A person lying or misrepresenting himself to obtain this data would be breaking the law and could be arrested. The blood has not yet been washed off the walls in Columbine High School. No one here has forgotten this nightmare.

The proposed data given for Dylan Klebold is highly suspect at best. Let's get this cleaned up as soon as possible. The distribution of "dirty data" tarnishes the reputation of astrology and astrologers everywhere. I have forwarded this information to Marion March and Lois Rodden. Please post this on the Mercury Hour bulletin board and anywhere else you see fit. (Thanks for the e-mail)



**ROBERTA STRAIN**  
**MIDDLESEX, N.J.**  
**MAY, 1999**

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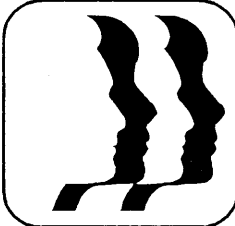
(Roberta sent this along in case you haven't seen it. Please read **BATYA STARK's** message in this issue ←←←(to the left) pertaining to Dylan's birth date info. Edie)

Thought you might be interested in the birth data for the two boys who did the killing in Colorado.

Dylan Klebold - 9/11/81, 9:11 A.M. MDT, Denver, Colorado 104W59, 39N44

Eric Harris - 4/9/81, 9:37 P.M. EST, Plattsburg, N.Y. 73W28, 44N42

Don't think this is dirty data as it came from an astrologer in Colorado who receives data from birth certificates. (Thanks for the e-mail)



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JIM HAYNES  
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☉ II ☽ ♀ Asc ♀

*The Sidereal Corner* ... Congratulations are in order for **EDITH** and her 100th issue of the *Mercury Hour*. And it was a great issue. But I was sick about the financial problems she has been having with it. I do hope that we can come together and help in any way that we can. After around 20-years taking *Mercury Hour*, it has become a part of me, and the thought of it going into oblivion is like losing an arm or other part of me.

**LELA CHAVELLIER POWELL (100/2)**: I am with you on the cause of the Flight 800 crash. I have always felt that the streak of light rising up into the sky was a missile which destroyed the plane.

**RITA FRIEDMAN (100/3)**: Glad that you liked my I Am Fine piece. It always pleases me when I can give someone a chuckle. I guess my motto is "Laugh and the world laughs with you."

**ED DEARBORN (100/5)**: It's gratifying that you like the Lavagnini Sidereal charts. You have to remember that it was arrived at from a process of trying numerous charts, and finally discovering this chart. It makes delineation very easy, at least for me.

**LELA CHAVELLIER POWELL (100/21)**: Please do send a copy of Octoscope chart to **MH**, if you find it. I'm sure it would be of interest to everyone. Yes, you do read it clockwise from the first watch. I have always thought that the watches should be 45° all around and using the Lavagnini system allows me to do this, with each Watch being 3 hours in time, beginning from the first Watch. The Octoscope is so old that it is the first chart in astrology which attempts to use houses.

**CONNIE COLLIER (100/24)**: Thank you for reminding me of the astrology shorthand list.

**HAYA MURRAY (100/25)**: I'm glad that you found the East Point useful in your chart. Those that do not use it are really missing the boat, for often it shows up when the Asc does not.

**VIRGINIA A. REYER (100/26,32)**: Thanks so much for sharing your list of meanings for planets, midpoints and fixed stars. They should be appreciated by all.

**DOROTHY J. SARKA (100/30)** I admire your ability to integrate astrology and the I Ching. I think that I will concentrate on the sidereal and forget the Chinese astrology. Not the I Ching, though. I heard from Winnifred Kemp. You and I were right.

Somehow she missed the Feb. 20 spaceship to outer space.

**LEE WEINREB (100/35)**: I'm glad you're staying put. You have a good year too, Lee. About **E (PEGGY FLOOK)**, your explanation is pretty near the same as I see it. I was taught that **E** is a crisis on which the native must make a decision. A change, from which a situation(s) can never be quite the same.

**JOE TYSON (100/38)**: An interesting cycle list. People should probably pay more attention to the cycles but I don't think that they do.

**ED DEARBORN (100/48)**: You're the second astrologer who has told me that there is no leap year next year. I don't know about that. I don't think I can buy that. I notice that the American Ephemeris for the 21st century correctly has the 29th of Feb. Then there's my Perpetual Calendar that I have for all calendar years. I just looked at where it came from. It was put out by the Rathbun Voting Machine Co., in Manhattan, Kansas! I was a teenager when I lived in Hutchinson, Kansas. The calendar goes from 1583 and for every year in the future. There are only 14 calendars. The first seven years are not leap years while the last seven years are leap years. The last year before going back to the beginning is 2000 and it shows to be a leap year. Finally it ends with "each 400 years repeat." Which means that any year that can be divided by 400 has to be a leap year.  $2000/400=5$ . I'll go along with that.

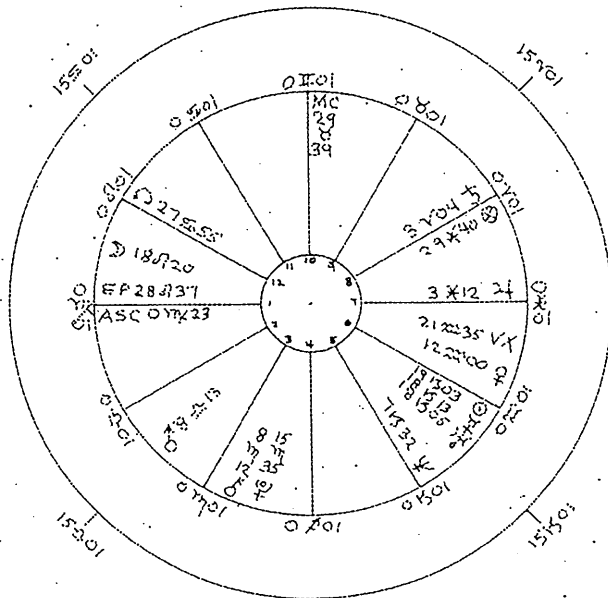
**DEFIANCE GREGG (100/59)**: Did you know that Art Bell's radio show is the second most popular one anywhere? I don't know what is the first. They have phoned in from Finland--perhaps even farther. By the way, are you on Alicia on the coast of Seaside, or actually in Seaside? I'm glad that you are finding your Astro-Logic to your liking.

I was lucky to get a big boost for my air research. Source AA but was sworn to secrecy. The enclosed chart is that of an actual UFO Sighting. A woman came to a stop at an intersection on the outskirts of Philadelphia. Above the intersection she saw a huge UFO hovering over the intersection with no sound. It was triangular in shape with three bright lights and slowly revolved counterclockwise in the darkness. As she watched, it slowly moved to her right, down the street and out of sight.

The chart is interesting to me. The 10th house shows travel **II**, with the **Mc** less than 1° from entering **II**. The **Asc** is in precise **♏**, opposing **4** strong in the mystery sign of **X**. **E** in the 3rd of travel, communication is at the apex of a T-□

between the ☽ and the Vertex angle. The fifth of hobbies, recreation, leisure is loaded with meaning. ♂ of energy ☐'s the unreal ♀ in the 5th and the ☉ is ♂ two flight planets: ♀ and ♄. I find the chart very revealing.

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Did you ever notice lately that to be a teacher, all you need to be able to do is have sex with one of your students? When I was a boy the teachers were strict. Once a teacher took me before the class and rapped my knuckles with a ruler, because she caught me passing a note to a third grader heartthrob.

It rained today and we really need it. It would be nice to have a lot more--not all at once--before spring moves into summer, which I hope is warm. Have a happy summer.....

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Via snail mail, I have sent you my subscription renewal and a little something for the Mercury Hour Publishing Fund. Edie, I wish you would consider putting the renewal form on the front of the magazine again. It was handy and we

all used it. Like me, most probably chose to leave the page intact.

Mercury Hour will survive. Many of us have spent a lot of time and energy playing with our cyberspace toys. But I sense a sort of peak of enrallment with all this electronic communication wonderment has been reached and we will return to submitting the written word so that it appears in permanent magazine form. I just can't picture MH coming in the form of an email newsletter, or in the original stapled-pages form! I like the permanency, even the feel, of this communication in a magazine format. And I doubt that many of us would be commenting on e-mails sent a year ago, but just look how often we MH subscribers do comment on old submissions. And I find it easier to refer to old MH issues than scrolling through tons of saved e-mail. And with the MH, I don't have to worry about computer crashes wiping out treasured material. Long live Mercury Hour!

**LELA CHAVELLIER POWELL (100/21)**

Glad you've done some investigation of Symbolic Directions. The basis of this work has been the assumption of a constant one-degree-per year event arc that is used as is, or converted to some fraction thereof. What I have found is the use of the actual solar arc as the starting point works best. Take some summer charts where the solar arc is considerably slower than one degree and you will soon see. Jim Haynes' personal solar arc (a technique recommended by some of the users of Primary Directions introduced many years ago) recommended in (94/49) is better than the straight one-degree-per-year, but still not as accurate as the actual solar arc for the event. Like the Radix ratio, it is an average of the true solar movement. Investigate demise charts for the aged astrologers Marc Edmond Jones and Dane Rudyhar for confirmation. Now, let me suggest that you use the 4/7ths versus the 3/5ths ratio, one of the questions Carter expected later investigators to answer. Now, I've got to investigate their use in Converse motion! Thanks for the e-mail)

**LILIA MOLINA NEVES**  
**SACRAMENTO, CA**  
**FEBRUARY, 1999**

☉ II ☽ III Asc X

What ever happened to the little abducted girl (info 95/46) Dowsha? did her mother get her back?

FRANK JAKUBOWSKY  
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MARCH. 1999  
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**SALLY HARRINGTON (100/12)** Your child born with three planets in her 1st house may be a typical way that mothers count their children. My mother's first child had a lot of planets in his 1st house. Second's child 2nd house was full. I am the fifth child and I have four planets in my 5th house. It would be interesting to hear from other astrologers if they noted that the number of the child would have an emphasis on that number of their house.

Also considering the sequence number of a child, I have a theory that there is a sequence of children that relates to the sequence of the planets in the mother's chart in a counterclockwise direction of one child per planet. That is after it is determined what planet relates to the oldest child. The oldest child would relate to the planet nearest to the cusp of the 5th house, or if there is no planets in the 5th then the ruler of the 5th. I have worked that theory out for the Rose Kennedy family, which I am including in my next book of *Astrological Discoveries*. This theory helps astrologers explain the unique relationship of mother to each child.

**SONJA GODDARD FOXE (100/22)** I share the same birth date, Oct. 11, with my barber. My former boss' husband had the same birth date. Janice Ferris and I have the same birth date. She was the cause of the fire in Caldecott tunnel on April 7, 1982. I had a profound psychic experience about that event as I saw, felt, and communicated with people caught in that fire. I believe much of my experience was through Janice. I have written a book, *Caldecott*, that tells of the astrological relationship of that time. Transit ☉ was ♀ our ☉'s. Transit ♃ was ♂ our ☉'s. Transit ♀ was ♂ our ♀'s.

**SALLY MART (100/23)** Someone asked me why I was involved in astrology and I said I had ♃ in the 11th house ruling my 10th and Δ my ♋. My work with astrology has been to do research to explain how astrology works. Some of my discoveries have been discovering the writing pattern relating to a person's chart. Old time **MH** readers may remember that I predicted the year, month, day, and time of day of the birth of Judith Gee by examining letters in this magazine. She never officially recognized that my time was closer than her rectified time, but readers noted that the

transits such as  $\hbar$  and  $\mathbb{P}$  crossing her  $\mathbb{M}$  fitted my time better. Note that the writing pattern can at times be used for rectification.

I discovered that the ☉ ♂ early in pregnancy may result in left-handedness. So young mothers should avoid getting a conception from April 13, 2000 to June 2, 2000. There are other health problems such as asthma associated with left-handedness. It appears that an excess of testosterone causes an uneven development of the brain.

My book, *Spiritual Symbols for the Astrology of the Soul*, tells how a person grows up spiritually as related to their chart. My recent book, *Universal Mind*, shows how the Spirit of Truth is active and can be seen expressed in the pattern of a person's writing.

I found that the Urantia Book was much more important for me in seeing the whole picture of life. It explains that we grow our souls here on earth by our moral decisions. Then we go on to the mansion worlds and further on to Paradise. We don't return to earth. What people call reincarnation is not our souls, but of our minds, which is really lent to us while we live on earth.

I would say that astrology is a great aid in learning about ourselves, but I believe also that too many astrologers try to explain everything with astrology. For example, identical twins born a few minutes apart don't need to be explained for their differences in terms of astrology. Each person has a different mind and so will be different. I worked with identical twins and they had quite different interests. One became a Mormon missionary, while the other wasn't religious at all. He was artistic and his drawing had a futuristic style as if he came from another planet.

**JANICE GILES (100/57)** There is a book, *Lunaception*, by Louise Lacey that tells how to control a person's fertility cycle. Her method was to sleep in a dark room and only three nights to sleep with a light on. This works somewhat like the full Moon that sets the cycle. She also takes her temperature at the same time each day to check her cycle. She plots it on a chart.

“Counting the first day of your period as day one, count forward thirteen more days, to day fourteen, and mark that day on your chart. Mark your days of menstruation as they occur, too. On the night of day fourteen, sleep with your light on. Do the same on the nights of day fifteen and day sixteen. Then return to sleeping in a completely dark room. That’s all there is to it. You are using the light to entrain and keep set the cyclic

mechanism, and the light will cause you to ovulate at a particular time. You will see an immediate reflection of that occasion on your chart."

"From the beginning of your period until the night before you first sleep with the light on, the temperature will remain about the same, within a few tenths of a degree in either direction. Then there will be a slight fall, followed the next day by a steep rise. Sometimes the rise may be as much as a whole degree or more. The temperature will then stay high, varying as much as half a degree up or down, until the next period starts, or soon after it, when it will abruptly fall back to the original place."

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**PEGGY FLOOK**  
**BRIGHTON, MI**  
**APRIL, 1999**

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I think I've been kidnapped by little green men and they put me back down on the wrong planet. This one is occupied by international law professors explaining the distinctions between war crimes, ethnic cleansing, genocide, and crimes against humanity. Of euphemisms, "collateral damage" was bad enough, but "ethnic cleansing" is the most sickening term I've ever heard for wholesale slaughter.

There is something that would surprise me about the 2000 elections, and that's if all the voting machines work -- if every state, city, county and village realizes that voting machines are time-date stamped and hence need to have that missing chip installed, and it gets done before the March primaries. Otherwise, they'll still be counting primaries in November.

And back to '99, the Pentagon might as well use up all their "smart bombs" before August, because the bombs are all satellite directed. If the communications satellites don't turn over on schedule, the smart bombs will just be so many unguided missiles.

To **JIM HAYNES (100/37)** Yes, I saw your letter on the Larson Ice Shelf, and I'm much interested, even if it decides to break off in pieces instead of all at once. I caught just part of a Discovery Channel program about a glacier that is calving at far above its usual rate, and retreating much faster than before. The picture was of a large bay scattered with huge icebergs, which the narrator said were menacing shipping and tourism -- from which I deduce the glacier's in the northern hemisphere, probably in Alaska. But if the sea

level rises very much, it won't be just beaches and empty seashores at risk, but shoreline subdivisions and even cities -- New Orleans, for instance, was five feet below sea level in 1980 and probably a lot more now, as it is slowing sinking. It is protected by dikes and levees, and drained by batteries of huge pumps . . . presumably they have their own generators in case of power outages. And I wonder how much rise in sea level the Netherlands are prepared to cope with.

To **LEE WEINREB (100/35)** I wish I did have a chart on Aunt Ida, but that was long ago, before I discovered astrology, beyond the ☉ signs. However, her birthday was early August which makes her a ♋; and I'd bet my best hat (if I had a hat) that she had ♋♋, too. She looked like a ♋, walked like one, dressed like one; and if you list all the ♋ qualities you can think of, including all the admirable ones and just a couple of the worse ones, and then slather a thick layer of PRIDE all over everything--you've got Aunt Ida.

I think you're going to get some help with your sorrow about your family. I don't know the exact degree of your ☽, but, by deduction, ♋ is going to cross it along about December. (I don't need to remind an astrologer that some aspects pass without visible results, but I need to keep reminding myself.) I forget why ♋ is called the "wounded" healer, but make no mistake, he DOES heal, and he's not restricted to matters of health. I've seen him abruptly heal two shattered marriages, a broken career, and a long, painful illness...and just a couple of months ago, ♋ mysteriously returned some valuable stolen property, an heirloom, to one of my friends. Nor does he need a long transit; a couple of days can do it. Of the list above, the career repair was a transit to natal ♋; all the others were transits to natal ♋. There were other harmonious aspects in those charts at the time. I don't know what a transit to natal ☽ would do, but I should think it would at least heal those aching emotions.

If you still haven't heard from your brother, there may be something you can do to clear the way for healing. If there's one thing a ♋ cannot abide, it's injustice, to herself or anyone else. They can't live with the imbalance; the scales aren't built for it. So part of what is grieving you is that the whole thing is so darned unfair! That can be dealt with.

One of the first rules of white magic is: Always repay an unkindness with a kindness. It restores the balance. It also unsettles people and makes it very hard for them to stay mad. It defeats



grudge-holders. So your brother, II, has recently had a birthday. I suggest you send him a "Belated Birthday" card, underline the word "belated" and write only a couple of lines like "I think of you often. Are you all right?"

Then don't worry about whether you get an answer; you will have done your part, and that restores the balance. Then very early in December (before ♄ arrival) I would send a casual-type Christmas card to both of them...and sign it "love".

But don't watch for the exact time of ♄ transit; try to forget about it. I have a half-superstitious belief that a watched transit doesn't do anything. I said "half" superstitious because any particle physicist will tell you that "The mere presence of an observer is enough to upset the probability wave." and I'm convinced that astrology is closely connected to particle physics. In fact, I read somewhere that astrology is one of Stephen Hawkings' hobbies. Yes, I read the article by **GUY dePENGUERN (100/7)** which discusses the connection, but he went in directions I'm not prepared to follow.

In any case, it is important that you rebalance things now, before Y2K makes long distance communication next to impossible.

**T. PATRICK DAVIS (100/45)** I'm so sorry that my careless use of the word "suggested" distressed you. I should have said Don "mentioned" the Clinton birth chart or "referred to it", since all I intended to convey was that two different birth times were spoken of in the previous issue. I knew that the 3:51 A.M. came from a birth certificate, but didn't know of the pre-scheduled Cesarean. I also know that you have done magnificent work in tracing and verifying birth information on the Presidents; yet now you say you have "no plans to republish" and are conveying your records to the trash man. It seems a tragic waste.

You didn't give me a very helpful reply to my query about the validity of the aphorism "Nothing can happen that isn't permitted in the birth chart". It may be older than Babylon, I don't know, but one still finds it, sometimes in italics, in just about every third book one picks up; and it doesn't seem to me that discovery of three more planets and a horde of asteroids and even imaginary planets should invalidate it if it was ever true. In any case, I found probably the best answer I'll ever get in your own book, Revolutionizing Astrology With Heliocentric, p.62, "Man With a Happy Childhood".

**DON BORKOWSKI (100/43)** Our 2% disagreement has just disappeared because I've decided you're right: I shall go back to starting with the Mean Node until I see what's what. But then we may have got 1% back, because I am also writing the True Node in the margin for comparison. Y'know, for some reason it had never occurred to me that some people could have True and Mean Nodes in two different signs; I was so fascinated that I went back to late Sept. 1973 to see what other aspects might have contributed to your sprained ankle. You've proved your point: there was no aspect at all to the True Node, plenty of them to affect the Mean Node. I think the ♃, especially, is badly undervalued. Just for instance, I was recently browsing back through Noel Tyl's Astrological Timing of Critical Illness and noticed that he didn't use the ♃...so I went through and inserted it myself. In 54 of his 70 charts, the ♃ screamed "trouble", progressed (Solar Arc) to the ♌, or in a tight T-□ with two or more major planets, or progressed to the midpoint of major planets, and even in his favorite aspects quindéciles...warning at a glance. But I should point out that he didn't need it; he came up with the right timing in 70 of 70.

It seems to me that a long transit T-□ to the Nodes always means decision time and/or a change. Look back at Clinton's chart last December when ♄ (the law and Congress) at 18♋ (which it rules with ♀) made its station exactly □ his True Nodes all the time the House Judicial Committee was impeaching him.

That Clinton chart is full of information. Did you notice his helio ♄ is ♂ Hillary's ☉ and, if you care, a further perusal will tell you more about their relationship. But better yet, you can find out why his poll numbers never go down, why the public sticks with him no matter what, by comparing his natal chart with the American People radix (**St. Augustine, FL., Noon EST. Sept. 18, 1565, 81W19, 29N54**).

To start with, Clinton's ☉ is ♂ the People ♏. His ☽ is exactly △ their ♄♏♏. His ☉/♄ is ♂ their ☉. His ♀ is △ their ♀; his ♏ △ their ♏; his ♃ △ their ♂; his ♌ (by the 8:51 A.M. chart) and ♂♀ trio are ♂ their ♀♀. And that's just the 1° orbs.

But I still can't see him with an empty 12th house. That's the house of secrets, which he can't seem to keep; and hidden enemies, of which he has many; and self-undoing, which he can't seem to avoid. And, from a different point of view-what, no karma?

**Lauren McKevitt  
Tampa, Florida  
March, 1999**

**Sun Gemini Moon Virgo Ascendant Taurus**

Edie, I was distressed to see your notice in the 100th edition that Mercury Hour's days might be numbered. Those of us who have enjoyed it for so many years, and who owe you and your staff so much, have not done well by it with our silence, never finding time to write, etc. etc. I include myself in those ranks.

With that in mind, I'd like to start more dialogue in Mercury Hour. Here are a few specifics and I'd be very curious to hear what others' experiences have been.

1. Prog. Sun changing signs. I'm trying to do some research on this, and am not having much luck. My own Prog. Cancer sun moved into Leo this past January, though I certainly felt the effects of it several years prior to the Leo ingress. I threw away years of frugality and adopted a whole new philosophy--buy the big house I've always wanted (mainly to store close to 1500 books), buy the car I've always loved, be totally frivolous. Now that does seem a bit Leo-ish. All of this was done when the Prog. Sun was at 28-29 degrees of Cancer, forming a prog. lunation ECLIPSE in my prog. chart. What it actually represented, I think, was my abandoning of the principles my mother always taught me, which I once told her in jest could be summed up by saying, "don't live, you may die." Ironically, my mother passed away around this same time, so the 29 Cancer was very apt. (Prog. Venus had also conjuncted the Mars/Pluto midpoint in my natal chart, which falls in the 4th house.)

2. I'd also be curious to hear from others about any prog. planet changing signs (this is by solar arc progression, not direction).

3. What significant transits are going on in everybody else's life? I'm having a transiting Pluto opposing the Sun/Uranus conjunction in my chart. Not quite sure how it's manifesting. Saturn is also getting ready to go over my ascendant for the second time in my life. I once heard that when that happens, one discovers one's true purpose. I'll keep you posted.

4. What books are you reading right now? I usually keep a bunch of them going. I'm reading "The Passion of the Western Mind" by Richard Tarnas, which is immensely interesting; "Bridging Science and spirit" by Norman Friedman; and "Callings" by Greg Levoy. None of these are about astrology per se, but certainly can offer insights

that would help any astrologer. I would also recommend "The Waking Dream" by Ray Grasse, a really intelligent discussion of symbolism. So what is everybody else reading?

4. What about tapes? I've decided that most of the contemporary brilliance in astrology doesn't always make it to paper. A lot of it is captured on tape. Unfortunately, a lot of tapes can't really capture the presentations. I ordered a recording of a well-known astrologer's workshop from a conference. Much of it was listening to him write on the blackboard or talk about handouts that weren't included with the tape. Or answer inaudible questions from the audience which he didn't repeat. Yet there are some good tapes. One excellent one that I listened to recently was of James Hillman, author of The Soul's Code and considered a major figure in the archetypal psychology movement. The tape was "The Archetypal Phenomenon of Astrology" and it was given at a conference several years ago. (It's available from the Isis Institute, 1-888-322-4747.) If anyone has any tapes to recommend, I think it would be a great service to astrologers to let us know which ones are good and which ones just aren't worth it, or are tapes of sessions you really needed to attend to get much out of it.

I sincerely hope that Mercury Hour stays in business. I think the Internet serves a good purpose if you need instant turnaround or if you want to look something up on one of the web sites. The e-mail lists certainly have merit, and I am on several, though I find there isn't much serious astrology discussed on them at any great length. But I don't think they can take Mercury Hour's place nor do I get the sense of community that the Mercury Hour has always provided with your good guidance.

Edie, I guess that's a way of saying that I hope the Mercury Hour will continue as long as you have the energy to do it. Long may you--and it--reign. (Thanks for the disk. It went in without any problems. Edie)

MARION MARCH  
ENCINO, CA  
MARCH, 1999

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Hello Edie and Mercury Hour readers -

How unbelievable to see the title of this venerable magazine : MERCURY HOUR --April 1999 -- 100th Edition! It seems yesterday that I just

good writer -- but data is not his forte and never has been. Thank goodness he consults with Lois Rodden (or at times discovered this crazy 'something' which collected letters from everybody and published them so that others could read them and answer them. What a brilliant, novel idea!..... Twenty five years ago. That was about the same time that Aquarius Workshops was born to its proud parents Joan McEvers and Marion March. And those three toughies (Edie, Joan and myself) are still around!

A check to celebrate the 100th is in the mail to you Edie.

Did all of you enjoy this years "Oscars?" This is written March 22nd, the next day. I sure liked the dresses. For once it looked like the Hollywood of old with beautiful women wearing beautiful gowns and looking elegant.....

As to the 100th edition, quite a lot of good stuff in there.

To JIM HAYNES (100/37) I never listen to the radio at night, but many of my students are ardent fans of Art Bell, and were quite upset when he suddenly quit. But guess he's back, hale and safe.

How are you feeling lately? You also mentioned that it was JOYCE WEHRMAN who did not feel that eclipses were so meaningful in her nor her friends lives. I happen to totally agree with Joyce. Eclipses, in my experience, are only meaningful when they really fit into a chart. Most powerful seems to be when the eclipse fills a T-square. But forming a T-square from what was just a simple square is also quite potent.

To ANNE LATHROP (100/41) I was disappointed in your statement: "This is really the first book on progressions that has appealed to me in a long time. (Anne is referring to Robert Blaschke's new book on Progressions) Actually, there are very few available, outside the classics done by Alan Leo, Zip Dobyns and Doris Chase Doane -- at least they are the ones that come to my mind."

What happened to Joan's and my best selling series which includes volume 4 called: The Only Way to...learn about Tomorrow? Didn't you like that book which has become a classic long since? Or is that too new to be a classic in your estimation?

I review books for the British Journal and for Aspects Magazine, and you'd be amazed how many books are out on progressions and directions and moving the chart forward and all those other good things like returns et al. I have to read approximately eight new books on astrology every quarter. Some are quite good, some

excellent, many of them are repetitions of what already exists, some stink....but it's great learning for me and keeps me "honest" as to what's out there in the market place. So, I will read Robert E. Blaschke's "Astrology: A Language of Life - Volume 1 Progressions" and see for myself....

I got a good laugh out of JOSEPH SILVEIRA deMELLO's (100/53) statement regarding "I had a reply from Noel Tyl who writes he has used for a dozen years 10:35 am EET Amman for King Hussein. Thought I would report this new time while we wait to see what we might get from, say, Lois Rodden.

I love Noel and he is very good astrologer and very with me, since I am lucky enough to also have the Ed Steinbrecher data base).

The finest data collectors in this country are Lois and Ed Steinbrecher. There also are some very good collectors in Europe and Lois is in contact with them. Lois has a wonderful Data list that you can subscribe to. Her e-mail is: LRodden@aol.com

As to JANICE GILES (100/57) I read your experiences with fertility in your answer to Susan Simmons. I've been working with fertility since about 20 years. Started of course to test the Dr. Jonas theory - especially in those days when everybody was looking for a "safe sex" period, that led to those who had the opposite problem, not being able to conceive. I have had a world-wide clientele of women who've had problems having children, and a pretty good success rate; I've given many lectures and workshops on that subject and developed quite a successful practice around that for many years. Nowadays things are a bit easier with artificial insemination and the many wonderful techniques used. I've been most successful by combining the so-called natal Sun/Moon angle in relationship to the actual ovulation cycle.

Well Mercury folks - looking forward to another good 100 editions??? Edie, do you have an heir who'll take over for you at a certain point in time?? (Thanks for the e-mail)

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**FRANK FAUSTINO  
CASTROVILLE, CA  
MARCH, 1999**

**SUGGESTIONS:**

1. RAISE RATES
  2. CUT NUMBER OF PAGES BY 1/3 OR MORE
  3. IF INCOME INCREASES INCREASE PAGES BACK TO NORMAL.
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UNA CHIODINI  
LARGO, FL  
April 26, 1999

I asked Edie if I could respond to the gentleman Who was wondering about the numbers for the Change to 21st Century. So for better or worse. Here we go.

1900 AND they called it THE 20TH Century.

2000 AND They call it THE 21ST Century.

I wonder who thought up that silly set up. Smile.

19 rules "A" "J" "S". Deals with the misuse of power from past lives. The Person had authority and misused the power. Some wars are holy wars and some are ego wars. This would be an ego war. If the big planets are retro then it was an Ego Experience.

If I may give the example of a Fireman. He usually has A partner. He is at a fire. He hears a child crying in the Building....he rushes in Saves the Child, all cheer him, EXCEPT. The people in authority over him. Reason: He didn't wait for his backup partner. He could have been killed and the child also. BUT given The same circumstance He would do it again and again with out The partner. He is a SELF motivated person who doesn't take will to authority. You find Doctors, Dentist, Lawyers, Vets, Policeman/women, Fireman, etc. They are professional because they do not like anyone telling them what to do. Very Aries. They are survivors and teach others how to survive..

They stand ALONE and expect everyone to do the same. This is not a book I'm writing. I'm just trying to set a few thought down. Smile.

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20 Rules "B" "K" "T". Deals with Partnership. Working toward Harmony. Kennedy, Hitler, Eisenhower all had the 11 reduced to the 2. And many times the 2 will go to war to bring the Peace back In balance. But they are peacemakers. They are Very very sensitive, Shy, They can't take any criticism from Anyone. They guard their feelings. Case in point; the One body in Colorado. His last name began with a "K" and a few years back A man/child had a first and last name starting with a "K". If unloved or think they are unloved they will become very intense and compulsive, They don't do well with out a partner. John Denver Had a 2 top Pinnacle. That is found by adding the month and Year of birth. Enough for the formula. Now I'm not saying he committed suicide But I have 30 years of research and 95% of the time when someone commits suicide the 2 is

active. Maybe it's a personal year or Pinnacle or any of 8 main Sections. Remember the song about Vincent, and they just didn't understand him. I think McNeil sang it.

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Now the 21. The 3 rules "C" "L" "U" It is the Artist. Child of the universe, a gift from God. They help us to Dream. When afflicted we have Chatty Cathy. They will never shut up.. Smile. They are always up. My stepdaughter has lots of threes and I could just hit her for always being so cheerful. Smile.

Charley Chaplin, Caesar's, Churchill, Grover Cleveland, Calvin Coolidge, and Edgar Cayce, etc. Do you get the idea.

So what are we to expect with 2000 and the 21st Century. I don't Think we will live long enough to prove me right or wrong. So I can be as wild as a March Hare.

In the 1900's we have a lot of EGO wars. And a lot of Noble Wars. Many trying to uplift humanity, or save humanity from destroying Itself.

Because the 2 needs a partner, we will strive to find workable Answers with another person., or Country. The New Age of Religion is even going through a change. A lot of people are just Doing the best simplest things like prayers before meal or families Gathering at bedtime to say prayers or to kiss their children. I've seen This pickup big time.

There may be a shift in Role Models. Some men will stay house and help the Wife find satisfaction out in the world. And they will make sacrificesto [sic] do it. If the wife wants to quite Then the man goes back to work. Ted Coppel stayed home with the children, did the washing, cooking, etc., So the wife could get her degree and get established in the business world. THEN he went out and make his mark. Note the "T" in his first name and the "C" in his last name.

I think the divorce rate will slow down. People will Negotiate for What they need in life..

We will find NEW and Creative ways in transportation, space travel. And creative food supplies. Maybe the Sea. Of course that's not a prediction... is it. The number 29 is an aviation Number. The sound barrier was broke on the 29th. When you add the month and the day ...you have the 1st Pinnacle. Our space ship blew up on a 29/2 day.

We will have school at home with computers. 2,7 ,and 9 deal with Computers. We will have the best teachers in the world on the Net. With small little groups that come together to help



when a student will have a problem. And as a side not the parents will participate also.

I feel it will be a creative time with all working in harmony. Of course we have to wait for awhile. This does not happen over night.

I'm 62 and I'll be leaving soon.

BUT for those that are in it for the long Haul.

BE OF GOOD CHEER. SMILE (Thanks for the e-mail)

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Susan D. Simmons

Honolulu, HI

April, 1999

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Greetings from Perspiration Paradise. If you are coming to visit I have the following suggestions: Everyone bring sunscreen that doesn't irritate your skin, non-chemical insect repellent from the health food store, sunglasses and a hat. Women bring a scarf for days when your hat would fly off your head, a loose dress for days when it is too hot to wear pants and pants for days when it is too windy to wear a dress. And if you give lectures, workshops or consultations or would just like to get together with local astrologers for dinner, let me know. I am at PO Box 11904, Honolulu, HI 96828, sueastro@gte.net, (808) 942-5626.

To Janice Giles (99/57) - I checked to see whether the UAC lecture on void of course moons was given when the moon was v/c but no, the moon was in Gemini and didn't go v/c until almost 24 hours later. After I listened to all the tapes, I wrote the company (Audio Master) and told them what was wrong with the defective tapes and they immediately sent me replacement tapes and I didn't have to send the defective ones back.

Also, Janice, I was very interested in the other side of the fertility issue that you gave. Yes, the Jeff Green tape (NORWAC 1994 - The Nature and Function of Neptune) does stem from Dr. Jonas work. Jeff says the studies were done over a period of 10-12 years in the 1950's and 60's and involved 15,000 women. He says the study wanted to find out why some women conceived when they weren't ovulating. He says there have been conceptions when the woman is having her menses or when she is already pregnant. The results were reported in a book called Astrological Birth Control, written by 2 women. He says he has used this with clients for years and it works. He says just find the angle of the woman's sun and

moon at birth and locate the hour when it repeats every month. 85% of conceptions take place during this time, not during the ovulation cycle. For trying to conceive, he says you find the hour when the angle repeats and when this time overlaps with the ovulation there is maximum fertility. The couple should make love 16-24 hours prior to this time. I guess where you and he differ is that you say that a woman can only conceive when she is ovulating and Jeff Green says that is not actually necessary. The hour when the angle repeats is the time of conception and you can make a chart of this time (down to the minute) and you can see the viability of the fetus in the chart.

When the Moon is in a masculine sign at the time of conception it will be a boy, if in a feminine sign it will be a girl. He says there was 100% accuracy with this. When a woman here became pregnant last fall I calculated the conception chart using the angle of her natal sun and moon. The moon was in a masculine sign so I told her it would be a boy. He was born two weeks ago. The father did have an Aries Moon but their previous child was a girl. Jeff also says if you can find The Prenatal Epoch by a British astrologer, Bailey, out of print, there is more information in that. Also 2 men wrote The Redundant Male, where they say that a woman has the capacity to produce a baby without a sperm but through evolutionary process has forgotten this.

It is hard for us to evaluate either Jonas' work or the studies which don't support it. If you ever are in a position to do astrological research on this, be sure and write. Jeff gives the example of a 46 year old woman who was past childbearing and her 58 year old husband, who had a low fertility count, who wanted a child and had been through all the fertility programs without success and he figured her maximum fertility, told them when to make love, and they had a baby. So I guess I would just use it when it comes up and see what happens. I am sure some people are not here to have children this time for whatever reason, and no amount of fiddling around with the charts will produce results.

To Anne Lathrop (99/47), Yes, there are three Liliths.

1. Lilith the second Moon of the Earth, which Delphine Jay talks about in her two books, The Lilith Ephemeris 1900-2000 and Interpreting Lilith, which is newly revised and just out from AFA but available in bookstores. She does a great job. If you have Solar Fire you still need her ephemeris. She says some people call this a satellite instead

of a moon, maybe because it is non-reflective, but it does orbit the Earth every 119 days. Also, 2. Lilith the asteroid, and 3. Lilith not a body but a point in the Moon's orbit. On Solar Fire it is called the Black Moon. There is another body on Solar Fire with a similar name, the Dark Moon w/Math, but this is something else entirely and there is not enough time before the deadline to e-mail Astrolabe to find out what that is, but it is not any of the three Liliths. The only information I have found on Lilith the Black Moon is on 2 UAC 98 tapes by Verena Bachman, which I highly recommend. They are fascinating. They are Lilith: the Great Goddess in Everyday Life, (#41HG) and Lilith, the Great Goddess in Relationships (#42HG). Available from Audio Master, 85 Queen Anne Dr., Mableton, GA 30126, (770) 948-2475 or FAX (770) 948-8005. I suggest we all agree on what to call each Lilith to avoid confusion. How about Dark Moon Lilith for Delphine Jay's, plain Lilith for the asteroid and Black Moon Lilith for Verena Bachman's point in the orbit?

To **Solar Fire 4** users: In case you didn't know, you can download and install the newest version free at [www.alabe.com/sf4-update.html](http://www.alabe.com/sf4-update.html). You need to e-mail astrolabe for the password at [astrolabe@alabe.com](mailto:astrolabe@alabe.com). Each new version comes out in order to correct bugs in previous versions. It takes about 10 minutes.

To **Joan Depczynski**: Thanks for the information on out-of-bounds Moon. I do appreciate your taking the time to comment on my son's chart but he was born 12-16-69, not 1-16-69. His Moon is in Aries and so not OOB. But it sounds like things would have been just as bad if he had been born exactly 11 mo. earlier. The midpoint of his Saturn return was Nov. 24, 1998 and on Nov. 22 he was diagnosed with congestive heart failure. The doctor said it was a textbook case, he was just 30 years too young. He needs a heart transplant but cannot stand the thought, he says, of someone prying open his chest and taking his heart out and refuses to discuss it. He is stabilized on medication but everything is a big effort. I told him he was going to wait until the very end when there was no other choice and then have the transplant and he said yes, that was what he was going to do and he doesn't want to discuss it ever again. This is what happens when they get too old to mind you.

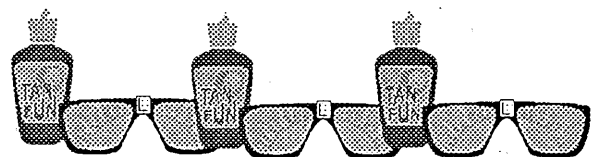
To **Ed Dearborn**: About Ray Merriman's The New Solar Return Book of Predictions. When I first started using it I was so glad to have a method and it was easy to follow and a lot of his

interpretations are taken from real experience, not guesswork. But when my birthday approached in March I spent many hours trying to find the best place to go for my solar return. Ray swears by this. But since you can't change the aspects, only the houses, there are real limitations. For instance, this year I have a grand cross. If I put it in the cadent houses that affects my health and I already have health problems. If I put it in the succedent houses it is bad for money and my son. So I ended up with it in the angles and just found out that I am in the middle of a construction project that will take over 2 years and I have to move. In addition to the grand cross I also have a triple kite this year and if I put that in the best place then the grand cross is bad and vice versa. The best I can do is to put the grand cross in the middle of the houses and not near the cusps. But when I did that the grand trine of the kite was on the cusps.

The other thing was that I started looking back at some years in which unexpected crises occurred and found that the houses you would expect to be involved weren't. So this month we had a whole meeting of our study group devoted to solar returns in which we divided up the time and each person showed one or two solar return charts of years in the past that were critical years and we found it was difficult or impossible to predict the event, although you could see it somewhat in hindsight. One thing Ray says that turned out to be true is that when Neptune is on the MC it is a year in which you will be gossiped about and your reputation will suffer. Mary Shea just came out with a revised edition of her book on solar returns and she says that you can't see events in a solar return chart, only the psychological and spiritual growth issues, and if that is true it would explain why we had so much trouble. Either that or we are expecting too much.

You can order her book from her at [MFShea47@aol.com](mailto:MFShea47@aol.com) or (410) 442-1367.

**Cammille Adams**, in her NCGR tape from the 1996 Orlando conference, does such a good job with lunar returns that I am wondering whether there might be another way to look at solar returns that would give us more information but that no one has really come up with it yet. (Thanks for the e-mail)



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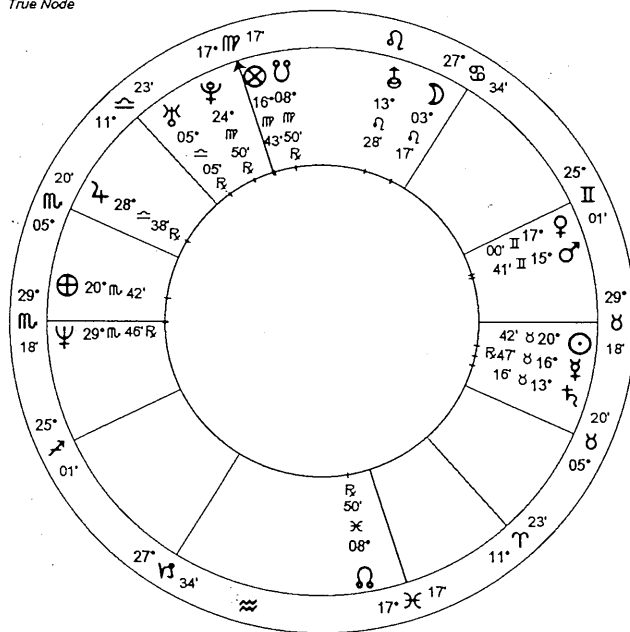
**Part 2 of three**

First chart studied, or our "Zero patient", Mr. D.O., from France. Delineation is on the organic level, the psychic level will be taught on lesson #17.

Mr. D.O. was born on May the 11th, 1970, in BEGLES, France, 44°N49', 00°W30', and at 07h58m27s, P.M. Universal Time. I will always give you "Universal Time", corrected for the value of the Equation of Time, in order to avoid any mistake on the difference in time between the Legal Time and U.T. On the date of his birth, France was one hour in advance over Greenwich. The chart is brought to you with this text.

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(PNE 16°44X)

**POLARITIES:**

First, the II/♊ polarity, with: ♂♂ to ♀, in II, ♀ to the Asc ♂ ♀.

Second Polarity: ♀/♊, with ♂ in ♀, ♀ to ♀ in ♊, ♀ also in ♊.

Third Polarity: ♂/♊, with the ☉, ♂ ♀, ♂ ♀, all 3 in ♂, and Sector (6), the Sector of the pathologies hitting during the lifetime.

Immediately, we must observe two very important factors:

1) the ☉ is in ♊ to ♀: THAT is our "signature" of ☉: the ☉ in aspect to ♀, preferably in a stressing aspect, as: 45°, 90°, 135°, or the rather new 165°, and 180°, will ALWAYS warn of the risk of developing a cancer for the subject. But, as we will learn in further lessons, all Kepler aspects, and even a ✕, according to the rest of the chart, can be considered as a warning to a "risk" of cancer.

2) In the II/♊ polarity, since ♊ = legs, we consult our Quantified Zodiac and we read that, on the degree 003° of ♊, there is "right femur". This precise point is ♂ to the Asc and to ♀, and falls on the right side of the body (see Lesson #12, the Nodal Chart) So, we immediately observe that Mr. D.O. has a very heavy risk of developing cancer on the right leg, which he actually did. Furthermore, we see that his Immune System, ♀ and the sign ♊, shows a weak immune system. Because ♀ is in a Cesquin aspect to ♂ and if we follow what is called a "Hamilton circuit", between: ♂...☉...♀...♊...♀, we are "right back" to ♀, and its warning about the immune system, going through the cancer signature of ☉ ♊ ♀...! This is an example of a cancer.

Now, we observe each Health Sector:

Sector (1): On the very last degree of ♊, which means that, at a very young age, our patient is already living his ♊ influence on his Sector (1), or his own body...and soul, of course. We have already delineated his ♀, and seen the dangerous 003° ♊, or right femur. Never forget that every time you see a very, very weak immune system, you have to think about a risk of heavy pathology at some time in the life of the subject. Also, keep in mind "cancer is inscribed in the genes". 32nd Congress of the American Society for Clinical Oncology is in May 1996, Philadelphia.

Sector (4): Only observe, at this stage of your course, that we have, on the I.C. point: a sesqui-square from the ☉, at 8°7' ♊, a Mid-Point: ♀/♀, at 16°35' ♊ and a ✕ from ♀ at 6°48' ♊. We will learn what that means, in terms of the Genes. at Lesson #15.

Sector (6): Heavily charged, with: ☉, ♀, ♀, all ♂ and in Cesquin to ♊: all stressing aspects to ♊ will show an amplification of the health problem, always. Plus the fact that the ☉ is in ♊ to ♀: this

last planet being directly opposed to  $\mathfrak{J}$  in  $\Upsilon$ : the terrible health problem will cause deep mental stress, which actually happened.

Sector (8): Soon in his lifetime, he arrived in Cancer, in this sector, and we are right back to  $\mathfrak{D} \dots \mathfrak{P}$ , etc., since the  $\mathfrak{D}$  is the ruler of  $\mathfrak{Q}$ , sector (8), for the rest of his life.

Sector (12): In  $\mathfrak{M}$ , back to  $\mathfrak{P}$ , which confirms the heavy pathology as we can always observe in sector (12), if any.

Now, we can also look at his P.N.E.: at  $16^{\circ}44$  of  $\mathfrak{X}$ , it is almost  $\sigma$  to the I.C., another sign of his pathology.

Thus, we have here a good case of cancer of the right leg, which "could have been forecasted years in advance" and lots of preventive measures could have been taken, and maybe he could have avoided altogether this awful disease.

#### PROTEINS:

Our organism constructs Proteins, from very simple blocks, called Amino-Acids. There are twenty six different amino-acids, ten or fifteen more are known, but I do not know their functions. Each species of amino-acids constructs its own brand of proteins. To show you a simple example: beef and pork are basically protein, but they taste different because they are not the same kind of protein. Same for each animal, its organism puts the amino-acid building block in a variety of different ways, characteristic of the species.

The breaking down of the protein into amino-acids is a  $\sigma$  process. Like all acids, the amino-acids are ruled by  $\sigma$ . The reassembling of these acids into the body is a  $\mathfrak{Q}$  process, since  $\mathfrak{Q}$  symbolizes the synthesis of simpler substances into those that are more complex.  $\sigma$  and  $\mathfrak{Q}$  traditionally represent opposites in astrology. Same as  $\mathfrak{Q}$  and  $\mathfrak{L}$  are always paired, as are  $\sigma$  and  $\mathfrak{h}$ .  $\mathfrak{L}$  rules fat and weight gain, while  $\mathfrak{h}$  rules feces and weight loss. Here, we see how you will be able to forecast periods where some people go to obesity, while others-or the same "experience the opposite" we have a living example of this, young "Marie". You also understand, now how we can observe cases of Diabetes, a common disease in populations of too "civilized" people whose diet is not correct.

$\mathfrak{P}$ , which represents heredity, along with what you will be able to discover on the Genoma of humans, and all processes of replication, ultimately controls the replication of worn-out protein by new protein. It rules the cell "nucleus", which contains the hereditary material that is the template on which the amino-acids are reassembled, to form new protein. When

something happens to  $\mathfrak{P}$ , as when it is linked by an aspect to the  $\mathfrak{D}$ , see this cancer case, the metabolism of the cell goes awry and we have a cancerous cell, which accounts for  $\mathfrak{P}$  rulership over cancerous growths and tumors. We have seen cases where the subject had a "tumor", not cancerous, and  $\mathfrak{P}$  was badly aspected, but NOT with the  $\mathfrak{D}$ .

$\mathfrak{h}$ , exalted in  $\mathfrak{A}$  rules the protein.  $\mathfrak{h}$ , with the  $\mathfrak{D}$ , ultimately determines the body's form and shape, including the skeleton, which is also  $\mathfrak{h}$  ruled,  $\mathfrak{h}$ , then, is exalted in  $\mathfrak{A}$ , while  $\sigma$  is exalted in  $\mathfrak{W}$ ,  $\mathfrak{h}$  sign. You will learn that  $\mathfrak{A}$  is, in fact, and only very recently, the sign of rulership of  $\mathfrak{J}$ , as we will explain, and show on examples, in the 2nd degree of this Medaps courses. Only accept this, as of now, and on lesson #16, about AIDS, you will "see the light" as far as  $\mathfrak{J}$  is concerned. I do hope you all have already studied  $\mathfrak{J}$ , if not, I can advise the good book from Zane B. Stein on  $\mathfrak{J}$ : "Essence and Application", CAO Times editor. We cannot fully understand Medaps if we ignore the nature and forces, whether positive or negative, of  $\mathfrak{J}$ . Personally, I have over 345 cases of AIDS in my files, they show  $\mathfrak{J}$  co-responsible of AIDS on a 99% statistical percentage. Same as  $\mathfrak{D}$  with  $\mathfrak{P}$ , for cancers.

I should insist here on the earlier astrologers connotations of "good" and "bad" for, by example,  $\mathfrak{L}$  and  $\mathfrak{h}$ :  $\mathfrak{L}$  can be a deadly "beast", same as  $\mathfrak{h}$  can be a wonderful planet when, for instance, on the  $\mathfrak{M}$  of my good friend Mr. H.W. fabulous computer engineer...!

#### AMINO ACIDS:

Eight of the amino acids are essential to the well-being of our organism. A deficiency of one or more of these essential amino acids will have extremely harmful effects upon the body.

Some of these deficiencies are:

- Lowered blood pressure
- Poor digestion and constipation
- Fatigue, loss of endurance
- Bones fractures more often
- Possibility of osteoporosis
- Weakened hair and nails
- Weaker immune system
- Anemia
- Weaker muscle tone

Unless we eat combinations of foods that contain adequate amounts of all the essential proteins, normal body functions are impaired. Here, I must warn vegetarians: no single plant can bring in sufficient amount a supply of these essential amino acids, not even Soya. Mushrooms

are the only plant food that comes close to a fair enough supply of the essential amino acids.

This is the most important Lesson, that you should study fully, and start to practice on charts for which you are reasonably certain of the birth time: Always from a birth certificate. You MUST practice by yourself, please do Not believe me "blindly", check by yourselves, check again and again, on as many charts as you have of "risks" of cancers, for this lesson. We will delve into many more hard pathologies, and, each time, check by yourself, and...you will see Medaps, the Genaps, at work, chart after chart, after chart.

Contact me at penguern@aol.com if you wish so.

**End part 2 - To be continued**

**BYRON WAHL  
BARRE, VT  
MARCH, 199**

Using Solar Fire v4.08 with preferences set for ASC via true geocentric latitude, parallax MOON, MEAN NODE, CAMPANUS Houses, Tropical, geocentric, etc.

St. Louis, Mo., brick apartment house fire above pizza parlor, gasoline ARSON 6 children died - mother leaped from third floor, injured...African-Americans

FRIDAY, 12 March 1999, 4:19 PM, CST +6, 38N42, 90W16 ASC 1Virgo27, SUN 21Pisces53, MOON 20Capricorn11 MARS/PLUTO midpoint conj. I.C. MEAN NORTH NODE 20Leo39 in XII, eleven degrees above ASC. MERCURY 3Aries35 Rx VIII SEXTILE NEPTUNE 3Aquarius34 VI -- possibly a harbinger of a coming drought. (My natal geo VENUS exactly conj. DESC.)

SABIAN SYMBOL VIRGO 2 A large white cross upraised Keyword GLORIFICATION

The children died at about this time or within the next couple of minutes. When the ASC reached VIRGO 3 Two angels bringing protection Keyword SECURITY

The ARABIC PARTS (traditional rulerships, SOLFIRE 4) for ASC 1Virgo27 indicate that MARS was conj. PART of DEATH (orb 7min)

MERCURY Rx opposed PART of LOVE (orb 41min)

CHIRON conj. PART of DAUGHTERS (orb 44min)

The Arabic Part of Death is very telling because the **genesis** of the tragedy was a **quarrel**,

shortly before the arson, between the mother and her lover.

Robert Thompson, walking by, first noticed the fire at about 4:10 PM. The firemen arrived at 4:15 PM but within minutes it was all over.

Returning to the SABIAN SYMBOLS we see VIRGO 4 A colored child playing with white children.....Keyword INTIMACY

See: The St. Louis Post-Dispatch on-line edition, 13 March 1999. (Thanks for the e-mail.)

DEFIANCE GREGG

SEASIDE, OR

APRIL, 1999

♈ ♉ Asc II

Happy Easter all,

I forgot the chat room Wednesday evening until my neighbor came over at 8:30PM to remind me. Slightly late. I had spent the evening watching Practical Magic which was great. If you get a chance pick it up. We had a 99cent special at Hollywood Video. One of them were Sandra Bulloch or something to that affect. I thought it was the best humorous witch story I had seen in a while. Meanwhile I fell asleep right afterward, when watching the War effort. My special prayers and thanks to Pope John Paul for sending a letter to the President of Yugoslavia which may speed up Peace in our times. God knows we are in a bind over this for some time to come, and now with our first soldiers captured. I know their families are out of their mind as they see their kid's faces on TV, pushing for a land offensive agreement by we citizens as a pay back for war prisoners. Let's all pray this nightmare will soon resolve itself within this century. We only have a few months left to make peace in our time..after 2000, the century belongs to the very young.

I saw people crossing America, walking like Refugees, and a reporter came up to them and asked them why they were filling up the roads. We're walking until they stop bombing and we won't go home until it's stopped because there are no homes over there any longer for anyone to go home to. They will be doing that to us if we don't stop the war now. I know it was because I have been upset about what is called a necessary action to bring peace in the world. It may be a premonition that in the future, we all may be refugees from bombs. Is anyone else having bad dreams or am I the only one that is concerned about the future of America. (Thanks for the e-mail.)



THE FOLLOWING LETTERS ARE TAKEN FROM  
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MARION MARCH  
ENCINO, CA

BIRTH DATA MILOSEVIC: Joyce states: Yes apparently Milosevic was born on this date 8/20/41 (?), at 22:00 hours P.M. MET (=21:00 GMT) - there are other times floating around, but Taeger lists 22:00 hours (given my Milosevic to an astrologer) **ED STEINBRECHER's** database rates the chart DD (dirty data) He also lists the birthday for August 20, 1940, but gives a time quoted by the AFA bulletin #106 as 3:20 A.M. CET (-1) in Porzarevac, Yugoslavia, 44N37, 21E11. The DD rating is because other birth times he has seen has been 2:30 A.M. So 2:30 A.M., 3:20 A.M. and 22:00 (10:00 P.M.). The two early times give him  $\Omega$  Asc, 1st house  $\odot$ , the P.M. chart gives him  $\delta$  Asc, 4th house  $\odot$ . To me he acts more like a  $\Omega$  Asc,  $\hbar$  on the Mc chart, than  $\delta$  Asc, ruler  $\varphi$  in  $\otimes$  and no planets in the 10th. But this is a 2 minutes evaluation, not an in depth analysis!

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(I'm not sure who wrote this for ISAR e-mail letter. Edie)

Milosevic's birth data was given in newsletter #20, with the statement that the time zone in use was -1 (MET). However, the ACS Atlas on my computer gives it as -2 (EET), and the book agrees, showing that Yugoslavia used EET from 18 April 1941 to 2 Nov. 1942. One could infer that this was War Time, not just Summer Time. No matter which of the two time zones you use, he has  $\delta$  Asc. With EET, the Asc is  $\square$   $\mathbb{P}$  and the  $\mathbb{D}$ ; with MET, the Asc is  $\sigma$   $\hbar$ . Either way, he's stubborn as we all know.

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MARGUERITE darBOGGIA  
SANTA PAULA, CA

The time of 7:26 EDT for George Bush Jr. mentioned in newsletter #20, is very interesting. In the year 2000 there is an eclipse on his Asc (7:07  $\Omega$ ) and progressed  $\Psi$   $\times$  his Asc. Progressed  $\mathbb{A}$   $\sigma$  his natal I.C. However, in 2000 progressed  $\sigma$  will  $\square$  his  $\odot$ .  $\sigma$  is the ruler of his  $\mathbb{T}$  Mc. My opinion is if he runs for the office of Presidency, he probably will not win.

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JIM SHAWVAN, SAN DIEGO, CA.

(I knew Joyce well, stayed with her many times. I knew her office placement and don't think Jim (her husband) came "downstairs" since their bedroom was on the same floor as the kitchen and office. Several of us were very fond of Joyce, still think of her often and miss her. She was all excited when she called to tell me "this  $\times$  is moving to Explore Rd. in San Diego." Edie)

This is in answer to **MARGUERITE darBOGGIA's** query as to whether anyone has Joyce Wehrman's death data. I was a student of Joyce Wehrman's at the time of her death. I was told by other friends of hers that she had stayed up late working in a small office off her kitchen, and was found dead by her husband when he came downstairs in the morning. She was sitting in a chair, leaning over, reaching for something -- a position of the body which can put pressure on the blood vessels in the brain, according to two nurses who were among her students. She had been diagnosed with high blood pressure quite some time earlier, I believe. Her death occurred in her home in La Mesa, Ca. (a suburb east of San Diego) on the night of Oct. 7-8, 1989. Her time of death is unknown, but if anyone cares to use a time which was obtained psychically, I have found 4:14 A.M. on October 8th, 1989 to "work" in the charts. Without relying on a speculative time for death, but using only her known birth data, it is worth looking at the Precession-Corrected returns preceding her death: Solar, Quartisolar, Lunar, and Quartilunar. I'll leave it to interested readers to cast the charts for themselves, based on her birth data of Dec. 19, 1935, 10:38 A.M. MST, Denver, Colorado. However, both the Solar and Quartisolar have strong indications of trouble, and it is interesting that both have 8th house  $\mathbb{D}$ . In the Quartisolar, the  $\mathbb{D}$  is not only in the 8th, but also  $\rho$  to her natal  $\mathbb{A}$  and  $\sigma$  her natal I.C. Joyce herself did not use PC returns, but based on either intuitive perceptions or some other astrological techniques (she didn't say), she had dropped some hints during the weeks before her death, and several of her students, including myself, believe that she saw it coming. In any case, she passed away at her desk, doing what she loved to do -- studying astrology.

I know that Marguerite darBoggia is interested in past life studies using the horoscope, and I hope this information is useful to her, as well as to others who may want to study "The Astrology

of Death" (to use the title of Richard Houck's book).

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MARY SCHNEIDER

DENVER, CO.

APRIL 10, 1999

Well, here is another one! This from Astronet and they claim that it came from a Yugoslav Astrologer. August 11, 1941, Around 10:00 P.M. MEWT. Seems like the only thing now in agreement is the place of birth and the L&L.

(ISAR gave some info from Naomi Bennet who got it from Teague overseas. As Mary said the birthplace and L&L are the same - two dates I've heard are 8/20/41 or 8/29/41 and the time MET=21:00 GMT - looks like the time is close except on place gives MET and the other MEWT. Can we at least get the time zone right?

A few more times: Toronto Star from Robin Armstrong, Aug. 29, 1941 - no time given.

3:20 A.M. CET (-1) or 2:30 A.M. (See Marion March's note to ISAR). Also 10:00 P.M.

Time zone in ACS Atlas gives 2 EET (4/41 to 11/42) (War Time and Summer Time?) Edie)

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SALLY HARRINGTON

CAMANO ISLAND, WA

MARCH, 1999

On 12/26/93 I backed into my son-in-law's car that he parked too close to the garage...It was dark and I'm not used to having anything behind the garage.... on an acre... maybe a rabbit now and then but they move.... it was about \$600 damage to his little Toyota.. No damage to my Subaru. We should of paid it but didn't.. isn't that why one pays for insurance...that was the first mistake... Then Jan. on M.L. Kings b'day, I went around a curve too fast on a country road, not realizing the ditch was deep. One side of the car slid into it... I kept trying to pull out but it didn't work... Finally I turned off the motor after banging the car against the dirt bank for several minutes.... turned out it was \$3000 damage to the car and 3 months of physical therapy and massage... On Mothers day I drove to Seattle from the island to go to dinner with my daughter and son-in-law... for a change rather than having them drive up... another mistake... I was still on pain pills for my neck and back...After a movie, we went to dinner... I had a pain pill with a glass of wine..then drove

the 60 miles home... After about 25 miles I could hardly keep my eyes open... I turned on the air conditioning and rolled all the windows down which was very uncomfortable but helped... I was so relieved to be about 6 miles from home..The next thing I knew I was startled by a crashing sound... I'd fallen asleep for a second and hit the bridge... the same side they just repaired...I'll tell you I was wide awake after that. I didn't need any more cold air... I was afraid to get out and look at the damage so waited till I got home...another \$2,000 ... Then in June, I was caught speeding, first time in 10 years that I got a ticket. We got a letter from the insurance company that they couldn't renew our insurance... Right. what else is new... they said they would of if it had been only 2 accidents... moral of the story is pay for a small accident yourself... you never know when you'll need the insurance company... They placed us with their substandard company. The cost went from \$80 a month to \$210 for 3 years. Finally nothing more happened and I was accepted by the original company and the normal rates in mid 97. As for aspects, Uranus and Neptune were opposite my Asc. with Sun and Mars hitting my T-square off of Mercury 3rd ruler square Mars in Scorpio 4th and Uranus in the 10th. That was #1. Then in Jan. for the 2nd one, Mars joined Uranus exact both opposite my Asc. and Pluto... Mercury hit the T-square 4 5 and 8 degrees of fixed signs For #3 Uranus was still opposite Pluto in Asc. while Mars went exact square my Asc.. Uranus was opposite Pluto for several years and square to my Moon, Asc ruler in the 4th. Uranus rules my 8th house. In addition to the heavy cost of car insurance for three years, in '95 my husband passed away & his daughter contested my will. We are still in a court battle and will go to the final hearing in the summer..(Uranus in square to my Moon) In 96 my Mother passed along with my stepdad..and in '97 two friends passed away. All this while both T-Uranus was square it's own place in the 10th, square Mars in the 4th and opposite Mercury in the Asc.. In addition t Neptune was opposite Pluto and square my Moon. Finally Uranus has moved away from my T-square and Neptune has moved in for 3 more years. Oh well... such is life..

Happy spring flowers.

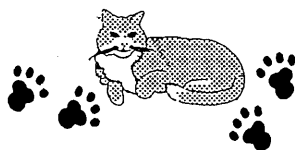
moonfire@whidbey.net (Thanks for the e-mail.)

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BUMPER STICKER

We have enough youth, how about a fountain of smart?

AMBER DAWN  
BEULAH, CO  
APRIL, 1999  
☉ ♀ ♀ Asc VS Mc M.



III I don't remember being born, but I was. My Adored One talks to me all the time, and once told me that my particulars are October 12, 1990, at 2 P.M., 40N36'35", 111W56'18". My Adored One explained that in my traditional chart (fig. 1) it shows a concentration of Cardinal & Fixed along with Air and Earth explaining my motivation and persistence, my curiosity and perception, my reliability and oneness of possessiveness; and, that this setup nearly is the same in My Adored One's chart. My Adored One does other kinds of charts, like the 90° circle (fig. 2) and the 45° graph, and told me that I have a predominance of Cardinal and Fixed with a singleton in Mutable. Oh, I guess I should tell you that according to My Adored One I'm a *Kitty Kat* - of the Birman variety, soft fluffy fur, and a definite lady. I squeak rather than do the normal cat type "meow".

I grew up quickly as all of us do, living in a cage a lot of the time. That was so awful as I wanted freedom ( $\text{♁}=\text{A}$ ;  $\sigma=\text{☉}/\text{☽}$ ). There was The Mean One who I despised because of being treated so mean ( $\text{♁}=\text{☉}=\text{A}/\text{M}$ ). But, The Young One was good to me. I hated the cage, not being fed enough and being 'stretched out' with rough handling by The Mean One ( $\text{♁}=\text{☉}/\sigma$ ,  $\sigma/\text{♁}$ ). There were a lot of brothers and sisters with me, plus others who were older. We all lived in cages. The Mean One occasionally would take a few of us in cages out of the basement and take us to Cat Shows. I didn't mind the ride in the car ( $\text{☽}=\text{♁}=\sigma/\text{A}$ ,  $\text{♀}=\text{☉}/\text{♁}/\sigma$ ) as I was out of that awful basement. But how I longed to escape and find someone I could love and be with that treated me nicely.

One day when I was about six months old, I heard the Mean One tell The Young One that I was being taken away forever. The Young One cried and pleaded to keep me, but The Mean One said no, that a dog was going to come and replace me. The Mean One said that The Young One would like a dog better. The Young One could do

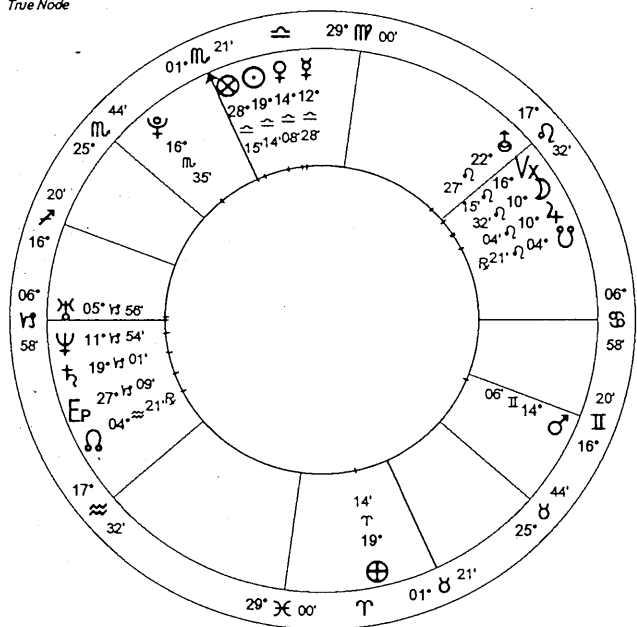
nothing. I was afraid that my life was over. The Mean One put me in a little cage and placed it into the car. I know there were several other grown cats in small cages too. This was April 23, 1991. We were driven about 800 miles to attend a Cat Show. But I was left in the car. It was hot. I had no water and no food. Finally at night I was given a little food and water, and shown the sandbox, then put back into that horrible little cage. After several days the other cats and I went to yet another state. But I had to stay in the cage in the car, alone. No food and no water. Not even the windows were cracked open a little. It was really hot. By this time it was April 28, 1991. Suddenly the car opened, The Mean One took me out of the horrible cage in the hot car and in the cool breeze outside handed me to this person I knew instantly that I would adore. I named the person My Adored One. I purred loudly and rubbed My Adored One's cheek. Oh, if only I could live with My Adored One. I rubbed My Adored One over and over. A few minutes later Another One came to see me. I just knew these two persons were together. If I was to change my life's circumstances and get away from The Mean One and stay with My Adored One, I had to make Another One like me. So I kissed Another One on the nose - first and last time I ever would do that. My heart belonged to My Adored One. Then I saw smiles on their faces. I knew then my life would change and I would gain the freedom and attention I wanted.

Later my Adored One would tell me that the Lunar Return for April showed many indications (some of them are  $\text{t } \text{♁}=\text{n } \text{☉}/\text{☽}$ ;  $\text{t } \text{♀}=\text{n } \text{☉}$ ,  $\text{A}/\text{M}$ ;  $\text{t } \text{♀}=\text{n } \text{☉}/\text{M}$ ,  $\text{♁}/\text{♀}$ ,  $\text{♁}/\text{M}$ ;  $\text{t } \text{♁}=\text{n } \text{♀}/\text{M}$ ,  $\text{♁}/\text{♁}$ ;  $\text{t } \text{☉}=\text{t } \text{A}=\text{n } \text{M}$ ;  $\text{t } \text{♀}=\text{n } \text{☉}/\text{♀}$ ;  $\text{t } \text{♁}=\text{n } \text{♁}$ ) that I would suddenly and in an unusual way find peace, love, and contentment with another. If only I had known that before I spent many a catnap sleeping fitfully and wishing for change and freedom.

On April 28, 1991, about 1:00 P.M., I saw The Mean One take some paper from My Adored One, then I left The Mean One forever. Free at last! Later My Adored One (MAO) for short) told me that  $\text{t } \text{☽}$  was just past my  $\text{M}$ ;  $\text{t } \text{A}=\text{my } \text{♁}$  and MAO's  $\text{☽}$ ,  $\text{t } \text{♁}=\text{my } \text{♁}$  and MAO's  $\text{☽}$ ;  $\text{t } \text{♀}=\text{AO's } \text{☉}$ ;  $\text{t } \text{♀}=\text{my } \text{☉}$ ,  $\text{A}/\text{M}$ ,  $\text{♁}/\text{M}$ ;  $\text{t } \text{♁}=\text{my } \text{♀}$ ,  $\text{☉}/\text{A}$ ,  $\text{♀}/\text{♀}$  and there were lots more when I gained my freedom and new loved one. We drove about 70 miles to my new home. I found there was plenty of food, water, and NO cages. I purred and made it known to all that My Adored One would be first in my life, all others I liked would be second. At my new home was another one of my kind, a black cat. She too, has a lot of Air, Fire and Fixed in her

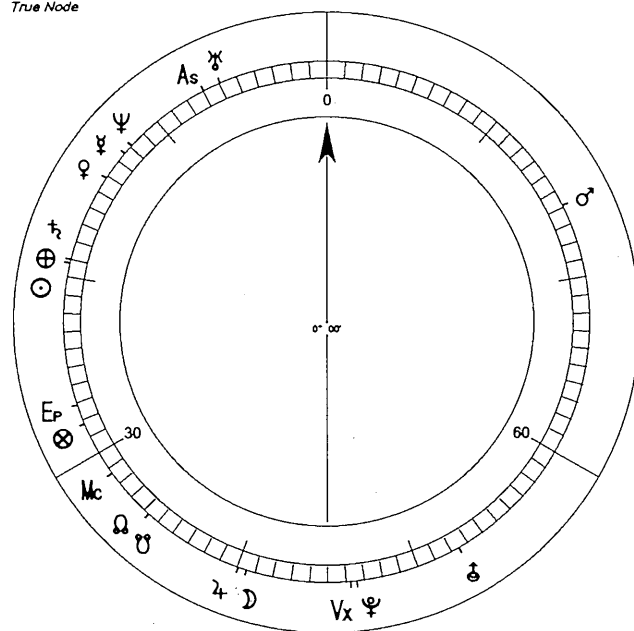
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Well, one time on July 19, 1991, life wasn't too great. MAO took me to a vet Dr. to get an operation ( $t \text{ P} = n \text{ } \sigma / \text{H}$ ;  $t \text{ } \sigma / \text{H} = n \text{ P}$ ). MAO had worried a bit that I might have an allergy, but didn't know what it was. I have  $\Psi = \varnothing$ ,  $\oslash/\sigma$  and MAO thought this could spell out sensitivities or allergies. Later in the day I woke up really sore with bandages on my stomach. MAO took me home and I didn't feel well at all. Then I started to sneeze constantly, for two days. Didn't eat much either, and was really lethargic. I was taken back to

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I have done quite a bit of traveling, so far to over 30 states plus Canada. Mostly, we stay in a camper which I really like, a few times in motels. Must be influenced by my  $\frac{b}{2}=A$ . For 'pit stops', MAO puts a collar and leash on me then I get out and walk around. If MAO uses the potty in the

camper, I always use my sandbox at the same time, every time.

MAO likes to work on charts. Every time these charts are out and spread all across the table, I simply walk around on them then lie down on the one MAO is currently working with and purr. I think this is how to learn astrology. It's a cat's MAO.

P.S. My Adored One who just finished reading the 100th edition of *Mercury Hour* wanted you to know that this article about me was first published in the July, 1998, issue of *Cosmobiology International Journal*.



**ED DEARBORN  
NORWOOD, PA  
APRIL, 1999**

☉ ☽ ☿ Asc ☿ Mc ☿

**SUSAN MANUEL (100/49)** refers to the August 1999 Grand Cross. This particular configuration happens in Fixed Signs and encompasses the Solar Eclipse of August 11, 1999 at 18° 21' with its Solstice Point at 11° 8' 39'. For me this is an interesting interlocking of:

1. The ☿ R<sub>X</sub> station of March 18, 1999 at 12° 12' that **opposes**
2. The Solstice Point of the Solar Eclipse of August 11, 1999 at 11° 8' 39'.
3. The Solstice Point of the ☿ R<sub>X</sub> station of March 11th at 17° 39' that **opposes**
4. The Solar Eclipse of August 11th at 18° 21'
5. In the Solar Eclipse chart for August 11th we find the ☽'s True Nodes at 12° 21' 58' R<sub>X</sub> that **square**
6. The ☿ R<sub>X</sub> station and the Solstice Point of the Solar Eclipse.
7. The Stellium of May, 2000 activates the planets in ☿, ♈, ♉, & ♊.

As Susan Manuel (100/49) states the Grand Cross [at the time of the August 11, 1999 Solar Eclipse] are ♈ (16° 53'), ♉ (14° 14' R<sub>X</sub>), and ☿ (16° 51') [with the Solar Eclipse itself at 18° 21'].

When one adds the declinations into the Solar Eclipse chart, we find parallels of the ☽ to ☉, ☉ to ♈, ☽ to ♈, and ☿ to ♉. The contraparallels include ♉ to ☿, ☉ to ♈, ☽ to ♈, and ♈ to the ☽'s True ♈. For Washington, D.C., also we have parallels of both ♉ and ♈ to the Washington Asc; each of these will be beneficial to the U.S. ☿ is contra-parallel to the Washington Mc which is fine if

the motives of the U.S. Government are wholesome and fair, Hey! Maybe we will win one. ☺.

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MARCH, 1999**

☉ ☽ ☿ Asc ☿ Mc ☿

Thank you for the reminder card. I wouldn't want to miss a single issue of *Mercury Hour*.

My husband and I have been so busy with library volunteer things (and genealogy when we can fit it in) that I have ignored astrology for several years. I need a good delineation program for my computer! (How about letting Barbara know which one you think is good, Edie.)



VICTORIA STEPHENS  
SAN FRANCISCO, CA  
APRIL, 1999

Om Dg

**MARGUERITE darBOGGIA (100/4):** I read your book review on A Scientific Approach to the Metaphysics of Astrology by Enrique Linares in the 100th Edition of the *Mercury Hour* and was, as you stated initially were, taken aback by Linares's assertion that the three primary colors are said to be red, blue and green. Not only do all textbooks state that the primary colors are red, yellow and blue (as you also said) but it really is somewhat of a Holy Grail in physics. I wonder why Linares and, as you mentioned, Alice Bailey, would feel a need to change this accepted axiom. I know only a little theory, e.g. reflected light shows the color it is not and radiant light shows the only color that is (whatever "it" is). Also, along the radiant light lines, it is unknown why we are born with a perception of light and color and, along the lines of the aforementioned Holy Grail, many believe that deep within the human brain there also sits a point of absolute radiant light, like the sun, which is a much more interesting concept. I asked my brother Mark, an artist, about Linares's assertion and he could only say. "Remember, Vickye, there is evil in the world."

**ED DEARBORN (100/5):** The question of exclusiveness in astrology groups is a tough one to answer and maybe all answers would be okay depending on circumstances...somewhat of a non-answer, I know, I have a master's degree and am certified by the AFA. I sat on the Board of PAI (not sure if it still exists) and took their certification test around the same period. I sat on the Board of an NCGR chapter for a period but never took their certification tests...I would have been insulted if that had been a requirement...it wasn't required at the time and I don't know about now. In many ways this is a question regarding the battle between different groups as to who really has the answers, who really knows, who really uses the right system, etc. Nobody really cares except for the people who feel the need for affinity towards one particular group OVER another, sometimes called the "True Believer" syndrome and often thought to be the purview of the upper-class (new money), i.e. prestige, power, and all that. It's "kinda" like accepting membership in certain Churches. A few years back, during a spiritual awakening, I began listening to a few Bible radio pastors and then began going to a few sermons of a particular denomination, an offshoot of the

Church of Christ. When I casually began talking to the church members about the radio pastors I was listening to the "groupthink" reaction was, "Well, they aren't as good as our pastor." Human beings are human beings. Personally, right now I'm craving finding a group that shares my interest in astrology, the occult in general, the human condition, history, religion, and politics. I've thought of starting my own salon (a sweeping statement is that all the different groups come from one person's ideal impetus anyway). There is also the question of the human love of secrets or private knowledge. Then there is what seems to be your question, does a college degree or a certification from this or that astrology group really supply anything meaningful to initial membership in a group in and of themselves. My answer is no and any astrology group that has such shallow and ill-thought-out strict requirements for membership isn't worth supporting or even talking about...well maybe it would supply some interesting conversation topics. They will just die on their own.

**GUY de PENGUERN (100/7-8):** An interesting, but difficult to understand first lesson in medical astrology. Without access to the original findings of Professor Etienne Guille (and, unfortunately, I don't read French), the lesson seems incomplete. I think what you said was that Professor Guille has done extensive scientific-community-accepted research in how the various cosmic rays actually effect specific metal molecules. Since human beings carry traces of just about all (maybe all) metal molecules, this would indeed be very interesting information for astrologers. Is The Alchemy of Life available in English? If not, do you plan on a translation for us? Also, later in your article, you ask that we stop and think about having only two always positive aspects and many that are almost always negative. Forgive my apparent ignorance but what do you mean by that statement?

**JOAN DEPCZYNSKI (100/20):** I missed **JOSEPH SILVEIRA DEMELLO's** remarks to you (I gave the last *MH* to a new astrologer who I hope will subscribe, John Nitis) but it sounds like he pushed a button and that issue has become a bit too vitriolic (per **EDITH's** decision not to allow the discussion to go in the pages of *MH*). Genocide is such a horrible concept and I really don't think, although I do know something of our secret wars and the love of testing the weapons we build, that it is a term that should be applied to this country nor its actions; nor do I believe that the American people are as ignorant as many believe. I'm a

great believer in heuristic argument, however, and it was interesting to read that Saddam Hussein owns the people-mover system at O'Hare and that he owns the company that publishes "Family Circle." What a kick (not to make light of a serious situation)! Where do you get this information? Any tidbits from the Balkans?

**T. PATRICK DAVIS (100/31):** I, too, miss all the astrological activity that used to be. Where is everyone? Long ago in the *MH*, I can't remember when, an Australian astrologer said that members of the early "Boom" generation were really somewhat isolationist and antisocial due to the  $\mathbb{P}/\mathbb{h} \sigma$ . I didn't believe it at the time but, gee, here I sit somewhat isolated but not really feeling anti-social...closer to ante-social actually, hoping the social activities will begin any day now and sure that one day they will come but little direct energy to create it myself. I haven't been to an astrology convention in a very long time but plan to attend the AFA's coming up next year in Las Vegas. The reason I haven't been going is that I don't come away with very much except books and supplies. Many speakers don't seem to prepare themselves for convention attendees that are (used to be?) relatively knowledgeable astrologers/occultists with wide-ranging formal and/or self-education. However, there's also that little, "trust no-one" situation. And, there's that really somewhat strange AFA decision (is it still true?) to actually make ALL lecturers pay the attendance fee. I can maybe understand not waving the beginning level, unknown lecturers fees (most are using the conventions as stepping stones anyway) but experienced top astrologers who are providing solid, professional workshops, lectures, etc., shouldn't have to pay to attend. It just doesn't jibe, unless the Board also feels that, ultimately, they will walk away with nothing. What would make you come back into the social-fold? What would make us all come back into the social-fold? Does **DON BORKOWSKI's**  $\odot/\mathbb{P} \sigma$  statement (100/43) that, "There are probably no more than 5 astrologers that I deem to be worth listening to, and the number is growing smaller by the day," speak for all of us. I hope not. And, I wonder how Don feels knowing that he wouldn't be one of those 5 astrologers on most astrologers' lists. Does anyone really care?

**VIRGINIA A. REYER (100/32):** My goodness, Virginia, your mother was at the medical mercy of the Nazis! How could someone survive having their pituitary gland extracted through their eyes and live? What a sad and

tearful human state of affairs--may this never be possible again. You and the rest of your family must have gone through a tremendous healing process. Homeopathy was a wise and beautiful alchemical path for you to take.

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**DIANA JOY SPONAUGLE  
LAUREL, MD  
MARCH, 1999**

**III** I always felt that the  $\mathbb{h} \Delta \text{Asc}$  was the correct one for Clinton's chart. Monica proved it. I believe in the old rules and with her  $\mathbb{U}$  exactly on his  $\mathbb{M}$  she really hurt his reputation. I have never seen that rule work so well.

As for the new chart for Hillary, baloney. The adage of never trust mother's memory works here. Hillary has a  $0 \mathbb{T} \mathbb{D}$ . This would put her  $\mathbb{D}$  at the world point. I do not think people realize how world famous she is. Carl Bernstein is going to write a biography about her. He just finished one on the Pope and he says that next to the Pope she is the most famous in the world. She has been all over the globe making speeches. The 5th house  $\odot$  explains her leadership of the Children Defense Fund and her great love of her daughter. 5th house  $\odot$  often give up their causes (for a time) because of their passion for their husband. Besides, one combination I knew all too well is  $\mathbb{T}/\mathbb{M}$ , and she is one.

I love the articles. I made a mistake in my last letter. The Arabic points are the subject I have been studying with delight. For years, I only marveled at how well the point of marriage and sign of fortune worked in my chart. Since then I have been working on chart comparisons and find connections between people that are not evident any other way. The connection can be good or lethal. I understand some cases of incest. This would never be an excuse to be acted upon, but, it would be something to be aware of, and to watch for.

I do not know much about  $\mathbb{J}$ . Would anyone care to comment on  $\mathbb{J} \sigma$  the anti-Vertex?

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Thanks to **CHERYL NIGGLE** for these.

Why did the chicken cross the road?  
Colonel Sanders: I missed one?

Bill Gates: I have just released the new chicken 2000, which will both cross roads AND balance your checkbook, though when it divides 3 by 2 it gets 1.4999999999.

**VIRGINIA A. REYER**  
**GLENDAL, AZ**  
**APRIL, 1999**

☉ II ☽ Asc II

The Vertex/Anti-Vertex axis is the intersection of the ecliptic and the prime vertical, it is where the Western sky cuts the ecliptic. Charles Jayne used this axis as an important indicator of critical events in a person's life.

Johndro called the  $V_{tx}$  the electrical Asc. The opposite point of the  $V_{tx}$  is called the Anti- $V_{tx}$  or electrical DESC. You may draw a line across the horoscope for the  $V_{tx}$ /Anti- $V_{tx}$  axis. This gives three dimensions with the three axis, instead of two, six angles instead of four.

The  $V_{tx}$  axis is always due west at the birth, usually from the 5th to the 8th house. It is significant of fateful or Karmic events that play an important part in the persons life, as the  $V_{tx}$  is always found in the western side of the chart, it involves other people in some way. It may be personal relationships with others or conditions brought about by others.

The  $V_{tx}$  has to do with unrelated people who are significant in one's life, and events with it are more likely to come to pass despite efforts to avoid them. The events pertain to the  $M_c$  and Asc. The  $V_{tx}$  has to do with people who are both related and unrelated to the individual, and is extroverted or outer directed, where as the natal chart is introverted or inner directed. Progressions and converses to the  $V_{tx}$  are very fascinating as are eclipses. Always progress the  $V_{tx}$  as the co-latitude. It is also a very helpful aid in rectification. Use the  $V_{tx}$  to check critical events in life.

We can think of the Anti- $V_{tx}$  as the cause and the  $V_{tx}$  as the effect. Indications point that the  $V_{tx}$  may combine the same meanings as the 7th and 10th houses (career, goals, esteem and relationships). The Anti- $V_{tx}$  seems to be related to matters concerning the 1st and 4th houses (self, home and heredity). The Anti- $V_{tx}$  is usually found from the 11th to 2nd house and is more personal in nature. These areas can be triggered by aspects ( $\sigma$ ,  $\square$  and  $\rho$ ) and by progressions and transits. Also may be triggered by someone else's planetary energy. Progressed  $V_{tx}$ /Anti- $V_{tx}$  axis brings important, and may be critical, times in the persons life. The actions you initiated with the Anti- $V_{tx}$  will be the effect you reap from the  $V_{tx}$ . House position indicates the area of life involved, signs show the way or manner the energy is used or misused. Aspects show the way this energy is expressed.

In Germany the  $V_{tx}$ /Anti- $V_{tx}$  were known as the Eos and Hespera points. The Asc may be the face you show to the world but the  $V_{tx}$  shows how the world interprets the face. The  $V_{tx}$  points to the path of growth, the key to self-awareness. Can be called the path to illumination.

The declination of the  $V_{tx}$ -Anti- $V_{tx}$  point is also important, as well as planets parallel or contra-parallel the  $V_{tx}$  position. To find the declination of the  $V_{tx}$ . Use the calculated position of the  $V_{tx}$  by sign and degree from the chart. Find the declination of the  $\odot$  for that sign and degree. That is the declination for the  $V_{tx}$ /Anti- $V_{tx}$  point.

Here is the way I learned the  $V_{tx}$  from Charles Jayne---

Step 1 - How to find the co-latitude. This is done by subtracting the natal latitude from  $90^\circ$  which gives the co-latitude. If for example the natal latitude is  $40^\circ$  subtract it from  $90^\circ$  (right angle). The figure obtained is  $50^\circ$ . If you are working with exact latitudes in terms of minutes the process is the same. Latitude corrections are found in the front of Dalton's or Koch's Table of Houses. I also include these in this article. Chicago's corrected latitude for example is  $40^\circ N 03'$  minus  $11'$  for correction (I don't use the seconds)  $= 39^\circ N 52'$   
 $90^\circ$  (right angle) or  $89^\circ N 60'$   
minus corrected latitude  $- 39^\circ N 52'$   
gives corrected co-  $50^\circ N 08'$   
latitude

Step 2: How to find the  $V_{tx}$ . Take the degree on the Nadir (I.C.) in the chart (the 4th cusp) use it as the  $M_c$  (10th house cusp), and the co-latitude as if it were the latitude, find the Asc in the Table of Houses, this Asc is the  $V_{tx}$ .

For instance--Chicago's co-latitude is  $50^\circ N 08'$ ---Let's say the chart has  $5^\circ X 40'$  on the I.C. Look up  $5^\circ X 40'$  on the  $M_c$  under the co-latitude here taken from Placidus Table of House (not interpolated for the Latitude) gives the  $V_{tx}$   $7^\circ \otimes 09'$ . One can also make up a  $V_{tx}$  chart -- use the house cusps to make the wheel, place the natal planets in the chart. Put Asc and DESC line across the  $V_{tx}$  chart. The  $V_{tx}$  angle is also an important example of taking into account all three dimensions of space. The Prime Vertical is perpendicular to both Horizon and Meridian and they are perpendicular to each other. These three local planes define the three dimensions of space. The Asc (Horizon), the  $M_c$  (Meridian) only involve 2 dimensions. According to Charles Jayne to be complete, Astrology must be three dimensional. One can find the  $V_{tx}$  from any Table of Houses that goes to  $60^\circ$  of terrestrial latitude. provided one is born at least  $30^\circ$  from the equator. Bodies that are  $\sigma$  or  $\rho$  to any of the three

angles are accidentally dignified, they have more potency. The same thing is true of bodies on the cardinal points.

Where aspects are concerned a narrow orb should be used of 3° or less.

When calculating the  $V_{\lambda}$  in extreme latitudes and the co-latitude is negative, add 180° to the result and proceed as above. Apparently, those born within 22° of the equator do not have a  $V_{\lambda}$ . There is also a Table of Houses that may be used: Aszendenten fur Nord Polare Breiten by Gustave Schwikert. (75N/S lat).

The  $V_{\lambda}$  is always on the setting side of the chart and due West.

Use: Blue-Violet for the  $Mc$  line

Green for the  $V_{\lambda}$  line

Red for the  $Asc$  line

These are the primary colors in light (in pigment they are blue, yellow and red). The three local planes, refract, all into three dimensions like a prism.

Rising and setting planets are separated on the chart by the blue line. Above the horizon planets are separated from below the horizon, by the red line. The green line,  $V_{\lambda}$  and Anti- $V_{\lambda}$  line, separate the southern bodies from the northern ones.

If both ☉ and ☽ are rising, the native can make his or her choices, and is more or less free of others. If there are many planets setting, then the native is making more new Karma than working out the old Karma. If both ☉ and ☽ are setting, then the native is at the disposal of others in the working out of past Karma, and what is done by his own efforts is always subject to others.

Both lights above the horizon (on the day side) brings the public, and public affairs to the fore.

☉ and ☽ in the 6 signs after the  $V_{\lambda}$  in the direction of the equator brings collective and social interests.

☉ and ☽ in the 6 signs preceding the  $V_{\lambda}$  (direction of the pole) in the northern or southern hemisphere, values and aims are sought.

The horoscope is divided into 6 parts.

There are two possible relations of the  $Asc$  and  $V_{\lambda}$  and so two diagrams 1-2-3-4 are the most vital ones. The  $V_{\lambda}$  is the most fated of the three angles. ☉ on the  $Asc$  gives a personal approach to life has something to say about situations. ☉  $\sigma$   $V_{\lambda}$  is "a key man," in a group or collective situation and very much subjected to fated conditions.  $Asc$  refers to one's bent or personal inclinations.  $Mc$  to one's status.  $V_{\lambda}$  refers to one's "role or part" one plays, not a matter of personal choice but is fated

or destined by one's part in various social and collective situations. One cannot really change the things signified by that which is involved with the  $V_{\lambda}$ . It is one's lot in life, determined by one's past.

The  $V_{\lambda}$  of the birth chart determines the ☽ of the conception chart, by  $\sigma$  or  $\delta$ , in the case of 7 month children. The  $V_{\lambda}$  is even more important in mundane astrology.

$V_{\lambda}$ . Addition to the  $V_{\lambda}$ :

The planets signify people and events, they lend more power to the  $V_{\lambda}$ . Planets close to the  $V_{\lambda}$  at birth, or by progression or solar arc progression will influence the  $V_{\lambda}$ . With transiting planets only the slow moving planets have an effect. the  $\sigma$ ,  $\angle$ ,  $\square$ ,  $\oplus$ ,  $\pi$ ,  $\delta$ , parallel and contraparallel, and midpoints of planets are used. Also the  $\Upsilon$ - $\Omega$  axis, they are the Nodes of the earth, they are the equinox points; as well as the  $\odot$ - $\oslash$ , or solstice points give added insights.

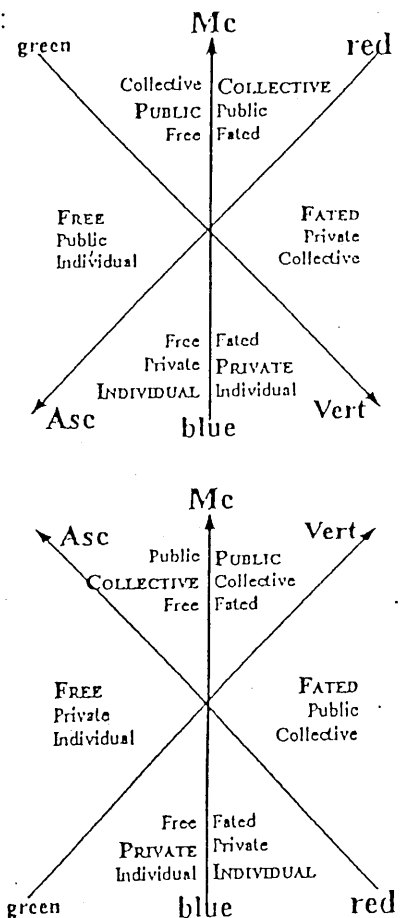
Aspects of the planets with the  $V_{\lambda}$ :

☉ - They are the risk takers, want to be in the spotlight. Can be politicians, actors, entertainers, or key-people. A strong ego.

☽ - Has strong influence on the family. Strong emotions, affect interaction with others. Attracts people who want to be mothered. Can be tradesmen, shopkeepers, homemaker, or home builder.

☿ - Has to do with the reasoning mind, communications, mental ability. Influences young people, brethren, can attract verbose people. New thought and short travel can improve conditions, as well as education. Rules merchants, editors, distributors, clerks, writers, etc...

♀ - Attracts a materialistic partner. Love and happiness are necessary for successful



relationships. Marriage can bring financial improvement. Occupations such as florists, decorators, cosmeticians, beautician etc. can be beneficial, also social activities.

♂ - Has to do with male relations. Attracts aggressive or assertive people, soldiers, police officers, firemen etc. Needs control, forceful actions can lead to violence or accidents, to oneself or others. Can experience hatred or heroism. Sacrifice and self-mastery.

♂ - Can bring overall improvement in to the life in work and in health. Influences promoters, judges, ministers, athletes, college people. Can be self-indulgent. Wants an idealistic or perfect partner. Stimulates aspiration, tolerance and understanding.

♂ - Signifies hard work in order to reach the goal. Politics can be important. ♂ is known for delays, depression, also stick-to-itiveness and endurance. Rules real estate, Realtors, bricklayers, farmers, miners, aged people etc. Brings loneliness due to outside forces. Should look within for guidance. ♂ helps us to bear our karma, and pass the tests of life.

♂ - Friends become lovers. It is the reformer, the scientists, inventor, psychologist, travel agents, pilots. May have to do with electronics, radioactive substances, etc. May cause irritability, nervousness and tension, also divorce and many changes. Miscarriage...Must use inner perception to respond to higher vibration.

♂ - Is the make-believe planet. Rules actors, artists, musicians, clergy, detectives, photographers, seamen, fisherman, garbage collectors, etc. Dangers are drugs, alcohol, chemicals, deception, illusion, fraud and theft, also gambling. May want to escape reality. Has to do with voyages, interest in religion or the occult, and poetry. Shows creative ability, intuition and contact with the higher invisible realms.

♂ - Is the transformer, the dictator. Deals mainly with groups. Gives intensification, clairvoyance, extra sensory perception. Is forceful, bold and magnetic, can be weird. May have to do with convicts, coroners, executioners, gangsters, morticians, the underworld, ambush, rapes. Has to do with Karma. The astral body may consciously be developed to spiritual fulfillment. Regeneration. Success in or through group activities.

♂ & ♂ - Are karmic in nature, needs cooperation with others. A death and, or a birth in the family. Breaking or making of ties. Also consider the Anti-♂ as the polarity. The Anti-♂ can be the cause, the ♂ can be the effect. Our actions can set up a chain reaction. House positions of the

♂ indicate life's involvement. Signs show the type of energy used or misused. Aspects show the difficulty in using the energy for good or bad.

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(Virginia also sent 10 1/4 pages of fixed stars for the signs with a small note of what they represent in a chart. If anyone would like a copy please send a large size self-addressed stamped envelope (2 33 cent stamps) and I will mail it to you. The listing of the stars is for the year 2000. Edith)

RAE FLEETHAM  
PLEASANT HILLS, CA  
APRIL, 1999

I guess I've missed the deadline, but that's okay, I don't have any earthshaking news to impart. I myself am rather shaken to realize that our channel to the stars is in danger of being lost. Edith, you simply must raise the rates, that's all! Anything worth having is worth paying for, and *Mercury Hour* is certainly worth having. For many of us who are not computerized, it's our only astrological clubhouse, and we don't want to lose it. And to emphasize that point, I'm enclosing a check to take up some of the slack. I think I'm due to renew this year some time, but I've lost track. Maybe you could drop me a card and let me know my status?

Has anyone come forward yet with the birth data for those two Colorado wonderkinden who are all the news there this week? What a world it has become, when even the school kids aren't safe from each other!

Have a safe and happy 11th of July

☉ ☿ ♀ Asc 13°

I may be repeating something someone else has said; but I have some techniques to share.

If a planet has been eclipsed look to the placement of that planet in the S/R charts.

**JIM HAYNES** Thank you much for spending so much time and effort on my problem; however, I do not think that a  $\sigma/\Psi$   $\sigma$  indicates rape as you predicted. Having been born with this configuration, I will admit to wondering whether or not priests have hair on their chest when the aspect is triggered. Your writing style reminds me of a lawyer I used to work with whose nickname was "Junior". He was delightful to work with and has been a standup comic. He was also quite good looking and quite married. If you are serious about earthquake prediction, you need to get a book called Earthquake Predictions, by Ann E. Parker, published by Aries Press. Ann goes back to earthquakes from 1812 forward and uses Geodetic angles. The book is excellent for serious students.



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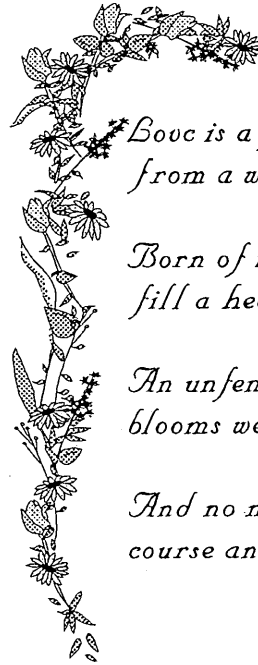
**Donna Sneed**  
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**April, 1999**

Every year people in nursing homes get back a certain percentage of what they have paid the home for the year. I don't know how they figure it. The most I ever got was \$200. This year I don't know why, I got quite a bit more.

I think if someone has \$50,000 of their own, they don't get anything. Not many of us do. Anyway when I got so much this year I checked my chart for February, Jupiter was conjunct natal Uranus which is 23° Pisces in the 1st house. It is also trine Saturn at 25° Scorpio. I also got 6 dresses styled especially for people that have to sit in wheelchairs. They are cut out in back and snap at the neck so they don't have to go over your head. They come down well over your knees so you don't have to worry about a laprobe which is a blessing for me as I have one hand to move my wheelchair with and nothing to hold a laprobe with. It slips down and catches inside the wheels of my chair.

You don't have any idea how much you miss having two hands till all of a sudden you have only one.

They say April is Poetry Month. So for what its worth here's one of mine.



*Booc is a flower Growing wild Sprung  
from a wind tossed seed.*

*Born of the sun a special smile to  
fill a hearts sore need.*

*An unfenced blossom growing wild it  
blossoms were'er it will*

*And no man changes its charted  
course and none the power can kill.*



## JOHN FROM BEGINNING TO END

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LOOKING FOR ANSWERS IN THE STARS

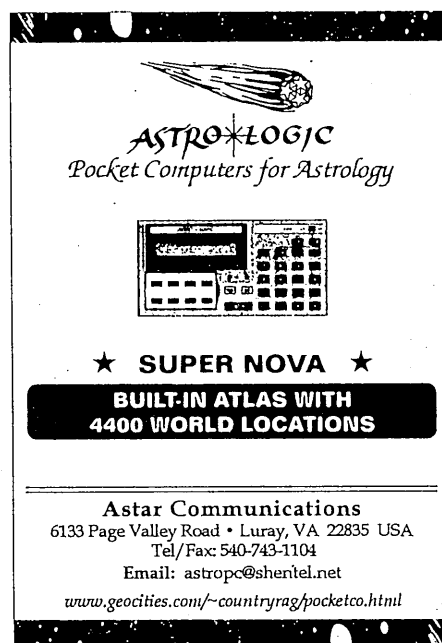
They say bombs dropped on Kosovo at 7:56 PM their time on March 24th in the last year of this century. If we accept both Clinton and Milosevic are Leos, we have two strong egos with different views who may help create War III. What is NATO? Why? What happened to our Congress, when this insanity started?

If we can know that Pluto began the movement on the part of many governments around the globe when it entered Sagittarius and tore our minds away from sexual matters, where many of us are more at home, to the massive movement between borders while Pluto's desire to eliminate the old, get on with the new, we find a disruptive planetary arrangement is supplying all the necessary tools for a War III. It is a futuristic War, like none of our ancestors ever knew or wanted to know. Like watching the gods at the chess board of life, we see that Pluto's treasures are within the war zone. They say silver, oil, rich minerals and mines would have kept this part of the world free from accepting Euro Dollar control over their economy. It is not a fool that drops bombs upon the riches of another country. As a team, Pluto, Uranus and now Neptune within the fire and air signs of Sagittarius and Aquarius promises to create rebellion, reform, and change.

The babies born while these planets are in control, are sought after and scattered away from their own parents who have been inundated with drugs for at least a decade while Pluto in Scorpio was in charge. It seems as if governments can see the handwriting on the wall for a future generation sitting at computers, changing the world that governments had control of in the 1900's. These are a future force to be reckoned with and the government's desire is to weaken them right from birth to the classroom so that government can survive when Pluto takes its next step into Capricorn.

As parents and grandparents we find many home schooling in face of the unknown future for their young. They too are intuitive without the actual knowledge of the stars. As I see it, Pluto in Sagittarius could have been used for good, with open borders and freedom of all to travel and learn. Instead we paste people in place and allow their minds to travel via internet. As I see it, Uranus in Aquarius could have been used for good, with

open minds for the future and willingness to explore inventions. Surely Neptune in Aquarius could have made this a more beautiful spiritual awareness era. We are in small ways exploring the divine world and any Astrologer need not take a back seat if they use their art for consulting with people who struggle to find answers without the tools we have at our disposal. We can create a new world by telling our Congress "Not one more cent! Not one more penny for War." "Not one more cent! Not one more penny for NATO." Meanwhile, while they drop bombs like pennies from heaven..in the name of reform, perhaps we can find solace in examining the reasons via the study of planetary movements. (Thanks for the e-mail)



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ADELE HUNTER  
UPLAND, PA  
MARCH, 1999  
♂ ♀ Asc III, Mc ♀

Here is my 1999 dues. I don't do anything with astrology anymore, but I enjoy reading the *Mercury Hour*. I have osteoporosis also plus I'm on oxygen 24 hours a day due to heart failure. I really don't do much of anything except counted cross stitch.

(Our sympathies are with you and we are very glad we can bring some enjoyment to you. Edie)

**LELA CHAVELLIER POWELL  
TULSA, OK  
MARCH, 1999**

☾ ☿ ☽

**JOSEPH SILVEIRA de MELLO (95/60)** I should have had a copy of your NOTICE during the past few months as ♄ transited and made its direct station at 29♌--the degree of my radix 1st house ♄. Fortunately for me, there is no transmission of energy between these two in my chart, so no action, no events except that I realized my 13-year-old Lhasa was now totally blind, but it was hard to focus my thoughts and impossible to accurately convey my intended meaning. (98/7) At this point in my study of the effect of eclipses, I am inclined to think the changes that come about when an eclipse activates a planet or angle of the chart will become apparent shortly before or within a few days after and I have not worked on any charts in which an activity suggested by one eclipse manifested after the next eclipse. But, decisions can be made, a process set in motion, or steps taken at the time of an eclipse which create activity that continues well beyond the next eclipse. The eclipse of October '96 at 19♌ ♂ my chart ruler ♄ ♀ in 9th ♂ husband's ♀ 17♎ in 8th ruling 3rd and 10th. Within a day or two, he mentioned his desire to visit friends and relatives but I didn't express myself regarding his suggestion at the time because I was quite busy and my thoughts were elsewhere, or perhaps because my eclipsed planet is ♄ (or simply because it is ♄). There was a New Moon at 19♌ in early January '97 that ☐'ed both eclipsed planets while transiting ♄ was ☐ my Asc, transiting ♄ was entering Bob's 5th Δ his Asc. This was the time it became apparent he was set on cutting loose for a while and we began to make the necessary arrangements to carry out the wish he expressed at the solar eclipse. Several extended trips were made throughout the year.

**JOAN DEPCZYNSKI (97/25)** If you had not given a biographical sketch of Howard Zinn in 99/36, I would have suggested Zinn is a pseudo name for director Oliver Stone or vice versa. Unfortunately, we all have ♄-the-exploiter/exploited somewhere in our charts. do you have a birth date or data on this person? It would be interesting to check his horoscope against our national chart.

**DEFIANCE GREGG (97/44)** My ☿ ♀ is in the 7th, ♂ by ♄, widely ☐ by separating ♂, and Δ ♄. Violence has never been a part of my relationships. I have experienced death of fiancée

in wartime, compulsive behavior through 1st husband's alcoholism, and my male gene donor removed himself from my mother's life before I was born (he came to a violent end in Mexico). I walked out of my 1st marriage, thereby abandoning spouse and our relationship. My commitments have been with men who knew the violence and death of war but have not themselves exhibited violent behavior. Recently I read scientists have now concluded ♀ is not a planet, perhaps a comet that has entered our system. About the time we astrologers think we have an understanding of the influence of this distant body he may depart our system and consequently disappear from our charts. I like **OLIVIA BARCLAY's** ♀ interpretations--bringer to light and ejection. I would suggest that the affairs of the house ♀ holds in the chart may be subject to mistakes in judgment and to revision.

**DEFIANCE GREGG (97/46), PHYLLIS HALLACK (98/5)** Re: ♄ and computers: ♄ rules the equipment we work with, ♄ rules electronics and the accelerated transfer of ♄-ruled information, as well as the science and technology of cybernetics; and, as ♄ rules cameras and film, photography and artificial images, then I suggest ♄ rules the photographic images that are projected by way of the electronic hand operated devices.

**LORRAINE T. WELSH (98/48)** I did not recognize the birthplace you gave for Joanna Shannon, which was given as "Weleeka", but the coordinates 35N20 96W08 places it at Weleetka, a short distance due south of Tulsa. It was an Indian Territory trading settlement on the banks of the North Canadian River and is now a rural area where many people of Creek, Choctaw and Seminole descent live.

**TROY HOLTER (99/10)** Teaching astrology was the ultimate learning experience for me and a great confidence builder. I hope that will be your experience, too.

**BYRON WAHL (99/11)** By now you know the significance of the solar flare of 12 December 1998 in the charts of POTUS and "the creator of the internet". To make a 180° turn: Joe DiMaggio also received a burst of publicity on that day and a surge of vitality, rallying enough to tell his doctors to stop talking to the media.

**EDITH, ET AL:** I find the 3:44 A.M. chart for Clinton tantalizing--particularly the 1st house ♀ since he refers to himself as the "comeback kid." I also like the exalted ☽ elevated in the 10th, leading all the planets in a strictly eastern chart, portraying all those doting females who standby him in spite of his lack of good character and his

reckless, puerilistic behavior and all those badly-used women (♂ on the 12th) whose complicity or ambitions, reluctance or shame has made his rise in life and career possible, especially since ♃ is ♂ ♀ solstice point and the Part of Rape (♂+♀-♀) is in the 1st on ♄/♀ and received the transit of ♂ in late April, 1978. Biting is ♂-ruled behavior. The Placidus 5th cusp is ♍--oral sex is not sex, it's only fun and games! But, it doesn't matter which birth time is preferred since the times I have (3:44 A.M., 5:37 A.M., 8:51 A.M.) all tell pretty much the same story by planetary progression and transit: a grand cross in fixed signs shaping up between natal, progressed and transiting planets. Only the 3:44 A.M. chart puts that cosmic cross entirely in angular houses. Several times during the Senate impeachment hearing I found myself wondering about the possible significance of the ♃ in Clinton's 2nd Inauguration chart being on the degree of Richard Nixon's 10th house ♀, 28II.

Now, I am caught up on back issues of *MH*. The 100th edition has arrived and is waiting to be read just as soon as I finish reading the wait-to-tell-the-truth-until-profit-is-maximized book of George Stephanopoulos. My New Year's resolutions are to remember my priorities, to keep on keeping on, and to respond to *MH* comments when I read them so I won't have to work my way through a logjam again.

Cheers!

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Defiance Gregg  
Seaside, OR  
April, 1999

♌ ♃ Asc II

A 53-year-old error over the term of "blue moon" has everyone red in the face. Sky and Telescope magazine admitted it made an error in an article which said "the blue moon referred to the second full moon within the same month. James Hugh Pruett, an amateur astronomer wrote a piece in 1946 for Sky and Telescope magazine. Pruett wrote the piece after apparently misinterpreting a complex 1937 article in Maine Farmer's almanac which said that when a SEASON contains four full moons, the third is called a blue moon. His interpretation went unnoticed for a couple decades which began a series of articles with the wrong data.

1980 National Public Radio used the wrong definition Tria Pursuit repeated the wrong definition. The sky and Telescope in Cambridge discovered the error when it was working on an article about how January and March of this year featured what would have been two blue moons.

The next true blue moon will be on Feb. 19, 2000. Pruett died in 1955 without discovery of his mistake. Now it is thought that the meaning is so entrenched it will be like trying to put a genie back in the bottle. Since it caught on in 1946, a lot of people like the idea of keeping the second full moon within a month as a "Blue Moon".

Blue Moons are only found in the month of February, May, August and November because these months are at the end of each season. Hope you liked my copy of the article compliments of the "Daily Astorian" on April 1, 1999 (April Fool's Day". It came off the Boston AP wire.

The Astoria Newspaper gave a front page account of the error concerning the Blue Moon by an astronomer who read it in an old almanac. He interpreted as if two full moons occur in the same month the second one is a blue moon. Whereas in truth the next true blue moon will be in 2000.

Has anyone read that article since it was from AP area. Did your newspapers carry it as well? I will have the article at home but I am in class now and I wanted to know if all of you realized that the blue moon we saw on Wed. wasn't a blue moon at all. Or was it? (Thanks for the e-mail)

Virginia Reyer  
Glendale, AZ  
March, 1999  
☉ II ☽ Asc II

**Ann Lathrop** Sorry that I was not more explicit with the rules of the "Karmic" chart. The midpoint between Sun and Moon are used - for this, to make it easier

Aries is 0 Cancer is 90 Libra is 180 Capricorn is 270 Taurus is 30 Leo is 120 Scorpio is 210 Aquarius is 300 Gemini is 60 Virgo is 150 Sagittarius is 240 Pisces is 330 degrees.

Example: The Sun at 4.43 of Sagittarius = 240 plus 4.43 = 244.43 degrees. The Moon at 26.16 of Sagittarius = 240 plus 26.16 = 266.16 degrees. Add the two = 510.59 : by 2 = 255.29

The closest sign above to 255.29 = minus 240 degrees = 15.29 of Sagittarius, karmic ASC.. In this example the ASC. is 15.29 degrees of Sag. so that the Sun falls above the horizon.

If the native is a woman the Moon would be below, so the sign will have to be reversed to 15.29.. degrees of Gemini, so that the Moon falls above the horizon for a woman, for the karmic ASC.

If we reverse Sun and Moon here to; Sun at 26.16 degrees of Sag and the Moon to 4.43 of Sag. the karmic ASC. is the same except that the Moon would be above the karmic ASC. and the Sun.. would be below the horizon. For a woman now the Moon is above the Horizon, and for a male the Sun would be below, so that here the karmic ASC. has to be reversed to 15.29 degrees of Gemini. for the karmic ASC, to apply to the rules.

Everyone has a karmic ASC, this to **Joseph Silveira deMello**. Hope that this helps.

To **Joan Depczynski** oh yes I'm well aware of declinations as I was a student of the late Charles Jayne. In my reports I try to only use the most obvious aspects, to limit space. I am including a "horseshoe" blank, maybe Edith can include it in the magazine for copies I also include a Blank for declination which I use with all my charts.

If you have WinStar, look under ephemeris and you can make a 100-year ephemeris in declination from the day of birth in 2 day intervals, it gives you the decl. of all the planets, which then can be drawn on the graph. One can see esp. the Moon swings (or Mood swings) from north to south etc. at 14-year intervals, one can see at a glance when retrograde planets may go out of bounds and when and for how long (I have done charts on

drowning victims who had the Moon out of bounds) My natal Mercury was out of bounds for the 1st 11-years, and my Venus for the first 6-years of my life. Also the graph shows planets from 0-14 North decl. show talents. From 14° on up show power, from 0 decl. south shows Karma to be resolved. I don't know of any place where these graphs can be purchased. Hopefully Edith can include them somehow. I want to include a 25-year condensed portion of a decl. chart so that you may see what I am talking about.

What one has to look for, is where the lines intersect on the Graph or where a planet moves half-way in between two planets by progression, this constitutes a planetary picture (one can eye-ball the Graph, all it takes is to get used to it a bit) The meanings can be looked up in the book by Ebertin, called the Combination of Stellar Influences through AFA. There is another book by Witte-Lefeld, called the rules for planetary pictures.

Also look for eclipses, for instance we have an eclipse coming up on Aug. 11th. at 18.21 degrees of Leo, which can be pinpointed on the Graph- one will also see that on the 45 degree chart, that 16 degrees of Leo, in the fixed column equals also 3 and 4 degrees of the cardinals, which the eclipse will pull in as well.

To **Janice Giles**; Lilith stands for the dark, or lesser Moon. Lilith plays havoc, she can cause one to settle for 2nd best. Lilith's position is where we are tempted to take the easy way out.. The solstice point can show a turning point for the better, it gives us a new chance to remedy conditions. However well Lilith is aspected, expect less there, expect denials and temptations With trine aspects it allows you to learn by your mistakes the 1st time, and you may get a second chance.. You have Lilith in Gemini where it is exalted, Gemini is a barren sign. I have Lilith in the 7th house in Sag. the sign of it's fall. There is a need for truth and understanding in Sag. I am a widow since 1961, I never remarried after my husband died....If I had I would have been a widow again, as the ruler of my 7th house is in my 8th house.

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One may also use " Wynn's 14 theory" subtract the number of your natal house from 14- to see where Lilith's. effects will manifest. See here and there in Astrology by Ivy M. Jacobson. In deVorss Encyclopedia of Astrology, Lilith is referred to as "asteroid #1181", or a minor planet.

There are many assumptions such as, that Lilith was Adams first wife before banishment from paradise. There are a number of other "dark Moon's" called the evil sisters. Some of their names in alphabetical order are - Bettis, Edith, Freda, Greda, Laura, Lystra, Martha, Sardonyx and more not named as yet. What they are - they are large "dustbowl or dustballs", very difficult to see.

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This is an event, or diurnal chart for Charles Keating. This is an addition to the "Fixed Stars", in which I used Keating's chart as an example. Keating's natal chart is rectified. The diurnal can be a help in rectification. Keating's locality chart for Phoenix, AZ. has the ASC. at 1.43 of Scorpio conjunct the natal 12th house. I believe that Keating was arrested in Phoenix, AZ.

Keating's locality for Los-Angeles, Ca. has the ASC at 26.25 of Libra conjunct natal Saturn and Moon and square relocated MC at 29.20 of Cancer. Keating was tried and convicted there. In his progressed chart the ASC. moves along with transit Neptune. Natal ASC. is conjunct progressed MC.

Keating was re-arrested on March 28th. 1998 for passport violation. Keating had business deals overseas, he was to be consultant for a Restaurant- Hotel business overseas. A retrial was ordered on Jan. 11th 1999. when he had to appear before a judge. He had been released from prison before, after serving 4 1/2 years of his 12 year sentence in State and Federal prisons.

No date has been set for a retrial Keating will be retried in Los Angeles, Ca. on charges that he looted Lincoln Savings of 3.4 billions Natal Uranus/Pluto at 2.02 of Sag. conjunct the fixed Star Graffias, also conjunct natal Jupiter. Uranus-Pluto = Jupiter is subversive activities...

On Nov. 18th. 1998 Keating was speaker at an International Tax and Asset Preservation Academy Seminar, about investing overseas and shielding assets from Taxation. The Academy lists a Scottsdale AZ. home address..

In the relocated chart for LA transit Saturn conjunct the 7th house. Transit Neptune conjunct the 4th. house. 24.53 of Taurus is on the 8th.

house conjunct the fixed Star Algol, shows legal problems with other peoples money.

His Karmic ASC. is at 26.01 of Taurus also conjunct Algol shows undesirable business associates , tragedies. He is ruthless. The solar eclipse of Feb. 16th at 27.08 of Aquarius is conjunct his progressed Sun. Keating's daughter, Maureen Mulhern, born Jan. 12th. 1960 (no time) in Cincinnati, Ohio. died on Feb. 15th. 1999 in Phoenix . AZ. at age 39. She had 6 children, ages 1 to 10.

Maureen had a heart attack after dieting and then contacting the flu on Jan. 12th 1999. She became severely dehydrated. After the heart attack Maureen was in a coma and on life-support till her death on Feb. 15. 1999.

Maureen's natal Pluto conjuncts Charles Keating's Nodes. Maureen's progressions for 1999. The solar eclipse of Feb. 16th at 27.08 of Aquarius at her death. Natal Mars Venus at 28 and 29 of Capricorn conjunct transit Neptune. Jupiter/ Neptune = Sun shows wrong diagnosis and hemolysis. (See Reinholds stellar influences.) Keating's diurnal for Maureen's death has 28.11 of Cap. rising. Nodes of the diurnal at 22 degrees of Aquarius square natal ASC. at 22 degrees of Scorpio. Saturn at 28.47 of Aries square ASC.. Transit Saturn is opposition to natal Saturn at 28.33 of Libra.

Keating's diurnal for arrest on Sep. 18. 1990.. 22.01 of Virgo is rising and 20.54 of Gemini on the MC. Both signs are ruled by Mercury. The IC at 20.54 of Sag. is square the ASC.. Mercury is at 9.40 of Virgo in the 12th house squares Hades at 10.20 of Gemini which is in opposition to natal Sun. The signs Virgo and Gemini on the angles give variety, adaptability and flexibility in career matters, and much changeability Mercury in the 12th. is not telling the truth and is withholding evidence....

Diurnal Mars and Hades are conjunct, shows criminal acts and work is conducted "underground". The personality is crude and secretive. It brings disgrace.

Diurnal Neptune is opposite natal Pluto shows falsehood and fraud..

Diurnal Vertex is conjunct natal South Node square Mars in the diurnal 9th house. The Vertex is in the 6th. house in the sign of Pisces., All are Karmic indicators.

The Sun. is conjunct Zeus, shows uniformed men and arrest. Diurnal Sun is 25.17 of Virgo, the Sun rules the 12th house at 7.25 of Leo, conjunct the fixed Stars of Praesaepe and the North Ascelli show disgrace and brutality. Very



I used Cincinnati, Ohio in the Diurnal charts. Some Astrologers feel that event chart (Diurnals) should be relocated first. I tried it and I have to disagree. I use the date of the event, and natal birth-time and place of birth. (Thanks for the e-mail.)

Thank you, **UNA CHIODINI (100/27)** for the Computer Check information. I plan to run the test when my computer whiz friend is on hand 😊.

My best wishes to **DAVID MEADOWS** (100/34) with the book he is writing. I do hope it is a labor of love; that is the way to go!

If you can read this, please flip me back over ..(seen upside down on a jeep.)

**KRISTIN P. MORRILL  
MENDON, MA  
MARCH, 1999**

I am a new subscriber to this mag. The format is pretty unique, kind of like a chat room in writing!

I am reading the 100th Edition! Wow, a milestone has been reached.

Sun in Cancer, Moon in Capricorn, Ascendant in Taurus. Born in Clinton, MA on July 9, 1949 at 1:10 AM. Relocated now to Mendon, MA.

My astrological background goes back 7 years or more, and I still consider myself a novice. I am always learning something new and look forward to continuing to do so for a long time. Recently I began to peruse the karmic nature of the Moon's nodes and placement in the birth and synergy chart. I also have read about the karmic nature of very strong aspects between two people's synergy chart comparison. I am intrigued by it all, and looking for more.

I was wondering if any readers had some input on the issue of karma and natal charts and synergy charts?

In my personal experience, I have seen that when two people have their moon in opposing houses but with a strong conjunction between them, there may be a past life tie. The nature of this tie can be determined by any other aspects, like Mars square their Pluto. Does this make sense to any of you?

Also, I am fascinated by the images of the Sabian symbols. Any thoughts on these by astute readers?

I am wondering if it is worthwhile to purchase any chart interpretation software. I have Solar Fire 4 for doing the chart wheels, but am dissatisfied by the meager interps. I have many books, but would like a computer program that is set up to write reports, that I can edit or add to myself. I have seen "The Sky Report" by Matrix, and Forrest. What do you readers think?

Well, that's all for now, gotta go back to work. If I still have a job, that is. Something is happening to everything in my life right now, but I have not had the time to analyze my transits. (Thanks for the e-mail. Edie)

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HOUSTON, TX  
MARCH, 1999**

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**EDITH CUSTER (100/1)** I trust you got my letter and check. In Unity, I was taught to give my tithe to whatever organization was providing my spiritual fix. So when I got my first check this last Friday from Ena Stanley/ONLINE COLLEGE OF ASTROLOGY - and got the *Mercury Hour* Saturday morning - it made perfect sense. I know it isn't much - but it goes out with a lot of love and appreciation.

Without *MH* or *MH* pen pals **RAE FLEETHAM** and **ED DEARBORN**, I really haven't had anyone to talk with. In the 9 years I've been a member of NCGR-GC Chapter, I've only had about 2 people there to talk with, and they both dropped out recently. By the grace of - I now get lots of astrological chatter time.

Now that I've got that heading all situated, it seems you aren't publishing signs anymore. **(We still put the signs on if they are available. We don't have them for everybody)** I'm typing this up on a HD disk to have printed at Kinko's. I don't have e-mail. I turned down my brother's kind offer to install it, because my 13-year-old hyperthyroidic cat and a printer had priority. Now my great financial dilemma for cat medication/vet is solved. I am working part-time secretarial for ONLINE COLLEGE OF ASTROLOGY (e-mail:) So, the printer is just a whisker away.

**MARGUERITE dar BOGGIA (99/9)** I love how you go into interpretive detail and compare different planet speeds on the Art Bell chart, but it was hard to follow in written form. I was deep into listing the various details

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and emotionalizing over it when I turned the page and EUREKA! there was a chart! -- I see now, *Edith* generated a chart showing the Helio and Geocentric positions -- which adds another comparative element, but it doesn't actually help me to understand your descriptions. So I will have to continue the graphing. It's a great learning tool., but complicates my understanding, as I have to list the different elements BEFORE I can make the chart that will help me understand your details. And thus, the saying: "A picture is worth a

thousand words". Am I just profoundly dense - or what?

I wish I had known about the Art Bell program when it was airing. Radio I can access; not cable. Occasionally I wake up at unspeakable hours to eat oatmeal/milk, so I can go back to sleep. **(100/4)** Wonderful! I just discovered your book review on A SCIENTIFIC APPROACH TO THE METAPHYSICS OF ASTROLOGY. That's exactly what I need to 'energize my little gray cells'. The book sounds intriguing.

**ED DEARBORN (100/5)** Well, sure - I think the truly Professional Astrologers should have their own organization. Or SIG, since to promote the expansion of the study - the mentors need to hobnob with the assumed lowbrows, who not necessarily are. Take it from the dairy industry - didn't the cream mixed with the common milk - make a better (i.e., tastier) product?? Then again - a 4-year college degree requirement assumes that only an idiot wouldn't have one. I speak not for the ignorant masses - I speak for students, fledgling researchers and college dropouts (what a horrid label) like myself. (h in 9th H/O in 3rd)

Thanks for the ASTROLABE WORLD EPHEMERIS 2001-2050 info. Now that my interest and income have been renourished, there's a chance. Declinations ready-made would be helpful.

**KT BOEHRER (100/14)** YES! Entitle Ed!

**CONNIE COLLIER (100/24)** Thank you. I used Ebertin's Keyboard in my heading.

**ASTROLOGICAL CONCLUSIONS**

**JUNE KNIGHT GODWIN**

**16 MAY 1987**

I USED TO PAINT  
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EXALTATIONS!

I've been inputting some of my poems from earlier years hoping to publish before the end of the year (It's nice to have deadlines). I write so few astrological poems.

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PEGGY FLOOK  
BRIGHTON, MI  
MARCH 14, 1999

**EDITH:** The enclosed two-year subscription is a statement of faith that you and **MH** will still be with us next year at this time, and after, though you might miss an issue (especially as Tom says the Post office is NOWHERE in preparing for Y2K) and you may make a couple of changes. I still think you might acquire a partner (from **MH's** next two solar returns, geo and helio). Put the extra in publishing if you wish.

The current Internet code for the coming uproar--or downroar--is "TEOTWAWKI" the acronym for "The End of the World As We Know It". Heck, that happened long ago, and often. The first one I remember in this country was Pearl Harbor; but Europe's TEOTWAWKI started earlier than that and was much more horrible of course. Still, let's face it, every time peace breaks out, somebody's world is ending somewhere. And in the States, the world as I knew it has been ending in sneaky little increments so that both the government and the unacceptable to most of us, thirty years ago. When it comes to The World As We Know It. I don't know it.

So it won't be as bad as some people fear. I doubt if we'll have to go out and milk our own cows--though the farms will have to hire help. Without power for the computer, no farmer can milk an 80-cow herd. There will be times when it's almost impossible to travel; but there already are. Have you noticed the number of jammed-up airports with most flights canceled? But due to weather not computers. From Austria comes a report that they have had more snow and more avalanches than in the last 500-years.

The weather, too, is the result of the 500-year cycle of the planets that has all the heavy planets playing mix-and-match in their own or each other's signs. The times are out of joint. But computer problems are the result, not the cause. There are other symptoms: The Plutonian, Neptunian behavior of Congress last year when ♃ was in ♋, followed by threats of a NATO war against Serbia, the minute ♃ moved into ♏, ruled by ♂. That won't last long; ♃ scoots through ♏ double-time this year and will enter ♏ in July. Then

Congress will start dealing with land rights, the budget, the stock market and every other form of property.

Another symptom, local: Even the birds are bollixed up--the robins didn't migrate this winter. I thought migratory patterns were instinctive and fixed: but we had an extra late autumn that stayed on until mid December, and two weeks before Christmas there was a robin hunched on my fence in a snowstorm, feathers all puffed out and head pulled down. But he survived. He's spent the last week courting, all sleeked up and singing for a mate. The Audubon Society says this is unusual but not unheard of. Well, I've spent 65 of my 78 winters in this part of the country and I never head of it before. Audubon also says that, in case it happens again next year and you want to help the robins, throw out raisins and spaghetti. Maybe we should make that vermicelli. What planet rules the birds and little critters? ♃ already has the Eagle and--by extension--the raptors and scavengers, and surely all the creatures who hibernate. But I'm not going to give him robins, or those bright little goldfinches or peacocks or even flamingos. Those belong in ♏.

If I sound giddy it's because I've got transit ♃ just passing the exact ♀ to natal ♀ (separating by 1°) and--oh lucky me--it will return early next year to make its station exactly opposite. Want a direct observation report on the effects of the transit? It's like riding a merry-go-round horse without a map, going in circles and not knowing which way to turn. Without warning, it can produce unpleasant side effects and even an overdose from the prescribed amount of a long-familiar medication--I've had to cut my pain pills in half. Double vision. Wipe-out of short-term memory. Inability to make decisions like whether to stand up or stay seated. Extreme loss of energy and a tendency to sleep a lot. Of course I've checked all these oddities with doctors but they can't find anything wrong because they're not looking in the right place...they need an ephemeris.

The flip side is much better. It pushes the envelope, the membrane between the physical, material world and the spiritual world, and sometimes blows it away entirely so there is no separation. That alone is worth it.

Hang in there. It's going to be an interesting year for everybody...but survivable.

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BUMPER STICKER from ROWENA WALL  
IF YOU LIVED IN YOUR CAR, YOU'D BE HOME  
BY NOW.

JOSEPH SILVEIRA deMELLO  
SAN FRANCISCO, CA  
MARCH, 1999

Dear Old One Hundred:

**EDITH**, I see that I have stepped on the sensitive feet of a female writer and the world has sat up and noticed. Said writer noticed no criticism on the same matter from a female correspondent. Well, I have no interest in communicating personally with this injured writer, the pages of *Mercury Hour* being good enough for me. I have in the past enjoyed her astrological writings, but when she gets into history, it is just sufficiently skewed as to be annoying. So I'll try to stick with communicating only on astrology even though I don't really see why I should.

And after I say there are never typos in *MH*, I see my own letter, top page 17, that the word "conversationalist" was originally "conservationist." (I'm real sorry Joe, it was my mistake. Betty) I read *MH* in one fell swoop all the way to **ROBERTA STRAIN (100/58)** on the Elements which I found hilarious. Since I am aging and rusting, but it is all interior and does not show, though hair is thinning on the top of my head, visible only as I walk away. I find I am decomposing not due to lack of WO, just the stupid aging thing. In fact, if men are to be XY, why not be consistent and name the other element XX, the element which came to life double-crossed.

I find I can be very Scorpionic. I was having a quiet drink at my favorite place the other night, not talking to anyone. A lovely XX with two XYs came to sit next to me, and I paid too scant attention. Nothing would do but she must talk to me. I had a long wait for a bus the other day during the course of which I was approached three times by the same person for a handout. I finally told him I wasn't even really there. I have a Cancerian-Leo friend who does not understand that some people remain private even in public places.

Issue **100** is very good. I hang by my nails hoping you will be able to go on with it and wish I could afford a few kopecks to help, being also on fixed income. My rent has gone up again with the usual regularity. I can't afford to move out of town and dare not go where my HMO is not active. And since I have made out like Faust with my HMO, I am reluctant to leave it. Anyway, this issue is filled with interesting letters and ideas and I don't understand why anyone would quit *MH-land*. Of course using e-mail and chat rooms one gets hooked up right away and does not have to wait three months or better for answers. I do believe I

saw some letters from people who are new, I think. I do promise to talk up *MH* and see if I can get them to take it. People do like to communicate, to write and get published on the printed page. Banking on vanity, and hoping they won't be shy.

**SONJA GODDARD FOXE (100/22)** So sorry, Jack Nicholson and Saddam Hussein were not born the same day. Nicholson, bc data, 11:20 A.M. EST 22 April 1937, Neptune, N.J.; Hussein, bc data, 8:44 A.M. BAT 29 April 1937, Tikrit, Iraq. Nicholson is ♌ Asc and Hussein is ♏ Asc, both ♂♂, but Nicholson has ♀♂, while the other guy has ♂♂. Personally I'll take the ♌ Asc. I have an actor friend who in is youth easily made up as Groucho Marx, no birth similarities. **CAMMILLE ADAMS** is my astro-twin. She is ♍ Asc, and I am born later with ♏ Asc. We have many of the same interests, have done and enjoyed many of the same things, and things happen to me about six months before they happen to her. I've made some effort to check that things happen to the later born astro-twin before they happen to the earlier born, and I find that my notion has not yet been contradicted in the charts I have checked, and not objected to by astrologers to whom I have said this. The rationale is that the later born has a later ♀ and gets earlier progressed ♀ aspects. Of course, having said this, I will now find the very next twins I compare this idea will be contradicted. Always happens.

I'm not sure I want to be the expert on W.H. Chaney, and I hope I made plain that much of what I got is seconded by the Kingman biography of Jack London. I have only done what every astrologer might have done, some reading, some research, and looked at the charts of both men. I do not think Jack London's mother was seduced under a hypnotic trance. Like that bit about nothing can happen that is not in the chart, you are not supposed to make anyone in a trance do anything they would not normally do. The fact is that Jack London's mother was seeing two other men at the same time she was hanging about at Chaney's beck and call. She even hand delivered Chaney's horoscopes to his clients and tried to make them her clients. She was definitely in search of a husband.

**ED DEARBORN (100/5)** You've got my interest. I suppose it will take a page by page search of the text of Orwell's British and American editions. I don't have a British edition, so I can't do it, but I would if I had, even though I am busy without a new project.

Another thing I am happy about is to find all the feedback on the 165° aspect and how it has

long been around. Astrologers ought to check when this aspect comes in by progressions or transits as it is a real difficult aspect, even more so as it doubles up like a yod formation. Want more people checking this aspect.

**UNA CHIODINI (100/27)** Hooray, I checked, and it works. But I had a problem putting in the time as my computer kept saying that 11:57p was not valid, but it did take anyway and I wanted to go over to the year 2000 and succedant time. Did it in DOS. And I know I can do charts for the next century as I have done myself some solar returns.

I want to thank all others who commented about things I've written, and those whose letters I have read this time but to which I had nothing more to add. On the personal front, I have had ♀ transit my Descendant. There is usually a change in lifestyle when that happens, but in my case it began to happen well before ♀ got in orb. Now ♀ has gone over my Mc, and I watched when transiting ☉ went over my natal ♀. So far no surprises, but then I have no ☉-♀ natal aspect. My back is feeling somewhat better, but all the pills and extra calcium and vitamins have given me a terminal case of dry mouth and nothing can slake my thirst. Of course ♀ will go Rx and back over my Mc, and that, in the opinion of some, is when I have to watch it. That's in July and August and December. Read an interesting snippet the other day: Hardly a man is there, no matter how aged, that does not think he will live another year. More another time.

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**MARK POTTENGER**  
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**MARCH, 1999**

#### The Case of the Clock Dial

I recently came across a situation that nicely demonstrates the clichés "a little knowledge is a dangerous thing" and "lost in translation". Most astrologers learning astrology these days don't have to know a lot of math, since there are many computer programs available that do all the calculations you need starting with nothing but birth data. All atlases, ephemerides and tables of houses (or equivalents) are built into the programs. The danger of an astrologer with minimal math or astronomy training relying on a computer program is that the user might not notice a questionable result if the program is producing wrong answers. Beyond the usual sorts of bugs that creep into any program, there is at least one program in the French-speaking world that will

produce wrong answers due to a misunderstanding of principles. Most astrologers who deal with only living subjects aren't concerned with Local Apparent Time (LAT), since it hasn't been used in most of the world for over a century, but it is an issue for historical work. (See "Do You Mean Apparent?" in the Sag. 1986 MD.) One of the few places LAT is still in active use is celestial navigation. Unfortunately, someone with some knowledge of navigation and astrology, but too little knowledge of the history of time changes, has pushed the mistaken idea that the "equation of time" needs to be used in modern charts. The equation of time is the difference between LAT and LMT (Local Mean Time), and should only be used in calculations where the original time was recorded in LAT (mostly pre-1800) to covert to the mean time used in all modern time zones and ephemerides. At least one computer program in the French world incorporated this mistake. The effect of this is to introduce an error of between 0 and 16 minutes of clock time (depending on date) into the chart. I became aware of this problem from correspondence. The person promoting the error finally sent a copy of the "authority" justifying his adherence to his position despite several letters from me and others. The key sentence in a French translation of the Cambridge Encyclopedia of Astronomy was "Uncadran solaire ordinaire donne le temps solaire apparent, mais il est possible de graduer un cadran de manière à ce qu'il donne le temps solaire moyen." The key to the translation loss problem is "cadran", which can mean either dial or clock face. The encyclopedia passage was actually talking about sundials, but was mistakenly read as talking about clocks. I have not received new correspondence on this issue for three months, so I believe the originator of the error has finally understood my (and others') correction. I hope he has told any programmers he had convinced of his erroneous math about the correction, but I don't know so. So, if you get any French astrology programs, run a chart with a November birth date (when the equation of time is largest) and check the cusps against a known good set of calculations done by hand or by another program. If the cusps are off by several degrees, the program probably includes the LAT error. (Thanks for the e-mail. Edie)

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SEEN ON THE BACK OF A BIKER'S VEST: IF YOU  
CAN READ THIS, MY WIFE FELL OFF.



MARK A. HOLMES  
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MARCH, 1999

**DEFIANCE GREGG (100/59):** Yeah, it's kind of sad when war becomes a real-life electronic game. Have you ever seen "The Last Starfighter"? I don't know if you have; it's pretty much an adolescent escapist fantasy: A trailer-park kid who can't get a college scholarship because he's too busy working, but who has a talent for video games aces a mysterious new game delivered to the park, meets its creator and suddenly discovers that the space war in the game is real and he's in it. In his spaceship, he blows away aggressive imperialistic aliens right and left on behalf of a pacifist star federation, and when he comes back to Earth with his alien navigator, a reptilian biped, in tow, he gets the girl and leaves the upper-class snob who already had everything and tried to get his girl, too, in the dust with egg all over his face and his shiny new pickup truck totaled. Sort of a metaphor for modern warfare, American style. Be All You Can Be. It was reported, after the Jonesboro, AR school yard massacre, that one of the perpetrators, Andrew Golden, all of 11-years-old at the time, cried for his mother in jail and begged to go home. Did you know that after that incident, some Republican state representative here in Texas (not mine) actually introduced a bill to make 11-year-olds who commit murder subject to the death penalty upon conviction??! Texas may have the nation's busiest executioners (and to much of the nation as well as much of the world, this makes us a bunch of barbarians), but that idea didn't even fly here. Governor George W. "Shrub" Bush wouldn't support the bill and it went nowhere very quickly in the state legislature, while the media coverage of it in the aftermath of the schoolyard shooting in Jonesboro was almost nonexistent and decidedly contemptuous where it did exist. I'm not saying kids who kill or commit other violent felonies should just get off with a slap on the wrist, but I have a problem with executing kids as well as putting 12 and 14-year-olds in adult prison.

**JANICE GILES (100/57)** Somebody reported in the latest issue of The Mountain Astrologer that asteroid Lilith  $\sigma$  the  $\text{Asc}$  of one woman generated a disheveled, rather haglike appearance. The mythological Lilith is sort of a she-demon. The actress Shannen Doherty has her natal asteroid Lilith at  $0^\circ 4'$  within  $5^\circ$  of her  $\text{MC}$   $\text{Asc}$  and  $\sigma$  her  $\text{MC}$   $\text{P}$  as well as  $\text{Asc}$  (out-of-sign). She's a petite, pallid black-haired brunette (which I ascribe

to  $\text{P}$ ) who's not exactly unattractive but has been describes as not spectacularly beautiful physically. As a preteen child actress, she was decidedly "goofy-looking" (her words). The aspect to her  $\text{Asc}$  is pretty wide. I think asteroid Lilith's influence on the personal appearance doesn't have to be specifically haglike; asteroid Lilith basically just puts people or things on the margins. The shadows of life, to use Hubert Humphrey's phrase. I give asteroid Lilith a generally unfortunate influence on the appearance which can be anything from just mildly out of conformity with the standard of attractiveness espoused by the person's culture to breathtakingly deformed or disfigured. In Doherty's case, it seems to be mostly psychological as opposed to physical and is often expressed through her work as an actress. She was once called a "malignant evil demon" by a producer describing her for a role. She was described as a person by some other people pretty much like that as she went through a highly publicized riot-grrrl period in which she went through men like socks and feuded with a bunch of people at the close of her four-year tenure on *Beverly Hills 90210*. She currently plays a witch on a fairly popular TV show called *Charmed*--I don't know if you can get it in New Zealand.

**ANNE LATHROP (100/47):** I think the hypothetical planet Lilith may refer to a cloud of space dust (not a second  $\text{D}$ ; there's only one) which a Russian space probe found in association with  $\oplus$  a while back. I don't know about Hygeia or Astraea, either, but I'm in the process of finding out.

**JOAN DEPCZYNSKI (100/39):** What we call "mental illness" is probably nothing more than maladaptive behavior which can be best remedied by changing the environment rather than the person, possibly by removing arrogant people with procrustean attitudes from the person's environment. God knows how many kids now popping Ritalin and other drugs in school nurse's offices across America would have their problems vanish if they were home-schooled, moved to the country, or if some other adjustment was made in the environment. Being gay is still considered a mental illness by some people (e.g., Trent Lott). Adolescent followers of Earth Religions are sometimes persecuted with psychiatry. One woman who was considered not feminine enough by her parents was forced to endure years of inpatient psychiatric "care" and forced feminine behavior, dress and grooming as a teenager until her parents' insurance ran out when she turned

18. I'm sure there are similar cases where the mental illnesses exist only in the minds of abusive parents and the psychiatrists they get as their allies in the abuse and whoever they have managed to mislead or delude. Those in power frequently use psychiatry to try to crush their enemies. And some people can't handle being sensitive to other dimensions or occult powers. In other words, I would be leery of any conventionalized, psychiatric explanation for or perspective on anybody's behavior. One should take any psychiatrist's opinion with a salt mine or two.

As for the CIA, neither its history nor ours is exactly pure as the driven snow, but there are worse offenders than Uncle Sam. I thought the CIA's role in the civil war in Guatemala, the establishment of the Pinochet regime, and the rise of the tyranny of the Iranian mullahs (through CIA meddling in Iranian internal affairs) was well documented in the mainstream media. Not to mention Sand Creek, Wounded Knee, the Tuskegee Study, the Trail of Tears, giving smallpox-contaminated blankets to the Native Americans of Montana, the internment of Japanese-Americans during World War II, slavery, Jim Crow, laws against marriage across racial lines, the Mississippi Sovereignty Commission, disenfranchisement of women, official anti-Semitism, sodomy laws still on the books in numerous states, etc., etc., etc., I don't think that during the Soviet era in Russia there were a lot of mainstream media reports about the dirty doings of the KGB. Does the Iraqi press report on the atrocities committed by Saddam's secret police? William Blum is still vertical, breathing and on the right side of the prison walls, isn't he? You see what I'm saying?

**JANICE VAN SHCUYLER (100/29):** I might be interested. Does this database compiled by the state of Idaho you mentioned include specifics on each case? There's a difference between being caught in a consensual sex act with a 15-year-old girlfriend or boyfriend the "sexual predator" has marriage plans with and anally raping a three-year-old along with a trained dog and taking pictures.

**JOSEPH SILVEIRA deMELLO (100/16):** I know about wide orbs. I'm actually pretty rigid about orbs; I never expand them arbitrarily just to suit myself on a case-by-case basis, like to bring another planet into a harmonic syndrome when it's in aspect to some planets participating in the pattern but not to others, or when one planet is luminary or to provide a convenient explanation for

something or because I just want more listings in an aspectarian or whatever. I do use wide orbs for the Ptolemaic aspects less the ✕, and when wide they're still valid, but for a lot of minor aspects, like the decile, septile, undecimal and golden sections, I allow an orb of no more than 1° flat.

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**JAN INGERSOL  
ANCHORAGE, AK  
APRIL, 1999**

Today at the drugstore, the clerk was a gent. From my purchase this chap took off ten percent. I asked for the cause of a lesser amount and he answered, "Because of the Seniors Discount."

I went to McDonald's for a burger and fries; and there, once again, got quite a surprise. The clerk poured some coffee which he handed me. He said, "For you, Seniors, the coffee is free."

Understand---I'm not old---I'm merely mature; but some things are changing, temporarily, I'm sure. The newspaper print gets smaller each day, and people speak softer---can't hear what they say.

My teeth are my own (I have the receipt.) and my glasses identify people I meet.

Oh, I've slowed down a bit---not a lot, I am sure. You see, I'm not old---only mature.

The gold in my hair has been bleached by the Sun. You should see all the damage the chlorine has done. Washing my hair has turned it all white, but don't call it gray---saying "blonde" is just right.

My car is all paid for---not a nickel is owed. Yet a kid yells, "Old Duffer---get off of the road!" My car has no scratches---not even a dent. Still I get all that guff from a punk who's "hell bent."

My friends all get older---much faster than me. They seem much more wrinkled, from what I can see. I've got "character lines," not wrinkles---for sure, but don't call me old---just call me mature.

The steps in the houses they're building today are so high that they take your breath all away; and the streets are much steeper than ten years ago. That should explain why my walking is slow. But I'm keeping up on what's hip and what's new, and I think I can still dance a mean boogaloo. I'm still in the running---in this I'm secure, I'm not really old---I'm only mature.

Source Unknown

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Cheryl Niggle  
Honolulu, HI  
April, 1999

I was going through the 99th when the 100th arrived! I'd swear that I'd only had the 99th a few days - don't know where the time goes. When as children my siblings and I would grumble about having nothing to do Sundays that never ended, my mother always admonished us to be grateful -- when one is a child, time goes slowly, she would say; when one is an adult, the time passes too quickly. She was too right.

Congratulations of 25 years in the MH publishing business, Edie. I am so grateful to have this marvelous forum. Even if I am guilty of not writing in on occasion, I never fail to read word-for-word what others have written. MH is a great learning tool and a wonderful way to dialogue with different astrologers.

Some thoughts on the costs. They are always rising, and I'm sure that you have already thought of ways to reduce them, but I'll throw my two cents in anyway. I edit and publish a magazine for Chaminade University and used to do so for the Honolulu Zoo and the Chamber of Commerce when I was employed in those places. I have always looked for ways to lessen the cost without sacrificing the quality. I notice that you use a good grade of paper for the inside pages and a heavy cover stock. Perhaps you could use a lighter grade of paper and cover stock, which will still keep a good look but not cost as much. Color is pretty but can also be expensive so I'd suggest going to a black and white look on the cover. As I recall, you mail in an envelope, too. I have saved money on my last few issues of the Chaminade Quarterly by dispensing of the envelopes and ink jetting (or labeling) right on the back cover. Feel free to use any, none, or all of these suggestions if they work for you. Also, raise your ad prices and your subscription prices. MH is worth it.

I had to laugh at Sue Simmons (99/38) comment about Honolulu being Steam Bath City. She and I had a good chuckle over that when I teased her about it. It does get humid in the summer months here, particularly those times when the trade winds stop and we get what we call "kona" weather, which I think are like the Santa Ana winds in California. My sister who lived in Scottsdale, AZ for many years kept saying that her weather was preferable to ours because of the low

humidity, but I felt hotter there than here. Maybe it's my water sign Sun and Asc.

To Jane Statlander (99/20), welcome to the Reiki family. I am continually amazed of its benefit in my life and in the lives of those around me. I received Reiki from Reiki Master Helen Haberly in 1988 and then my second level from her in 1990. She was taught by Grand Master Hawayo Takata, who lived on Kauai, and who had gone to Japan to learn from Hayashi-San. My experience, though, and Helen's teachings, don't limit Reiki's change of energy to 21 days later. In fact, the first night of my initiation, she said, "Champa," (my Indian name), "you have cats?" No psychic revelation there. I am always covered with cat hair in varying quantities. She said to observe my cats that night; they might be a little standoffish or skittish at first because my energy had changed with the first initiation. When I got home, the cats sniffed me thoroughly from head to toe, eyed me for a while, and finally consented to sleep with me. Helen said this was a normal reaction to the change in energy. Of course, once the Reiki was sealed, the change was even more pronounced, but the animals were very accepting. Animals and small children are usually okay with it because they have not been programmed to discount it. Takata always said that we all have Reiki when we are born (it IS a UNIVERSAL ENERGY) but as we grow up, we are programmed by the elders to forget how to do the work. Helen said that if a child tells you he or she has Reiki, agreed. They are correct. The Reiki initiations are only to re-awaken the dormant energy.

Jim Haynes (99/63). As far as I know, Swami Vishnu Devananda has not been through Honolulu or held satsong here. It was undoubtedly a tribute to you that he asked you to teach hatha yoga.

Edith Custer and Cammille Adams (99/34). What you say about a crisis 6 months after a death is interesting. When I read that, I started a review of my own family. What I remember is that about six months after my grandmother Laura Hagan's death in 1981, three of her five daughters were diagnosed with breast cancer, each one month apart. That would be my Aunts Eileen and Nancy and my mother, Shirley. Aunt Nancy died in November of 1987 of reoccurring cancer, at the same time my mother was diagnosed with reoccurring cancer. Mom died in June of 1988. When I was reviewing my Dad's chart, I saw a crisis period for him in December of 1988. I remember sharing my concerns with a

"friend" who accused me of projecting my grief on to him and being overly obsessive about his health. I went home to Cleveland for the holidays anyway, and although I couldn't detect any overt health problems in him, I did see that he was in a full-blown depression (first Christmas without Mom). I thought perhaps my friend was correct and that I was reading too much into the aspects because I was afraid of losing him, too. The following June, Dad called and said he had just been diagnosed with prostate cancer. He said that the doctor told him it had started in December of the previous year. The astrological was correct, but the disease was not overt enough to be detected in its incipient stage when I saw him in December. Aunt Eileen survived the cancer and died in September of 1998 of heart failure and her sister, Aunt Lucille, followed her six months later in March of 1999, also of heart failure. If anyone wants the chart data, let me know. I have timed charts on Mom, Dad, and Aunt Nancy, and date charts (times unknown) on Grandma, Eileen, and Lucille. (Thanks for the e-mail)

Tom OWENS  
Midland, TX  
April, 1999

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In my travels I get to meet some very interesting people who often share personal details of their lives (My Scorpio Asc., I assume). One that I would like to share with the subscribers of Mercury Hour is Larissa. Larissa is a pre-operative transsexual (as she thinks of herself: a woman in a man's body) who is involved in the dominate/submissive and Sadistic/Masochistic scene (she is submissive/masochistic). Our conversation started due to her interest in astrology so naturally I asked permission to share her birth data (born: 10/29/1964 in Evanston, Indiana at 8:46 AM) with Mercury Hour, to which she agreed.

She has already had a legal name and gender change, is undergoing estrogen therapy and psychological counseling, and is planning the physiological sex change operation in the next two years when finances permit (Pluto will be transiting her 1st house, opposing her Moon, Mars conjunction). She shared some of her childhood history which includes sexual abuse and memories of Satanic ritual abuse uncovered during counseling. Larissa is tall 6'1" and intelligent (IQ of about 130). She believes the lack of cardinal signs in her chart accounts for her submissive nature and her Virgo Venus for her bondage fetish. I found her interesting and hope Mercury Hour's subscribers do too. (Thanks for the e-mail)

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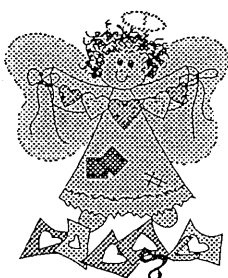
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Just in case you did not know: Here's a tip that can save you some money come the Y2K attack. It was passed on from a friend in the military.

Here is something I bet you hadn't thought would be an issue for Y2K. You won't be able to use the programmed recording feature.

"Do not throw away your VCR in the year 2000. Set it on 1972 because the days will be the same. Please pass this on because you know the manufacturer will not share this information. They will want you to buy a new one that is Y2K compliant." (Thanks for the e-mail)

## Mercury Hour's Angels



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We would like to recognize the "Angels" who have contributed to the Mercury Hour publication fund. Our sincere thanks to all of them.

Edle, Betty & Pam

M. J. Makransky  
Coban, Guatemala  
April, 1999

To Janice Van Schuyler (100/29) I don't think your Mayan calendar software is correct because Arguelles does the calculations incorrectly. You can check it: April 6, 1999 is the first day of the new year (Haab) and should correspond to 5 E (Tzolkin) 0 Pop (Haab). I'm presently writing some software to do these calculations, give a capsule interpretation from Mayan sources (like Bill Clinton's), and provide a bunch of calendrical hieroglyphics (long count, Tzolkin, Haab, and Lord of the Night count) for one's birthday, which you can use to personalize stationery, make posters, etc. If you send me a copy of the sex offenders list (en passant: Boise sounds like a swinging place!), I'll mail you a copy of my software when it's finished (late this year probably). My address is: Apartado #36, Coban A.V., Guatemala. I've read "The Mayan Prophecies" and found it kind of hokey; I don't know "Mayan Pleiadian Cosmology", but the title sort of says it all. I think you'll do better reading stuff based on Mayan Indian sources rather than the Pleiades, such as Barbara Tedlock's "Time and the Highland Maya" or Martin Prechtel's "Talking Jaguar" (which doesn't have much on the Mayan calendar, but is a good source of information on Mayan shamanic training).

To Joseph Silveira deMello (100/15) Vis-a-vis your remark to Mark Holmes, that the closest orbs are the strongest: I would say this is true OTHER THINGS BEING EQUAL. A lot depends on the aspect (a 6 degree orb opposition is going to be stronger than a 3 degree orb sextile, usually); the overall pattern (a wide trine which is part of a grand trine is going to be stronger than a close trine off by itself somewhere); and the planets involved (aspects between moon and Venus, or between Mars and Saturn, are going to be stronger than aspects between Mars and Neptune or Venus and Pluto, irrespective of orb, since these planets aren't "in synch with each other, don't combine well one way or the other).

To everyone EXCEPT Guy de Penguern (100/7) The Equation of Time is indeed the difference between true ("sundial") time and mean time (which "averages out" differences resulting from the earth's varying speed in its yearly orbit). However, the ET MUST NOT be used to compute Sidereal Time, or else you'll throw all your calculations out by up to 16 minutes. In this case ISAR is quite correct, and de Penguern's sources

are absolutely wrong. See Meeus' "Astronomical Algorithms" (Willmann-Bell) for a good explanation.

To David Dozier (100/13) This "Geographic versus Geocentric Latitude" controversy is another of these astrological canards which refuses to die no matter how much refutation is mustered against it. Walter Koch's and Charles Jayne's works are riddled with all sorts of errors, and the use of geocentric latitude is one of them. See Geoffrey Dean's "Recent Advances", Robert Hand's "Essays", or my "Primary Directions" for an explanation of why geographic latitude is the correct latitude to use in all astrological calculations (or write me and I'll send you the relevant page from my P.D. book). Basically, the angle we are using (to compute e.g. the ascendant) is the angle between the rational horizon and the celestial equator, and this angle is - by definition - the co-geoGRAPHIC (not geoCENTRIC) latitude. (Thanks for the e-mail)

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**JENNIE S. ADAMS**  
**SAN ANTONIO, TX**  
**MARCH, 1999**

EDITH (100/1): Can't tell you how sorry I am about the plight of Mercury Hour. Life won't be worth living without it! But for the life of me, I can't seem to come up with any solutions. I, for one, would be willing to pay more for the subscription but I suspect you would lose many subscribers if it were to be raised. I will donate to help keep it going but obviously you are not getting enough donations to fund it. Obviously we are not getting enough new people and probably won't because of the Internet. Everyone is too impatient any more. They want instant answers and that is what they get from the computer. I will miss Mercury Hour -- I started subscribing with the Oct. '82 issue and also bought the first 4 years of MH when they were reprinted. I've learned more astrology in the magazine than I have anywhere else. Don't even know how to use a chat room on the Net. Will send a donation by snail mail.

KT BOEHRER<sup>®</sup> (100/14): Agree that Ed Dearborn should be recognized. I have enjoyed his work, and yours, in declinations. Pluto stationed Rx exactly on my Sun in the 6th. Guess I will be dealing with Pluto the rest of my natural life as my descendant is 14 Sag. 46 and Moon is 20 Gemini. So far just dealing with health issues and have my fingers crossed. (Thanks for the e-mail. Edie)

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# Cheryl Niggle

## Honolulu, HI

### April, 1999

Hi again!

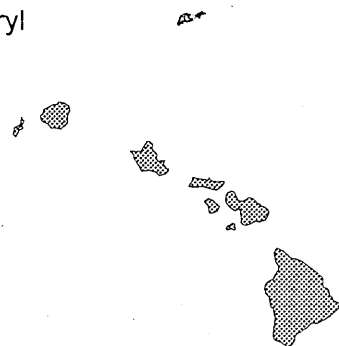
**Sue Simmons (100/44).** Sue, did a great job of pulling together a spotlight for Zip Dobyns when she was here a couple of months ago. Sue created flyers and distributed around town, and also handled most of the publicity. She even arranged the refreshments and a place for Zip to stay. Sue, Zip, and I had a nice, low-key dinner the night before the presentation, then went back to Zip's B&B in Manoa. Several other Astrologers took her out one other evening. Zip's talk and private readings were mostly well received. A couple of people were very disappointed that she didn't confirm their view that the millennium was going to bring death and destruction to the known world. One of the attendees was/is firmly convinced that the time is ripe to move into another dimension and pouted after Zip said that sometimes people hope this sort of thing will happen -- its like a magic wand to get rid of their problems in one poof, but that she didn't see that occurring. Another lady was absolutely certain that the president was going to die in office before the end of the year, which would throw the US into turmoil, rack, and ruin, and was quite unhappy when Zip said she didn't see that in his chart. Everyone, except for the doom-and-gloomers, had a good time, though.

Sue not only organized the special evening with Zip but also has taken charge of pulling local Astrologers together for a monthly meeting. It has been both a pleasurable and painful as well as an elucidating one. Sue looks at the charts, picks an evening that looks good, sends out Email and/or mail notices, provides the meeting room, take reservations, and brings refreshments. She even runs charts for others, no charge, to get the meeting topics off the ground. The meetings have been great; sometimes, there are six to eight of us, other times more. But, along the way, sweet Sue has had to deal with the Divas. These are not be confused with the Devas for those Hindus in MH land. When we first came together, several of the Divas promised to help. They didn't. Then one dropped out because she wanted to post her natal chart and current lunar return at every meeting so the rest of us could "practice" reading it and Sue had to remind her that we needed to diversify. One dropped out because Sue set up a

list of rules (okay, Uranian-types don't like rules, but these were no-brainers). Mostly, they referred to housekeeping items, such as what to do if you come late because the building was secured, where to park, etc. On the list, though, was an admonition to show respect for the speaker. If one did disagree, they should do so professionally. There was to be no rolling of eyes, exaggerated sighs, throwing of hands into the air, and tsk-tsking sounds. Who do you think had been doing all of these things when someone else was speaking? Uh huh. So two down and more to go. One Diva came to a meeting and afterwards said that if she, the and most well-known Astrologer in town, couldn't organize a these past 25 years, how could Sue, being a newcomer to Hawaii, do it? The presumption! The answer to her question is, apparently quite well. Two Divas were adamant that they didn't want a certain other Astrologer Diva invited but we voted for an "open table" so that irritated them. This has certainly been a learning experience. What we've found, though, is that as we settled into the routine of meeting each month, those that come enjoy themselves and go home happy, and newcomers come in to fill the void of the Divas who defected. Whomever is there is supposed to be there, is there. Those that have stayed with the group are bonding and the mood has shifted from "well, I'll see if I can make it," to "when is our next get-together?" The interest is growing, thanks to Sue. Sue has done a marvelous job playing Mom in a nurturing rather than authoritative way.

I believe Sue has issued an invitation to Astrologers traveling to Hawaii on other business, or returning from Asia or Oceania, to stop off and let her put together a special evening. We hope to see more of you heading our way. Zip may be planning another stopover before her annual trek to Beautiful Kauai next January. We both hope to have lots of visitors, and put some faces to names on the pages of MH in the near future.

Aloha! Cheryl



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**Part 2 of two**  
**Conclusion**

**JACK KEVORKIAN**

Here are some progressions and transits for 1997-1998, again using the Noon date. Progr.  $\text{Asc} = 1.57^\circ$  of  $\text{♋}$  in  $\text{♈}$  to progr.  $\text{♀}$  at  $2.18^\circ$  of  $\text{♏}$  progr.  $\text{Mc}$  at  $25.49^\circ$  of  $\text{♍}$  brings IC  $\text{♂}$  Algol  $\text{♂}$  progr. trans.  $\text{♁}$  in  $\text{♏}$   $\square$  progr.  $\text{Asc}$  and trans.  $\text{♀}$   $\text{♂}$   $\text{Asc}$ . Trans  $\text{♁}$   $\text{♂}$  the  $\text{♏}$  in  $\text{♏}$ . Trans.  $\text{♁}$  went direct Dec. 29th, 1998 at  $26.46^\circ$  of  $\text{♏}$   $\text{♂}$  natal  $\text{♁}$   $\text{♏}$  to natal  $\text{Asc}$  and  $\text{♀}$ . This signifies loss of ones good luck, or good fortune. Prog.  $\text{☉} =$  at  $13.16^\circ$  of  $\text{♏}$ . The progr.  $\text{☽}$  moves from  $7.51^\circ$  of  $\text{♏}$  to  $21.46^\circ$  by Nov. 1998 noon date...It was reported in Nov. that Kevorkian had taken part in 130 assisted suicides since 1990. As said before Algol is the most evil Star-according to Vivian Robson, it causes misfortune violence, etc., etc. also signifies a pile of corpses. Algol is angular at birth and again angular by progression. End of 1998 the interception in the natal 8th house ceased.

By March 1999 the progr.  $\text{☽}$  moves into the 5th house. By June 1999 progr.  $\text{☽}$  will  $\square$  natal  $\text{♁}$ . The progr.  $\text{☽}$  Nov. 1998 was  $\text{♂}$  natal  $\text{♁}$  showing sudden changes (remember 60 Minutes) Kervorkian administered a series of injections to Youk by assisted suicide on the night of Sept. 17th, 1998. Progr.  $\text{♁}$  at  $17.23$  of  $\text{♏}$   $\text{♂}$  the fixed Star Al Wasat has connection to malevolence, destruction. Connected with poisons and gases. The eclipses during 1998 are also very revealing also during 1999, having to do with legal issues. The full  $\text{☽}$  March 2, 1999  $\text{♂}$  natal  $\text{Mc}$  and trans.  $\text{♁}$  will  $\text{♂}$  nat.  $\text{♁}$ - $\text{♂}$ . Kevorkian was accused of first degree murder in Nov. 1998. Freed from jail Nov. 26th ordered not to participate in any assisted suicides. I am only giving the most obvious aspects here, and skip over some years. It would become too lengthy otherwise.

I would like to say a word about Pholus and Nessus here. Both are Centaurs, 1/2 human and 1/2 horse. They are Kuiper Belt objects. Pholus was discovered in 1992, Nessus in 1993.  $\text{♄}$  is also a Centaur. A study of AIDS patients and their Centaurs as well as those patients of Jack Kervorkian, a.k.a. Dr. Death, is warranted by the

discovery of the Centaurs. There are 4 more Centaurs but they don't have a name as yet. However they are included in the Ephemeris by Philip Sedgwick. He can be contacted at 9451 East Becker Lane #B 1058. Scottsdale, AZ 85260. Phone 602-451-3070. He compiled the Ephemeris and also gives an outline on Methodology.

Pholus has to do with the concept of euthanasia, the act of ending pain and suffering, or even the ending of life. The Centaurs hold the keys of knowledge required to transcend the human struggles. Both  $\text{♁}$  and  $\text{♀}$  bracket Centaur orbits. we can work with Pholus and Nessus to establish a clear sense of personal morality and choice, independent of collective pressures. In 1990 trans. Pholus moved from  $27^\circ$  of II  $\text{♂}$  Kevorkians natal  $\text{♀}$  to  $15^\circ$  of  $\text{♏}$   $\text{♂}$  his natal  $\text{♁}$ .

In 1994 Pholus  $\text{♂}$  his natal  $\text{♀}$ . In 1995  $\text{♂}$  his natal  $\text{Mc}$ . Pholus moved from  $29.25^\circ$  of II end of 1989 to  $24.16^\circ$  of  $\text{♁}$  end of 1998. Moves into  $\text{♍}$  Nov. 1999. Moves about 12 to  $15^\circ$ /year. Nessus was at  $1.12^\circ$  of  $\text{♁}$  end of 1989 will be at  $28.12^\circ$  of  $\text{♏}$  end of 1999. Nessus moves about 8 to  $10^\circ$ /year was  $\text{♂}$  his  $\text{Asc}$  beginning of 1995. Will  $\text{♂}$  his  $\text{♀}$  end of 1999. This gives some kind of idea as to the aspects made by both.

I'd like to include some parts:

Part of Suicide  $\square$ 's  $\text{♀}$  at  $28.21^\circ$  of  $\text{♏}$  = ( $\text{Asc} + 8\text{th} - \text{♁}$ )  
 Part of Discord  $\text{♂}$   $\text{♁}$  at  $17.29^\circ$  of  $\text{♏}$  = ( $\text{Asc} + \text{♁} - \text{♂}$ )  
 Part of Death  $\text{Mc} - \text{☽}$  at  $12.05^\circ$  of  $\text{♏}$  = ( $\text{Asc} = 8\text{th} \text{ ☽}$ )  
 Part of Peril =  $\text{♂}$  Node at  $8.13^\circ$  of II = ( $\text{Asc} = 8\text{th} - \text{♁}$ )  
 Part of Imprisonment =  $\square$   $\text{♁}$  at  $14.04^\circ$   $\text{♏}$  = ( $12\text{th} + \text{☉} - \text{♀}$ )  
 Part of Confinement =  $\text{♂}$  the  $\text{☉}$   $4.29^\circ$  II = ( $\text{Asc} = \text{Fortuna} - \text{♀}$ )

Here are a couple more fixed stars:

$27.47 \text{ } \text{♏}$  = Great Nebulae. Violence. Passion, Changeable. Eye or ear problems. Tenacity of purpose. The will to succeed. Bad habits. Destructive  
 $7.38 \text{ } \text{♏}$  = Hamal. Violence, Cruelty. Premeditated crime. Perverted tastes.  
 $5.46 \text{ } \text{II}$  = Hyades Prima. Tears. Violence. Blindness. Imprisonment. Judicial sentences.  
 $9.46 \text{ } \text{II}$  = Aldebaran. Notoriety. Self-destruction.  
 $28.33 \text{ } \text{II}$  = Polaris. Disgrace.  
 $15.00 \text{ } \text{♏}$  = A degree of suicide.  
 $27.34 \text{ } \text{♏}$  = Adahfera = Suicide. Poison. Liquids. Military.  
 $11.14 \text{ } \text{♏}$  = Disgrace.  
 $9.13 \text{ } \text{♏}$  = Han. Trouble and disgrace, Violence, Military.  
 $15.00 \text{ } \text{♏}$  = Rasalgethi. Boldness.  
 $3.51 \text{ } \text{X}$  = Fomalhaut. Immortal name  
 $3.16 \text{ } \text{X}$  = Sadalemik = Sudden destruction.



4.55 Deneb Aldige. Clever.

Some Asteroids:

Atlantis  $\sigma$  4 at 28.58  $\Upsilon$   $\square$  Trans.  $\mathbb{P}$  = Power.

Aesculapia at 6.54  $\Upsilon$  signifies the physician.

Astrea at 21.25  $\delta$  is witnessing events and staying to the bitter end.

Atropos is the finish, cutting the cords of life. Is endings.

Uranian Planets:

Poseidon=28.38° of  $\mathbb{P}$  = clever is  $\times$  sideways  $\times$

Poseidon/ $\Psi$  = Mc. His heart is in his work and he turns to his inner knowledge.

Vulcanus =  $\square$   $\mathcal{D}$  at 16.11° of  $\Pi$ .

Appallon =  $\square$   $\odot/\mathcal{D}$  =  $\Psi$  at 4.58° of  $\mathbb{P}$ .

Zeus =  $\square$  to  $\mathcal{J}$  and  $\square$  to Kronos at 8.14° of  $\delta$ .

Cupido = 22.46° of  $\mathcal{Q}$ .

Zeus = at 6.07° of  $\mathcal{Q}$ .

Kronus = at 8.14° of  $\delta$

Admetos = at 8.34° of  $\Upsilon$

Hades = at 7.07° of  $\Upsilon$

I have also done a 100 year declination outline. Kervorkian has very high mood swings, as his  $\mathcal{D}$  is out of bounds by progr. declination = 25.49°. Transit  $\mathcal{Q}$  was out of bounds at birth till about age 16 when it went Direct. Decl. progr.  $\mathcal{Q}$  out of bounds from about 1948 to 1968. His decl. progr.  $\mathcal{Q}$   $\sigma$  his  $\mathbb{P}$  decl. from about 1982 to the year 2000 $\mathcal{R}_x$ .

I also have noticed that there are quite a few ties between Kevorkian and the chart of the U.S.A. using July 4, 1776 chart. Time 4.47.09 P.M. EST, Philadelphia. 39.57N and 75.10W Long.

His  $\Psi/\mathbb{P}$  = U.S.A. Lunar Nodal Axis.

His Nodal Axis is  $\sigma$   $\mathcal{H}$  (U.S.A.) at 8.56° of  $\Pi$ .

His  $\mathbb{P}$  is close to the U.S.A.  $\odot$  at 13.18° of  $\mathcal{Q}$ .

His  $\odot$  at 5° of  $\Pi$  shows one to be against the order of things.

The progressed  $\mathcal{D}$  table for 1998-1999 starting at Noon Date Nov. 26th.

Nov.....7.51 of  $\Upsilon$ ,  $\sigma$  natal  $\sigma$ - $\mathcal{H}$

Dec.....9.00 of  $\Upsilon$ ,  $\times$  Node  $\angle$   $\mathcal{Q}$

Jan.....10.09 of  $\Upsilon$ ,

Feb.....11.19 of  $\Upsilon$ , in the 90° dial will aspect  $\text{Asc } \Psi$   $\mathcal{Q}$  natal as well as the solar eclipse at 27.08° of  $\mathcal{M}$  (Trans.  $\mathcal{H}$  on nat. 4) please note that 11° of cardinals = equal to 26° of fixed, see the scale of cardinal, fixed and common in Cosmobiology into the 5th house.

Mar.....12.29 of  $\Upsilon$

Apr.....13.39 of  $\Upsilon$

May.....14.48 of  $\Upsilon$   $\square$  nat.  $\mathbb{P}$ ,  $\Delta$ 's natal  $\mathcal{H}$

June.....15.58 of  $\Upsilon$

July.....17.07 of  $\Upsilon$

Aug.....18.17 of  $\Upsilon$

Sept.....19.27 of  $\Upsilon$

Oct.....20.37 of  $\Upsilon$

Nov. 1999.21.46 of  $\Upsilon$

The solar eclipse in February does not bode well at all.

## End part 2 - Conclusion

### MORE ON KEVORKIAN

Diurnal Chart on Jack Kevorkian for March 11, 1999

To cast the diurnal I use March 11th, for the event and the natal birth info. which is 6:10 P.M. CST. Pontiac, Mich. Lat 42N38, Long. 83W18.

Kevorkian had to appear before a judge. The prosecutors dropped the assisted suicide charge against him. They dropped the charge so that Kevorkian would not be given the opportunity to present evidence about pain and suffering of Thomas Youk, age 52, a victim of Lou Gehrig's disease. Kevorkian was shown on "60 Minutes", a show injecting Thomas Youk on the night of Sept. 17th, 1998, giving first a sedative, then a muscle relaxant to stop Youk's breathing and a 3rd drug to stop his heart. Kevorkian will have to appear in court for 1st degree murder charge against him on March 22, 1999.

The diurnal chart has 28:46  $\mathbb{P}$   $\text{Asc } \text{Mc}$  at 28.32  $\Pi$ . Both signs are ruled by  $\mathcal{Q}$ . Natal  $\mathcal{Q}$  is at 27:25 of  $\Pi$   $\sigma$  the  $\text{Mc}$  and  $\square$   $\text{Asc } \mathcal{Q}$  and  $\text{Mc}$  are  $\sigma$  the fixed star Polaris. This shows many troubles. Diurnal  $\mathcal{Q}$  is 3:52 of  $\Upsilon$  showing interrogation and questioning, a lot of talk.  $\mathcal{Q}$  went  $\mathcal{R}_x$  March 10th at 4:03 of  $\Upsilon$ . There will be more of the same with  $\mathcal{Q}$  now  $\mathcal{R}_x$ . Trans. 4 is at 6° of  $\Upsilon$   $\sigma$  natal  $\mathcal{H}$   $\sigma$ .  $\mathcal{Q}/\mathcal{J}=\Psi$  shows cunning and falsehood. In the diurnal the 9th house of legal issues has the fixed star Algol on the cusp, at 24:38 of  $\delta$ . Natal  $\mathcal{Q}$  is at 25:46 of  $\delta$  also  $\sigma$  Algol. Natal  $\text{Asc}$  is at 26:50 of  $\mathbb{M}$  in  $\sigma$ , these also have a connection to the eclipse of Feb. 16th are sensitive points in the horoscope, so that the chart becomes more fateful. Transit  $\mathbb{P}$  is  $\sigma$  natal  $\mathcal{U}$  show karmic links, also natal  $\mathbb{P}$  is  $\pi$  to natal  $\mathcal{H}$  and  $\mathcal{H}$  and natal Pallas Athena form a Yod with  $\mathbb{P}$ . Adverse aspects to  $\mathcal{H}$  show crystallization which hinder progress, it shows habits of their past.  $\mathbb{P}$  is a key significator showing Karmic influences and also past patterns of life, and the natal house position shows where

regeneration is needed. ♄ is also connected to Karma is the ruler of the natal ♏.

Kevorkian's Karmic ♏ is 24:06 of ♄ (See previous article on ("Karma")). 5° of ♄ is a fixed star Hyades Prima on the natal 9th house, shows imprisonment, in the diurnal of March 22".

The chart clearly shows notoriety and legal problems. It clearly shows the issues at hand. I have done two diurnals, one for March 11th, the other for March 22nd, 1999, to check the validity of the natal chart, which I rectified, as no birth time was available.

#### DIURNAL CHART ON JACK KEVORKIAN FOR MARCH 22, 1999

The solar eclipse of Feb. 16th at 27° of ♋ fell ☐ to Kevorkian's ♏ and natal ♀ in ♈ to his natal ♀ in the 9th house. Also the diurnal chart has ☐/♂ at 27° of ♋, also aspecting the eclipse point. This gives him a fighting spirit. ♀ shows a gambler, he gambles with his own life. He wants the world to cooperate with him and what he stands for. In the diurnal natal ♏ is ♂ his 12th house ☐ to natal ☐ at 13:17° of ♄ in the 9th house. He dreams many dreams, and has a mental fixation. It also shows that work is conducted in secret. Kevorkian I feel will go to jail. ♀/♂ ♂ I.C. ☐ natal ♂ ♄. Kevorkian is daring and foolhardy. He fights against the establishment for innovations and reforms. (Revolution)

7:12 of ♋ is rising, its ruler ♀ is in the 8th house ☐ ♀ at 3:49 of ♋ is ♂ the natal 3rd house. Here ♀ rules the 6th house, again showing that chemicals play a role in his work. (see Donna Henson's degrees) ♄ at 8:50 of ♄ is in ♈ to the ♏ and ♂ natal ♄ ♂ and progressed ♄/♄ at 8:26 of ♄. Shows self-will and very determined Diurnal ♄ at 24:40 of ♋ ☐ natal ♀, the ruler of the chart. Natal ☐ is ♂ the 9th house of legal affairs. Progressed ☐ is ♂ natal ♄. Progressed ♏ is ♂ transit ♀. Progressed I.C. ♂ transit ♄. Progressed ♄ at 4:18 of ♄ ♂ natal 9th house. Transit ♂ and ♄ are both ♄ they rule the lower and the higher court (7th and 9th houses) this could signify a retrial. The diurnal chart shows what is going on, and how one reacts to it. Focus is on the angles, house cusps and the planets to it, also the eclipses and the transits. Use 1° orb. Kevorkian's natal ♏ is ♂ the progressed ♏ at 26:47 of ♄. The ☐, ♄ are at 0° declination. The trial will draw a lot of attention and controversies. The full ☐ on March 2nd at 11:15 of ♄ ♂ natal ♏ and ☐

#### MARK POTTENGER LOS ANGELES, CA MARCH, 1999

(Mark Pottenger sent the following letter and copies of other letters (by e-mail) he had previously sent to GUY de PENGUERN. There were 11 pages of various letters and I have reprinted only parts. Some of the information contained a few of the letters and the articles can stand repeating. The excerpts go back to 1996. The two articles are separated from this. Edie)

I was slightly horrified to see in the April Mercury Hour that Guy de Penguern is apparently again spreading his mathematical mistakes in the astrological community. Below is something I sent to several people last year. I sent this material to: Astrolabe, Ananda Bagley, Marguerite dar Boggia, David Cochrane, Das Goravani, John A. Halloran, Rob Hand, HERMES, Astrology House, Alphee Lavoie, Jeanne Long, Ray Merriman, Microcycles, Roxana Muise, Michael Munkasey, Rique Pottenger, Kim Rogers-Gallagher, Ena Stanley, Esoteric Technologies, Alois Treindl, Mark Urban-Lurain and John Woodsmall. Most people I asked said they gave up on GdP after trying to convince him of facts.

#### Folks: Excerpts from letters 8/6/98

I have addressed this note to several ISAR officers and several members of the astrological programming community. A couple years ago I attempted to correct bad information about the use of time and the equation of time being put out by Guy de Penguern. See copies (below) of my several letters to him. I just received another letter from him (with indications of copies sent to several of you) in which he is still repeating the same errors. (He also cites a line he says I wrote which is not in my file copies of my letters.)

The letter from a French astronomer that he enclosed says exactly what I said in several of my letters, but he thinks it supports him! Does any recipient of this note think they can get through to someone who has already failed to understand all my earlier letters (below)? Do any recipients read & write French to deal with him in his native language? I wish such nonsense could be ignored, but he is obviously publishing information based on his misunderstandings.

#### Excerpts from various letters 5/23/98

Dear Guy:

I received the copy you sent me of a letter to Dr. Theodor Landscheidt. Dr. Landscheidt has

probably already corrected your misunderstanding, but in case he hasn't I will do so below.

Time based directly on the Sun's apparent position, which varies from a mean by the effects of the equation of time, was used until the late 1700s or early 1800s, with the changeover date varying from country to country. This system of time was called sundial time or Local Apparent Time, and is available in the CCRS Horoscope Program with the time type abbreviation of LAT. LAT was replaced by Local Mean Time, which deliberately eliminates the equation of time from clock time by using a mean for each meridian of longitude. This system of time is available in CCRS with the abbreviation LMT. In 1883, LMT was supplemented and largely replaced by zone-based standard times. Each 15-degree (1 hour) wide zone uses the LMT of the zone meridian at (approximately) the center of the zone as the standard time for the whole zone. GMT or UT is the LMT and standard time of the world's prime meridian of 0 longitude running through Greenwich Observatory in England. All clocks in normal use for the last century have kept zone-based time. All birth and event times for the last century have been recorded in zone-based time.

Astrological ephemerides (except a few special-purpose local products) give planetary positions for times given in UT (or Ephemeris Time, which is UT +/- a  $\Delta t$  correction which is under 1 minute for the last century). Calculations of planetary positions therefore require time in UT. For any zone-based time, UT is obtained by adding or subtracting the zone meridian hours and any correction for daylight or war time. Introducing equation of time effects at this point would produce the wrong UT. Angle and house calculations require a Local Sidereal Time (LST). The most direct way to get this is to get the Greenwich Sidereal Time (GST) based on the UT obtained for planetary calculations, then make a single longitude as time correction to get from GST to LST. Introducing equation of time effects (which are strictly solar time, not sidereal time) at this point would produce the wrong LST. Since UT and LST are the only two times required to calculate a chart, your assertion that the equation of time should be used in calculating charts is patently wrong for any chart based on normal clock times used for the last century. Only if you are getting a time directly from a sundial would use of the equation of time be needed.

I hope this clears up your confusion.

Sincerely, Mark Pottenger

Dear Guy:

This is my last attempt to correct you on LAT and the (SOLAR ONLY) equation of time. If you still don't get it, I give up.

Dr. Landscheidt wrote me on 3 June in response to my first letter to you on this topic. I quote: "You are quite right, I would have responded the same way."

Study the enclosed two charts for the U.S. Constitution. One was run for midnight LAT and one LMT. The LAT chart correctly has the Sun on the IC. The LMT chart only has the Sun near the IC. Notice that the UTs of the two charts differ. The equation of time is used in getting from LAT to UT but not from LMT to UT (all Solar times). After getting the UT, THE EQUATION OF TIME IS NOT USED AGAIN! Perform the equation of time modification to sidereal time you suggest and you will mess up the LAT chart and move the Sun away from the IC. Sidereal Time is, BY DEFINITION, a mean time system. It is subject to minor corrections from obliquity and nutation, but NOT the equation of time.

Leap years and leap days are COMPLETELY unconnected to the Equation of Time. One extra day in the calendar every four years (with century variations) is a simple correction for the fact that the year is approximately 365.25 days long, not 365 days. The Equation of Time is the description of a repeating annual phenomenon.

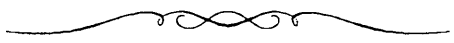
Sincerely,

**Excerpts from 9/22/96**

A few quotes from the Explanatory Supplement pages I sent you that you evidently ignored: "UT may for most purposes be regarded as mean solar time on the Greenwich meridian" p.5 "The difference between mean solar time and apparent solar time is called the equation of time." p.74 "During the late eighteenth and early nineteenth centuries, as clocks were improved and came into extensive use at sea, apparent time was gradually superseded in civil use by mean solar time." p.75

In summary (for the 5th or 6th time): the equation of time is only needed if you are converting a time originally in LAT from an uncorrected sundial. Introducing the equation of time in any calculations based on a civil clock time introduces, rather than correcting, an error.

Sincerely, Mark Pottenger (Thanks for the e-mail.)



**BARBARA MAY  
EUGENE, OR  
MARCH, 1999**

**Leo Sun Cap Moon Libra ASC**

Hi Edie:

Okay, don't faint or anything! I KNOW I promised to write you something last year & didn't. Email has grown in volume exponentially since we moved here!

The 100th "Edithion" of MH arrived late last week. Seems like just yesterday when I held a copy of MH in my hands for the first time. It was the April/May/June 1976 issue & I still have it, plus all since. You weren't even numbering MH then, so it must have been like #7 or #8? Wow. Am sending you a little something I hope will help keep MH afloat a while longer. Publications like MH are too valuable to lose! Nice to see the names of old friends in the Cast of Characters! How are ya? We're fine here in our new digs of the past two years. No rust to speak of yet, tho I keep checking my toes for signs of webbing. None yet! Oregon is really quite spectacular. After gardening in the desert for so long, I'm still amazed at how large everything that grows here can get in such a short period of time. Astrology is also alive & well here. It flourishes as well as the plants do. Haven't heard a coyote burp in a while, but the ducks, geese & birds are quite vocal and nice to hear.

Of course I have some comments. Don't I always?

Initially, I heard about when a Scorpio dies in a family another one is born into the family when I was a little girl. The source was non-astrological. My maternal grandmother (Scorpio Sun) died the day after my birthday in the Summer of 1940. A cousin was born on Grandma's birthday same year. The Scorpio comment from a Methodist minister at Grandma's funeral.

**ROBERTA STRAIN (100/11)** Pluto has been inside Neptune's orbit since 1979, not 1984. You mentioned this in relation to AIDS. I heard about AIDS in 1980. By 1981 friends had already died of it. Since Pluto's eccentric orbit carries it out of Neptune's orb this year, let's hope more significant advances are made in discovering how to combat this virus. Latest speculation suggests AIDS may have begun in Africa in 1940.

**JIM HAYNES (100/37)** Hi there! I was intrigued by the info on the Jupiter/Saturn conjunction in 7 B.C. What is your source on this? The reason I ask is because I've also heard the year 4 B.C. tossed around over the years as well. I can confirm the late Joyce Wehrman didn't believe

eclipses had any meaning in our lives. We had a lively discussion about this & finally agreed to disagree. I'd love to hear what you think of the Aug. 11, 1999 eclipse chart for Los Angeles. Is this an earthquake chart or what?

**DON BORKOWSKI (110/42)** re Bill Clinton's double stellium in Leo/Libra: I've been wondering lately what's going on in the lives on Clinton's astro twins and recall when I saw his chart for the 1st time thinking how unusual it was & how come I'd never run across that pairing before. I've got clients in my files close to, but nothing quite like the Clinton line-up. About the True vs. Mean Nodes. We've got to look at both of them. I started out using the True Nodes, then bought an ephemeris that just gave the Mean ones. Since the Nodes are so vital to past life work, I've always used both of them because the jury is still out as far as I'm concerned in this context. I quit counting at 4500 past life charts in 1982, so have a sizable sample now. What's consistent is the Vertex! Go figure. We've had this conversation before, but absolutely agree with you the Sag rising chart for the Declaration of Independence is pure garbage! Don, election 2000 takes place under another Jupiter/Saturn conjunction in an Earth sign. We should be watching who is elected VP, right? That is if Tecumseh's curse or that particular conjunction holds true for all presidential elections for the last 130 years. The only break in the Earth element was in 1980 when the conjunction was in Air. Close call, but Reagan survived the assassination attempt.

Y2K and You Dept: without divulging any sources, our concerns about power are quite real tho maybe not as devastating as some think. Most power companies in this country only get a percentage of their power locally & buy the rest from outside sources. Here in the US West, that would be like Hoover Dam, etc. The concern is that our national power grid is handled by a series of switches, which, if THOSE fail due to computer glitches, would cut off the remote supplies, leaving everyone relying upon local power supplies only. This means we'd all experience rolling blackouts. That is, power for certain periods we'd have no way of knowing about in advance. No idea how long this condition might last. Rather than panic, it seems prudent to build a supply of necessities that do not require refrigeration & address what to do about heat since the worst of it will be in the dead of Winter above the equator. Here in Oregon, sales of woods stoves are up. After living in Arizona for 25 years, in Tucson- the lightning

capitol of North America- I still keep a supply of emergency candles, canned goods, and re-supply the medicine cabinet just in case. A transistor radio run on batteries is checked regularly. Ditto a couple of flashlights. Having lived in southern California most of my life & having utilities cut after a quake, all of this is second nature to me. Resourcefulness wins out.

Thanks to **ED DEARBORN (100/60)** we now all know where to buy the best ephemeris for 2001 - 2050. Order yours soon! (Thanks for the e-mail. Edie)

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Sally Harrington  
Camano Island, WA  
March, 1999

Cancer Asc.. - Leo Sun - Libra Moon  
Hello Mercury Landers...

Life is never easy is it... We all have to have our experiences...the good, bad and ugly.

We can share our experiences with others. In the end we all walk in our own shoes on our own path.

I've been married twice...The difference in each relationship was the positions of the progressions and transits of course along with the sub rulership of the 9th house for the 2nd marriage... It comes down to the fact that the 7th house still describes any and all partners. One of my husbands took prescription drugs for a long standing illness. The other husband smoked pot & I never knew it. I knew nothing about any kind of drug. He also took the occasional pill.... speed or something or other that allowed him to work long hours. So both were dependent on drugs on and off... My 7th ruler is in Pisces opposite Neptune.

Saturn my 7th ruler caused a delay in my marriage. I was 31 when I married my first husband... He was only 9 months older than I. However my 2nd husband was 12 years older than I.. Saturn can be an age difference and or delay. Saturn is trine my Jupiter in the 4th...Both my first and 2nd husband and I purchased 2 acres and a custom built home in the country. The first home had a creek on the property (Scorpio Jupiter and Mars in 4th) & was close to a lake. The 2nd home that I reside in now is on a small Island. Both husbands had a son and daughter from a previous marriage. My first husband and I sold one of our 2 acres as my 2nd husband and I did.

Saturn is also sextile Uranus in the 10 and trine Mars co-ruler of my 10th. My first husband and I were involved in a business together.. It was

very successful for 6 years. My 2nd husband had retired early when we married. We half heartedly started a business that was not a success.. He really wanted to relax, travel etc. more than he wanted to work.

Husband #1 drove the largest 32 wheeler on the road... Husband #2 flew the largest cargo plane when in the Air Force during the 2nd World War. Both were only children. Both were loners. Saturn 7th ruler in Pisces.. Both loved to read. Both were extremely bright. Both had an IQ that was way above average. My first husband made more progress through additional training and tests taken than anyone in the history of the power company he'd gone to work for, a year after we married. This was announced at a union meeting. My 2nd husband and I saw a marriage therapist for a time. She said he passed the test she gave us higher than anyone she'd ever tested in 22 years including her own and she was a Ph.D.

Both had been married 4 times. I was the 2nd wife of my first husband and the 4th wife of my 2nd husband. Both had difficult relationships with their mother and grew up in a broken home. #1 was close to his grandparents. #2 was close to his Dad. Both had an excellent income, #1 from work and #2 from his pensions.

It's unreal when you look at all the similarities. There were also some differences. The first one had Pisces Asc. with Sun conjunct Venus trine his Asc. He was gentle, kind, sensitive and very giving. The 2nd was the opposite. He was a control freak, Saturn in his 10th square his Mars Pluto conjunction. Moon in Virgo and he was critical, picky and nothing was ever right for the most part. #1 was very supportive and complimentary toward me. I met #1 with t Jupiter on my Asc. with t Saturn on the MC trine Pluto in my ASc. t Uranus and t Pluto were conjunct my Venus & sextile to my Asc. Prog. Sun was sextile Jupiter. I met #2 with t Saturn, 7th ruler and co-ruler of the 8th, placed in the 9th square Sun & conjunct Jupiter in Scorpio in the 4th (natally trine) so there was the gain of a home and pensions but also the negativity of the Saturn square my Sun when we met. In addition, t Pluto had just started through my tsquare when I met and married #2. It took 6 years to pass through the tsquare. I was extremely happy in my first marriage and exactly the opposite in the 2nd.

Life is interesting along with the lessons it teaches us. I'm ready for some easy lessons at this age.

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**David Dozier**  
**San Antonio, TX**  
**April, 1999**

The use of geocentric latitude instead of geographic latitude is not a new concept. **Robert Hand** stated many years ago in Planets in Composite, "I use geocentric latitude instead of geographic latitude. This distinction is described in several text books, and I refer the reader to them of more information."

In case you missed it--in MH 100/13-14, an extreme example of change in Ascendant (Cancer to Gemini) was shown using the birth chart of Noel Tyl. Three tables of houses were cited, giving instructions for finding geocentric ascendant latitude. Many astrologers are not aware that the manuals they receive with their high priced programs give instructions on how to do this. With Blue\*Star and WinStar (Matrix) you do this by using the options choice. With Nova (Astrolabe) one puts in the latitude, hits the "G" key to get the geocentric latitude.

For SolarFire, one turns in the manual to the options and preferences section for finding geocentric latitude.

**Ed Dearborn** gives his answer to the question put forth in the MH article: "I assume the geocentric advocates are using the "center of the earth" as their focal point rather than its surface. I can see the merit of the consideration for helio charts done with geocentric latitude using Koch or any other house system. If one uses other than Aries 0 degree ascendant, Equal House type chart, it may have merit."

**Anne Lathrop** in MH 100/41 gives a nice review of **Robert Blaschke's** new book -- Astrology, Language of Life, Vol. 1

In a letter to Blaschke prior to the issuance of his book I had asked him if he used geocentric latitude. His reply was - "In my practice, I use geocentric latitude for natal or progressed ascendant calculations. In my personal birthchart the difference is only one minute of arc difference in my natal ascendant, but this is still enough to alter the date of the secondary progressed ascendant, moving into a partile aspect or changing signs in several days. I would refer you to chapter six of my book." A footnote at the end of chapter six reads; "I recommend using geocentric, instead of geographic, latitudes for natal and progressed calculations. You will find

this option in your astrology software atlas preferences."

In the summer 1993 issue of "Aspects" Quarterly Magazine, **Alex Miller-Mignone**, Executive Director of The Philadelphia Astrological Society in an article on "Essential Patterns" (p. 21), writing about what he calls the Mirror Configuration says -- "A commonly overlooked essential pattern is the mirror configuration formed by any three planets or sensitive points, there the first two are in aspect and the third sits on their far midpoint. It is Yod shaped - the two grounding planets forming mirror images of the plane of the apex planet, which describes the mirror's face. One of the more common of these, which is often very active and deserve serious consideration, is formed by two planets in square to each other, each then sesquiquadrate to a third."

Nothing new here - at the "S.T.A.R.S." meetings **Dozier** has been expounding on this powerful configuration for several years. He calls it the super-yod in contrast to the common yod. The reason for calling it "super" is very simple. A yod is made up of the soft aspects (1-60 degrees and 2-150 degrees). A "super" yod is made up of hard aspects (1-90 degrees and 2-135 degrees). In his articles on "Quantum Astrology" in *Aspects Magazine* **Rick Levine** writes about a third yod which he calls the quintile yod made up of 2 quintiles connected by a bi-quintile. He rates this yod as every bit as strong as a T-square!

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**John Kalus**  
**Cleveland, OH**  
**March, 1999**

**Edie**, I'm enclosing some money to help defray the cost of MH, but it's probably not enough, since I had earlier also paid for a foreign subscription for which the postage is double. But I'll enclose some more to help cover the 102nd issue, hopefully there will be one. I enjoy reading the MH and reading the opinions of others about astrology and how astrology relates to their private lives. And I find it therapeutic and relaxing to occasionally write, as I prefer the written word to the artificiality of the computer.

**Lela Chavellier-Powell** (100/2) Your explanation of retrograde Mercury in the US

Declaration of Independence was the best I ever read.

**T. Patrick Davis** (94/53) Likewise your comments on Moon in Capricorn, the best I ever read. However, extreme Moon in Capricorn traits seem to apply only to men, not women. It pains me that you and **L. Chavellier-Powell** took it so personally. I did not mean for anyone, especially women, to take it personally. This is plainly a case of where the same aspect (Moon in Capricorn) acts differently in men than it does in women. Much less harshly and more rationally, in women.

**Ed Dearborn** (100/5) You write: "How about requiring certified and holders of 4 year college degrees, or certification plus Ph.D./MD to membership?" in an astrology group. **Ed**, I think you are joking. I think certification would only cause more people to consider astrology a sham, so long as astrologers can not seem to do the "simple" things that non-astrologers think astrologers should be able to do. Such as, for instance, predicting who might be elected Senator or President, or who might win a tennis contest.

During the 1996 Presidential election both **Noel Tyl** and **Rob Hand** (each a college grad and the author of numerous astrology books and articles) picked Bob Dole to be the winner over Bill Clinton. To paraphrase from **T. Patrick Davis's** letter (100/32) the famous James J. Thurber cartoon where a lady declares "More proof will never convince me". As "corny" as making predictions may seem to some astrologers, it's what the public expects of an astrologer, at least some occasionally accurate predictions of events in the making.

**Don Borkowski** (100/43) Some astrologers think that Hillary Clinton's birth time is 8:00 AM, CST, which would give her a Scorpio Asc. and according to them account for her precociousness since childhood. Whereas an 8:00 PM, CST, birth time, provides a 29° Gemini Asc., and they think doesn't fit her. Not necessarily the case. Both Teddy Roosevelt and Gen. George Patton were Scorpions with Gemini rising. Mark Twain, a very sane and rational person, once interviewed Teddy Roosevelt, and came away with the impression that Teddy Roosevelt was "militarily crazy" or words to that effect. And if you watch the film *Patton* you may conclude the same about Patton.

Inconjunct Sun and Asc. combinations sometimes seem to be stressful aspects. The question is: is Hillary's personality related to a Gemini Asc., or is it the more placid and self-

assured personality she would manifest if she had a Scorpio Asc.?

**Jane Statlander** (97/59) You ask: "Do all those killed in large scale catastrophes or the Holocaust somehow have a linked chart?" From the standpoint that astrology has some meaning and credibility I would like to believe that victims of catastrophes have a linked chart. Too often it doesn't seem possible to find a link, credibly. Edward Johndro tried to answer this question, too, and maybe he thought he had the answer. In his book *THE STARS*, page 41, he tries to show that John J. Astor, a multi-millionaire, went down with the TITANIC because star No. 262 circled in the latitude of the sinking. But Mrs. John J. Astor was saved from the wreckage. I think **Ed**, Johndro would need to have shown how each of the 1500 plus drownings were affected by some star or stars, and that would be impossible to show because of lost and incomplete birth records. Sometimes I wonder if in the total cosmos a person isn't less than insignificant. But the "insignificant" part doesn't matter. It is the striving that matters, to triumph over this apparent cosmic indifference.

**Winnifred A. Kemp** (98/24) You are right. Doctors are prone to ask hypertensive and or heart patients to cut down on their salt intake. So I try to keep salt intake down to 1500 mgs or less per day, and to increase potassium intake to 4500 or 5000 mgs per day (via fruit and vegetable intake). This is the same salt/potassium ration milk has. I am not sure what the other 10 salts you speak of do for one's health.

**Jim Haynes** (100/37) Like the Astro-Logic, I am certain ASTRON also has chips available that do not lose their memory while the battery is being charged.

**Defiance Gregg** (98/44) Your predictions about nothing much coming of the accusations against Clinton were right on. What with his Taurus Moon (Reagan had a Taurus Moon) and an amiable Libra Asc. Something about the stability of a Taurus Moon seems to appeal to the average voter. And of course a Libra Asc. is almost always easy to take.

**Byron Wahl** (99/11) You said you were somewhat alarmed about your health as Dec. '98 approached. Now that Dec. '98 has come and gone, how are things.?





**ROWENA WALL  
WARNER ROBINS, GA  
APRIL, 1999**

### **GOD'S BILLBOARDS**

Some new billboards are getting some attention in Dallas. Here's a list of all variations of the "God Speaks" billboards. The billboards are a simple black background with white text. No fine print or sponsoring organization is included. These are awesome. Enjoy. ✂

- Let's meet at my house Sunday before the game. - God
- C'mon over and bring the kids. - God
- What part of "Thou Shalt Not..." didn't you understand? - God
- We need to talk. - God
- Keep using my name in vain, I'll make rush hour longer. - God
- Loved the wedding, invite me to the marriage. - God
- That "Love Thy Neighbor" thing... I meant it. - God
- I love you and your and you and you and.... - God
- Will the road you're on get you to my place? - God
- Follow me. - God
- Big bang theory, you've got to be kidding. - God
- My way is the highway. - God
- Need directions? - God
- You think it's hot here? - God
- Have you read my #1 best seller? There will be a test. - God
- Do you have any idea where you're going? - God
- And my personal favorite.... Don't make me come down there. - God

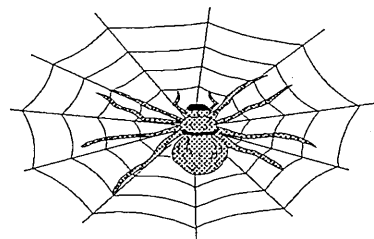
**CHRISTINE KERBSTAT  
JULIAN CA  
MARCH, 1999**

Your subscription request came at exactly the right time. I am once again at an introspective point in my life and finding that my lifelong interest in astrology has been reactivated by requests from others for chart readings.

I have long held to the policy of not seeking the work but never turning it down when requested. Working full-time at consuming jobs has limited my free time in the past but I have always felt there was a reason when a particular person sought my services and not someone else's. If at all possible, I never say no. I prefer to charge a moderate fee that always seems to be consumed back into classes, tapes, books, etc. but if I sense that even that would be a hardship, I read for free. My first teacher, **Isabel Hickey**, always felt that some charts should just be given as gifts.

Curiously, although I have an intense interest in astrology, I hardly pay attention to it in my own life. Part of this is because my chart never seems to have easy periods and I just don't want to know what might be coming at me next. In the middle of chaos is when I check out the progressions and aspects, to get a clue as to what to try to learn or when it might let up. Does anyone else have this approach to their own chart?

Well, whatever. I am looking forward to receiving *The Mercury Hour* once again!



**CAMMILLE ADAMS  
BOWIE, MD  
MARCH, 1999**

Just a thought, when planets like Saturn, Neptune, Uranus, Pluto meet the South Node, and a lot of Mundane matters are happening, such as this "war" I am curious.

Looking ahead to when Uranus South Node will be exact 16Aqu46, I also find we have a New Moon 24 Taurus 14. So I pulled up the Sabian Symbol (Solar Spark) and here is what I got: 16 Aqu...A watchdog Stands Guard.

Have been "indisposed" bitten by a spider, a brown Recluse, on the heel GRRRRRRR it can make one sick, getting life back in the foot....Oh and the chart for that was interesting. Good grief I forgot to put the date...May 15th. (Thanks for the e-mail)

**Cheryl Niggle  
Honolulu, HI  
April, 1999**

Aloha Edie and all:

Joan Depczynski (99/36). You gave us some interesting insights on OOB planets. When I looked at my chart, I found both Mars and Pluto OOB. I guess I had forgotten that over the years. You said that OOB Mars could be surgery or career possibilities? I have had relatively little surgery (luckily) in my life. When I was in grade school, I wanted to be a veterinarian but my guidance counselor in those days said that was not a profession for a young lady. He was not a visionary. Most vet school graduates now are women.

Actually, though, he probably did me a favor because performing surgery would have been hard for me. I couldn't even dissect the frog in high school Biology. My lab partner did the dirty work and shared the credit with me. I have, on the other hand, always had quite a few good career possibilities, which I attributed to my 6th house Jupiter in Leo. Perhaps the OOB Mars played a role in this, too? What should I make of the OOB Pluto? I'd welcome a referral on a book, as well as a source, astrological and metaphysical books are hard to come by here, believe it or not. We have one new age bookstore on the island and it is going down the tubes fast. They have not ordered new merchandise or even placed special orders since August of 1998 and is just limping along in selling off what little they have in stock. There are Barnes & Noble and Borders, but they don't carry as many titles as I'd like.

Joseph Silveira deMello (100/17) One of my teachers told me that when one Scorpio dies, another is born, too. I don't know the validity of that thought, though. I have only two cases to quote. My mother, a Scorpio, died in 1988 and there have been no births in our family since, including the first cousin branches. My dear friend, Kitty, died last October, just before her birthday, and I haven't heard of any births in her or her late husband's families. Do you think, if it holds true, that it has to be confined to a specific family group, or can the rebirth stretch itself to distant relatives or close friends' group?

Sonja Foxe (100/18). Congratulations on being elected to the faculty at Lily Dale. My late Aunt and my cousin used to frequent Lily Dale and had some great and memorable times there.

They loved it and went up from Cleveland several times each summer. When they discovered it, I was already living in Hawaii, so I didn't get to accompany them when they went up. The one summer I was in Cleveland, we planned a trip up there, only to find out that we would miss the "season" by three days. I couldn't extend my trip due to work considerations, so they ended up going alone the next weekend. My Aunt died in 1987 and my cousin has not gone since for lack of anyone to accompany her.

Aloha, Cheryl

**Rita Friedman  
No. Miami Beach, FL  
April, 1999**

Dear Edie,

I read what you wrote on page 1 of the 100th Edition with deep sadness. Mercury Hour is an institution and I hope it can be saved, but you shouldn't have to put so much money into each issue in order to keep it afloat. Maybe there's a Guardian Angel out there somewhere who will save the day. If the unimaginable happens, and MH ceases to be in magazine form, perhaps it will find a new home on the Internet. Our beloved MH is much too valuable a resource to just fade away like an old soldier.

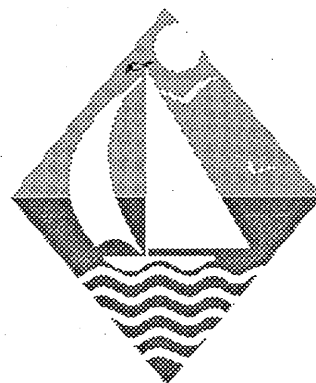
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On one of the astrology onelists, someone wrote they had the birthdays for the 2 boys involved. I haven't even peeked in the ephemeris yet - too sleepy tonight.

Here are the dates as received:

Eric Harris - 4/9/81 (Aries - sort of fitting)

Dylan Klebold - 9/11/81 (but Virgo???????)



**DEFIANCE GREGG  
SEASIDE, OR  
MARCH, 1999**

**HELPFUL HINTS FOR MERCURY HOUR**

Mercury Retrograde, Mercury Retrograde,  
Mercury Retrograde!

From someone in American Astrology I read, the Equinox is called International Astrology Day for the last six years. Started by some organization called, "AFAN" which is said to be Association for Astrological Networking. MERCURY HOUR needs to get in on the act. Edie (100/1) Mercury Hour's issue was one that will be a treasure long after all of us are gone. As seen on pg. 44 of MH. Don't part with old copies until they pay for themselves as a collector's item. As a retired Newspaper Circulation Promotions Services to Publishers, who are in the same boat of high cost, and not enough subscribers, I am presenting my credentials so you have a little faith in my suggestions as thought of by the article from Ed Dearborn (100/5). When the tide is running against you, sometimes the only way to make it is swimming with the tide until it turns. It may take you too far afield to survive, but it is worth trying. With one issue MH's 100th has brought together Astrologers from all over US plus GUY de PENGUERN, of France, JANICE GILES of Chez Republic, ISAAC STARKMAN of Israel, DAVID MEADOWS of Germany, DOROTHY J. SARKA of Canada and YOU EDIE. NO ONE CAN POINT TO ANOTHER MAGAZINE ISSUE THAT IS SO GREAT UNLESS IT IS AN OLD ISSUE OF MERCURY HOUR. Subscription hikes often loses subscribers rather than gain them. WHAT ABOUT A COMBINATION=MERCURY HOUR THE ASTROLOGICAL MAGAZINE AND CLUB FOR ASTROLOGERS for the small price of \$. The Club can offer our PLANETARIAN GAZETTE as an incentive to all who subscribe. It can be the most inclusive club for new Astrologers and Professionals and Aspiring Astrologers that ever came down the pike. I offer this suggestion. Get out all your old list of old dropout subscribers and tell them what is going on and personally invite them back home while we celebrate the International Astrology Day. It will take just a few stamps..or many, but worth the effort. That way you will know which dropout is still living out there in the world of reality. God Bless you all for helping make MERCURY HOUR our top priority in 1999.

I can't e-mail to our subscribers, but can you put this in the 101st issue. My subscription is

on its way. (Thanks for the e-mail and your renewal. Edie)

(I am doing all I can do here under the circumstances. I've already sent out requests to all of our old subscribers and haven't received much of a response. We will continue to print as long as folks write and renew.

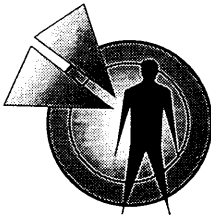
"AFAN" has been around for quite a while now. They help with legal issues for astrologers among many other things. They are also one of the three organizations involved with past UAC's. It is a good organization working for the good of astrologers everywhere.

All I can say is we will keep trying. we have cut back on the amount printed to only a few over what we need for the subscribers. Several renewed too late and the April edition was sold out. We will restart them with the July edition.

Please folks, get your renewals in early.  
Thanks! Edie)

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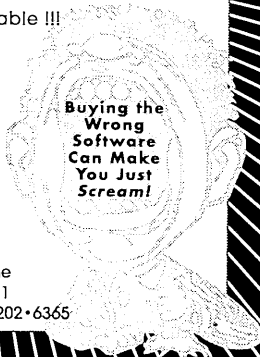
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**Jane Statlander**  
**Tel Aviv, Israel**  
**April, 1999**  
☉ ♀ Asc ♈ Mc ☿

Re: Roberta Strain: It was very interesting reading about the orbit of Pluto and its intersection with Neptune's orbit and AIDS.

Re: Sally Harrington: Thanks for your very interesting astrological biography. I'd like to correspond with you by e-mail. Mine is jane@tcb.ac.il

Re: Guy de Penguern: What you say about the moment of birth is very interesting. Of my twin sons, one was born in the house on January 1, 1974 (like the other one!). I say "born" but, without medical help, Joshua lay on my stomach for about 33 minutes before the umbilical cord was cut by the ambulance squad. He entered the world at 8:56 AM and the cord was severed 33 minutes later.

Regarding your statement: "...everyone has a certain amount of free will according to our birth chart." I'd like to qualify this by saying that people have more than "a certain amount" of free will. It's true that every person is born with certain genetic predispositions towards, for example, Cancer, etc.; but the individual's COGNITIVE CHOICES can obliterate any possible negative, or positive, outcome of those predispositions. Impacting on the life of an individual is also his/her karmic influences from other lifetimes. In any event--be it "genetic", karmic, or whatever--every human being determines his/her "fate" by the choices that individual makes in a lifetime. Thus, someone, for example, with a genetic predisposition to heart problems should be wary of stress, junk food and a lack of adequate exercise. Every human being, NO MATTER WHAT BIRTHCHART has free will and the potential for self control--the decision is purely cognitive. Even on the very most subtle level of (even precognitive) awareness, decisions are made all the time. It's not a mechanical universe filled with robotic human beings. Ultimately, each one of us is responsible for the events that occur to us. Even if things seem to happen undirected "from the blue", a decision had to have been made by that person (maybe in another body) in another lifetime, which we have to work hard, or to thank "good luck" for in this lifetime to reverse or continue. Mechanistic thinking/philosophy is a thing of the past. It belongs to an age that viewed things simplistically and based all human events

on a DETERMINED universe. We have to understand that the human mind/cognition can move mountains! (Thanks for the e-mail)

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**WINNIFRED A. KEMP**  
**WEST VANCOUVER B.C.**  
**CANADA**

**MARCH 8, 1999**

Since February 26th I have eaten  
Enough crow to cause black  
feathers to begin sprouting.

My 'death chart' set up according to **TODD COLLARD's** formula didn't produce the expected demise. Instead I was going through a battery of tests, one of which was an ECG that seemed important enough for the lab technician to call my doctor and then give it to me in a sealed envelope with instructions to take it to the doctor immediately. I thought, "Aha, it's working after all." But the doctor just faxed it to his 'favorite cardiologist' in Vancouver, who didn't get a report to us until Monday, when I was called in and told my heart is anemic--it is not getting enough blood. So I was booked with an Internist at the hospital the next day, who went over me and walked me up and down the corridor, and told me not to pay attention to 'this tracing' (cardiogram), changed the amount of heart medication, prescribed an anti-depressant and cheerfully dismissed me, after advising me not to walk up the three blocks my apartment is from the main street, Marine drive. He thought I could get a streetcar. Preposterous! I am still slugging my way up, huffing and puffing and oozing perspiration. But it all subsides in a few minutes of rest when I get home.

However, I am not renewing because I still think I won't live much longer--although I cannot see a thing in my chart to indicate it. Perhaps that is as well, because the February 26th chart was peppered with aspects that don't seem to have affected me at all.

As for ☿ giving my ☉ an urgent message on February 16th when the eclipse was on my 8th house cusp, he either whispered so low I couldn't hear or he told the ☉ it was all a mistake that I would die in ten days.

So much for ability to predict. Cheers.

**MARCH 27, 1999**

I decided if I am to continue living it should not be without **Mercury Hour** so here is my renewal.

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# Helio Ephemeris

## July 1, 1999 - September 30, 1999

| GMT + 0:00<br>Tropical<br>Helio Long | The Earth<br>⊕ | Mercury<br>☿ | Venus<br>♀  | Mars<br>♂   | Jupiter<br>♃ | Saturn<br>♄ | Uranus<br>♅ | Neptune<br>♆ | Pluto<br>♇  | Chiron<br>♁ |
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| Jul 1 1999                           | 08° 13' 45"    | 19° 11' 48"  | 07° 10' 06" | 08° 10' 06" | 19° 11' 24"  | 09° 08' 04" | 14° 11' 24" | 02° 11' 49"  | 09° 11' 19" | 02° 11' 13" |
| Jul 3 1999                           | 10° 13' 39"    | 25° 11' 32"  | 10° 11' 16" | 09° 11' 10" | 19° 11' 35"  | 09° 08' 08" | 14° 11' 25" | 02° 11' 50"  | 09° 11' 20" | 02° 11' 17" |
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JOSEPH SILVEIRA deMELLO  
SAN FRANCISCO, CA  
MARCH, 1999

Dear Old 101

No sooner did I have my other letter in the envelope than I remembered I had forgot to address **ALTHA MANNIX (100/44)**. Don't ask me why, it must be a male thing, but a father is always very proud of his first born and always remembers the time of birth. My father did, he said it was a few minutes after six, and when I got it rectified, it sure was, and it works on the button. So I would go with your father's Bible listing which may also have been entered after the fact, in which case your aunts are probably reliable, so I would do a chart for the outside time of 6:10 A.M. Then try diurnals for significant dates, and if they consistently give you at least two placements of any combination of natal or diurnals (transits) on the diurnal angles, you've got the right chart.

I am glad **JANICE GILES (100/22)** is back with **MH**. I was amused that so many smokers are  $\Pi \odot$  people, as I am, meaning I should stop this effort to quit smoking. I wish my recent spinal X-rays were as good as my chest X-rays. My doctor can hardly believe I once smoked four packs a day (I'm down to one a day). I wish people would realize how they tolerate smoking or being where others smoke is a personal thing, that it may be very dangerous to some, not to others. The attitude toward smoking is more idiotic than it is hypocritical. Those against are not adding the factors of their daily living and coming up with correct answers. How many of them wear breathing masks when they venture out on the streets. Had a beauty here in late March, a dorm at SF State was finally demolished by dynamite. Thousands of people showed up for the great event, some of them wearing nose masks. The dorm, damaged in the '89 quake, was finally deemed unsafe some three years later, and has since been unoccupied. Only now is it getting replaced by a new dorm. We have a club where jazz is played. Jazz and smoke filled rooms are practically synonymous, but we have a no-smoking law in place. The fire department mandates that ashtrays be in place even if there is no smoking. The no-smoking forces think the presence of ashtrays is conducive to smoking. Forces came in and the first person they approached was an old-timer who has never smoked, but there was an ashtray in front of him. They could hardly be convinced. Too much! Of course the price of tobacco has gone up, but years ago, cigarettes in

Canada cost three times what they cost in the USA and the price had nothing to do with differences in the monetary exchange. And then the worse of all this furor is that the tax money from the price increase seems to go through some crack in the floor somewhere. Like money from the State Lottery going to educational institutions. No accounting is made, and schools are constantly complaining of underfunding. As I see it, any mention in schools of anti-smoking education must contain a great deal of incentive for kids to try it. If it's banned, it must be good. Who can possibly and reasonably think that raising the price of anything is going to stop anyone who wants to smoke. Don't these people deal with human nature?

**SALLY MART (100/23)** If I have learned anything from astrology it is that these few planets with which we work all operate differently for all of us. I had a very nice consult with a client recently, a lady so in tune with her chart that she always manages to do the very thing demanded of her by her chart. Is that a good way to put it? Then she comes to check with me if it was indeed so. We compare the dates of events with the charts of the event and her basic natal, and there it is. How different from the client who comes for a reading and lets the astrologer get a word in, but just one word every ten minutes. More than once I have had to stop the flow and ask the client which of us is supposed to be giving the reading. Sure, I know myself better than I did before I studied astrology, and I feel I could still have profited from it more. Recently  $\mathcal{P}$  got to my Descendant,  $\mathcal{H}$  got to my  $\mathcal{M}_c$ , and both will go  $\mathcal{R}_x$  and whistle back over those angles. In the meantime  $\mathcal{Q}$  went  $\mathcal{R}_x$  on natal  $\mathcal{H}$ ,  $\mathcal{S}$  went  $\mathcal{R}_x$  on natal  $\odot$ , and I am feeling better than I have in a year. If nothing happened the first time of passage, should I expect anything to happen in subsequent touches. **CHANEY**, of whom much was written in 100, felt that his chart was much to complex for anyone else to interpret it correctly. Yet this chart was very apropos to his life events. Mine is a nightmare of aspects, difficult aspects mitigated by easy ones so that I am constantly this-and-thating when I look at it. But there is no study like astrology.

**MARK HOLMES (100/25)** I got introduced to the big four asteroids years ago, and more recently **HAYA MURRAY** has got me interested in all the others. I hesitate to make comment, but I do think it may be a mistake to try to assign these signs rulerships. I am sure you will find out everyone else will have their own favorite

attributions dependent on how those same asteroids function for them. I have always dismissed the big four as they seemed to have no application to my chart or life along the lines of what others were writing about them. But when someone writes of asteroids, I can see what a great case they present for them and had to resolve them some more, like when I get "a round tuit" which is to say that may never happen. So, a word of caution, the fight will be uphill or meet with massive lack of opinion either way. Which is not to say you shouldn't. I love it when Haya writes to **JIM HAYNES** right across the page, and remind myself that if I am living in America it's right for me simply from being II Asc.

**JANICE VAN SCHUYLER (100/29)** Great to hear from you. Your very first lines gave me pause. How many sex offenders on your list are women? No, I don't want the list, too busy to look at data without all the data. Too bad such a list lacks this. But 700 in a county either speaks for very efficient police, too many complaints, too vigilant a society. Now with such publicity, will all those people get up and move away? or have to stay until their probationary periods are completed? Will Bill Clinton get listed if he goes your way, or will dear Monica get listed? Oh, I forgot, she's a victim.

**VIRGINIA REYER (100/32)** Great letter. Hope I keep remembering where that list was printed when I need to reference it. Many thanks.

**MARION MARCH (100/33)** Surely there is a way to send e-mail with bold or italics or underlining as I get it from really smart computer types all the time. Never tried to print it out. Maybe that's the translation where they get lost. Remember being told that the use of Caps is like shouting and not good computer etiquette. One friend even emphasizes words by writing them in another color. As for a united astrological community, human nature is against it, any minute even someone with whom we usually agree will be writing arrant nonsense and any of us may feel a need to respond accordingly. You practically never hear a doctor criticize another, but with astrologers this is seldom the case, and we can generate lots of differences among ourselves.

**TODD COLLARD (100/35)** Nice way of putting that leap year thing. Imagine having the clout and luxury of Pope Gregory to decree and afford to drop ten days and throw all astrologers into a tizzy in dealing in old and new style dates and when accepted.

**JOE TYSON (100/38)** Now there's a fine quick reference list everybody ought to Xerox and

keep handy. You could have started with age 15 and ♄ opposite natal place as that fine age when a lot of juveniles dare to see how far they can go and wind up in Juvenile Hall. The only thing I would do is fill in all the times ♄ ☐'s, opposes and returns to its natal position. But I'm sure you got us thinking about it, and that's great.

**ALTHA MANNIX & EDITH CUSTER (100/44)** I like the idea of having the renewal date on the envelope with the addressee just like most other magazines, not that I dislike the first page notice. But this label notice is much more concise.

**ANNE LATHROP (100/47)** I find it amusing that Morrison was interested in Chaney as they were two peas in a pod as types, curmudgeons both, and they said so. I thought I had Jondro's book, but if I do, it isn't with my other astrology books. Drat! Anyway, end of page, and a good time to put a sock in it for now.

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**MARY SCHNEIDER**  
**DENVER, CO**  
**MARCH, 1999**

Dearest Edie,

I don't think the problem Wednesday night was with the chat room, more that it was AOL because after I got thrown out of your room it was impossible to get in anywhere else.

Mercury Retrograde Story: Last night when I was getting ready for bed, I turned on FOX NEWS to see what was going on with the WAR. O'Reilley was just coming on and he was rattled. Announcement from his own mouth: Ladies and Gentlemen, our whole computer system has crashed. This is live, unedited and there are no tele-prompters. I looked at my clock and it was exactly the time when Mercury turned from RX to Direct. Approximately 4:20 a.m. EST - 2:20 a.m. here.

Milosevic's year is 1941 and the controversy rages on - Leo? Virgo? Me thinks that somewhere there is a typographical error - 9 and 0 are right next to each other - but which way does it go?

(Taeger lists (Milosevic gave it to an astrologer) Milosevic - 8/20/1941, 22 hrs PM MET = 21:00 GMT, Pozarevoc, Serbia, 44N37 21E11. Asc. - 27° Taurus 56', MC - 8° Pisces 48', Sun - 27° Leo 25', Moon - 3° Leo 41'. I could be wrong. Edie.) (Thanks for the e-mail)

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## ROBERT BLASCHKE

To: Edith Custer  
Mercury Hour

I have written and published a new book, Astrology: A Language of Life; Volume I - Progressions. There was a book excerpt article in the Dec/Jan edition of The Mountain Astrologer magazine, and I wanted to write you and ask if I may send you a review copy for Mercury Hour. Below, please find an excerpt from the foreword by Robert Hand, as well as a summary of the book content and author bio. Thank you for your time and interest.

From the Foreword by Robert Hand:

"This book on progressions is quite accessible to astrological readers of many levels, but it is not a beginner's book. It does not just give the basics of progressions. It goes beyond that to provide a practical and theoretical foundation for integrating the various methods of progressions into a single body of method...Blaschke's theory is that these three types of progression derive their usefulness from the following relationships. Secondaries are the result of the interaction of the Earth and the Sun (day and year) which in turn correlate to Matter and Spirit. Tertiaries are the result of the interaction of the Earth and the Moon (day and month) which correlate to Matter and Soul. And finally minors are the result of the interaction of the Moon and the Sun (month and year) which correlate to Soul and Spirit...This is technically a very rich book and one which teaches a definite method which would not be difficult to apply in practice...this book should advance the study of progressions in astrology on both the practical and theoretical level and for this we owe Robert Blaschke a vote of thanks."

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**JIM HAYNES (100/37)** The Star of Bethlehem idea grew out of the idea of the three ♂ of ♈ and ♉ in B.C. The Urantia Book explains, "Upon the basis of these extraordinary but wholly natural events the well-meaning zealots of the succeeding generation constructed the appealing legend of the Star of Bethlehem and the adoring Magi led thereby to the manger, where they beheld and worshipped the newborn babe. Oriental and near-oriental minds delight in fairy stories, and the continually spinning such beautiful myths about the lives of their religious leaders and political heroes. In the absence of printing, when most human knowledge was passed by word of mouth from one generation to another, it was very easy for myths to become traditions and for traditions to eventually become accepted as facts."

The Urantia Book has revealed that Jesus was born at noon August 21, 7 B.C. at Bethlehem. I have written three books that confirm that idea. ♈ and ♉ were then about 1° apart and below the horizon. Jesus' ☉ in ♏ at the ♌ would explain why he was a teacher. His main idea was about the kingdom of heaven, which is very ♏ like.

**JANICE GILES (100/51)** I would say there is a slight astrological code in St. John's Revelation. It is the seven Greek cities that can be related to the zodiac after being divided into seven parts starting at zero ♈. This idea I explain in my book *Spiritual Symbols of the Astrology of the Soul*. These seven Greek cities can be related to the chakras.

Generally I would say Revelation is an attempt to explain the long planetary mortal epochs. Many of the fearful ideas were about prehistory and so can be disregarded. I studied it after receiving the revelation that the Judgment Day happened September 8, 1958. Since then we have been living on a higher spiritual level. Our ideas of New Age confirms that fact. I have written a book, *This New World; Birth: Sept. 8, 1958*; that gives facts that there was a major change in our world in the fall of 1958.

The Urantia Book explains about seven planetary mortal epochs. Each one ends with a Judgment Day. The previous Judgment Day was when Jesus died. These seven planetary mortal epochs can be related to the zodiac. I say we are now living on the fourth planetary mortal epoch, which from an astrology viewpoint has the

character of the span from 4° of ♈ to 26° of ♏. this can also be related to colors of the spectrum. The fourth color is green, which is a good description of our times. Environment is ♈ issues, while women rights is ♏.

A few of the really popular people in the entertainment field have been born within a month of the Judgment Day of September 8, 1958; such as Madonna. This is because they typify the energies of this New Age. Many people have confused the New Age Movement with the Age of Aquarius. They are two different ideas as we consider the New Age Movement as relating to the color green, while the Age of Aquarius would relate to the color violet.

**T. PATRICK DAVIS (100/31)** The lady that says mere proof will never convince me of astrology may be justified in that if we consider mere proof as statistical probabilities. Rare events occasionally do happen. I remember reading that O.J. Simpson had 23 straight winnings at a crap table in Las Vegas.

Edward Dewey in *Cycles* writes, "They maintain that a fact without a theory to explain it, especially if it doesn't fit into the ordinary concepts of how things ought to behave, is merely a disturbing something to be ignored and, if possible, forgotten."

"I do not mean to imply that my friends discount or decry statistical proof. They mean that all the statistical proof in the world, by itself, without some sort of theory or explanation, will not create the stir necessary to initiate full scientific participation in the study of cycles. A mere fact, by itself, makes no impact on the scientific community, especially if it runs counter to accepted ways of thinking."

R. Tomaschek wrote in July 18, 1959 Nature that ♈ was within an hour of ♌ or Nadir in 15 of 23 major earthquakes with the probability of .0001. A statistician replied that the data came from 143 earthquakes and if you consider all ten planets instead of only ♈ then the probability would be much less. It would only be significant at about one percent level. "In the absence of any theory to account for the supposed association" we can disregard the test.

That is the weakness of astrology tests in that there isn't any theory to say where in the person is located the horoscope chart pattern. I would say we need to postulate the reality of mind to explain astrology. My tests in *Universal Mind* postulate the reality of the Spirit of Truth as it influences our mind and the pattern of our writings.

To start convince people we need to have tests duplicated by others. Who has duplicated the Gauquelin or the John Henry Nelson results?

There is also the problem of convincing the people that control attitudes of what are acceptable ideas, mainly the universities. We don't even have college classes in 101 astrology. If we assume that the horoscope pattern is a part of mind and that mind learns by experience, then the horoscope in time will be overcome by mind as it learns through experience. I assume that mind is teachable. Does that say that as we grow older that astrology is less important?

Then again my research about the Spirit of Truth shows that as we grow older then spirit becomes more active, which squeezes out mind and our horoscope as important parts of our life. Then again our genetic pattern, which I assume to be a part of our physical nature - the pattern of molecules in our DNA - stays the same throughout our life. Then it would seem we should concentrate on understanding genetics. Does genetics connect with the time of conception? It seems we have to come up with a lot of theoretical aspects about astrology.

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**MARK POTTENGER**  
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**MARCH, 1999**

Article Mark sent from Sag 1986  
"Mutable Dilemma"  
DO YOU MEAN APPARENT?

Are you missing something that should be apparent? We have recently had brought to our attention (largely because of the efforts of Arthur Blackwell) the need to use apparent (rather than mean) time for many charts before the 20th century. It is easy to assume that any chart from before the introduction of time zones should be in Local Mean Time (LMT). After all, that is what the time change books imply. As Arthur Blackwell has been saying for some time (long enough to finally penetrate), LMT itself was only in use for about a century before time zones. Before LMT, LAT (Local Apparent Time) was the dominant form of timekeeping. LAT (or sundial time) truly keeps time by the sun, with all its unevenness of motion during the year. Which is what? Local Apparent Time is what you would read from an accurate sundial. It is noon when the sun is at its upper crossing of the meridian. Some days are longer than others (we all knew that anyway--especially about Mondays). Local Mean Time

takes all the unevenness of the sun's motion in a year and averages it out ("mean" is another word for "average") to produce an even measure of time. Every second, minute, hour, or day of mean time is the same length (aside from leap seconds).

Why?

The earth travels around the sun in an orbit that defines the plane of the ecliptic. Earth rotates on an axis tilted with respect to the ecliptic, defining the plane of the equator. As a result, the apparent motion of the sun in the sky caused by the actual motion of the earth is going in two directions at once. The slower yearly motion along the ecliptic is at an angle to the faster daily motion parallel to the equator. Near the equinoxes, when the sun is at the ecliptic-equator intersections, the angle causes the sun's apparent ecliptic (yearly) motion to produce a slower apparent motion parallel to the equator. Near the solstices, when the sun is at maximum declination where the planes are closest to parallel, the sun's apparent ecliptic motion produces a faster apparent motion parallel to the equator. Since the daily and yearly motions are both in the same direction (counterclockwise when viewed from the north), the effect of the sun's ecliptic motion is always to lengthen the apparent day from what it would be if there was no motion (because the rotation has to go a little more than a full circle to catch up to a moving target). The result of this is that when the sun's yearly motion projected on the equator is faster, the apparent day is longer and when the motion is slower, the day is shorter! The preceding describes the cause of one main component of variation in the apparent length of the day--inclination, the angle between the ecliptic and the equator. The cause of the other component is eccentricity. The earth's orbit is not perfectly circular, and the deviation from circularity is called eccentricity. When the earth is closer to the sun it moves faster than when it is farther out. The closest approach is called perihelion and currently falls in January and the farthest point is called aphelion and currently falls in July. Since one solstice falls in late December, that solstice and the perihelion reinforce each other's effects to produce faster motion, while the June solstice and July aphelion partially cancel each other. The effect of the inclination is stronger than the effect of perihelion, so there is still some speeding up of the apparent motion of the sun in June and July, but not nearly as much as in December and January. The actual difference between the length of any single mean and apparent day is always measurable in seconds--

not even a full minute. However, the differences build up over many days. The difference between LMT and LAT at any given moment is called the "equation of time". The equation of time is currently largest in early November, reaching about 16 1/2 minutes. The equation of time was originally used as a correction to get from LAT to LMT, because direct observations gave LAT. Since sometime last century, it has reversed its meaning: it is now the correction to get from LMT to LAT. Using it in the modern sense, the equation of time for 12 GMT on the first of each month in 1900 was (in minutes & seconds): -3:40 -13:47 -12:35 -4:02 2:57 2:27 -3:31 -6:08 0:0 10:14 16:19 10:55. The reason I specified what year I was giving figures for is that the equation of time is not very fixed. The inclination, the eccentricity, and the dates of perihelion and aphelion all change with time. All of these changes interact over centuries and produce changes in the apparent motion of the sun and in the equation of time. (Aside: If you record the position of the sun once per day at the same mean time of day for a year, you get a distorted figure 8 shape whose width is the variation in time and whose height is the sun's declination range. This figure is called an analemma. There is a beautiful poster-sized picture of an analemma available from Sky Publishing, the publishers of Sky & Telescope.) Mean time takes all of these variations through the year and smooths them out to produce a system of time usable for clocks with fixed gears or electronic cycles. In fact, it was the development of accurate uniform-rate clocks in the 18th century that led to the use of mean time. This brings us to the problem facing astrologers and the reason for this article.

When?

We don't know when people switched from apparent time to mean time for daily use or legal record keeping. The Encyclopaedia Britannica refers to the 17th century introduction of clocks and watches and leaves it at that. The Explanatory Supplement to the Astronomical Ephemeris and the American Ephemeris and Nautical Almanac says clocks weren't accurate enough until the late 18th century. It says "apparent time was gradually superseded during the late eighteenth and early nineteenth centuries by local mean solar time for general civil use." (p 89).

The following are some fragments of information from Arthur Blackwell (c/o Astrolabe; PO Box 28; Orleans, MA 02653): Geneva switched from LAT to LMT

in 1780. London switched in 1792. Paris switched in 1816. In 1834, ephemerides switched from LAT to LMT. An 1838 eclipse was recorded in apparent time in Bridgeton, NJ (about 25 miles from Philadelphia). GMT became legal time in Great Britain in 1848 (with the possible exception of parts of Ireland and Scotland). Charleville, France was using apparent solar time in 1854 when the birth of Rimbaud was recorded. Rural areas generally switched after urban areas. If all this confusion reminds anyone of time zone and daylight time changes or the messy switch from Julian to Gregorian calendars over several centuries (not to mention the different starting points for years), I'm not surprised. It just shows that old charts can have as many time change problems as modern charts. Is there someone out there with the urge to take on a lifetime research project and do a good deed for the community?

Mark Pottenger

(Thanks for the e-mail. Edie)

**MARGUERITE dar BOGGIA  
SANTA PAULA, CA  
MARCH, 1999**

**FRAN GREELEY** sent the following message to **MARGUERITE** who thoughtfully sent it on to us. (Edie.)

To: 'Marguerite dar Boggia'

Subject: Girl in the long coma

Date: Monday, February 22, 1999 12:49 PM

Hi Marguerite;

I have missed hearing from you with your good Vedic information. I trust you are fine. I know you are real busy. Just want you to know that Pam died today at 11: am in Hastings, Mich. Her food tube had been disconnected last week. Her parents had both taken leave of absence from their work and have been with her for about the past 10 days. I am happy she has let go of the body. Her children & parents can have a closure to this long ordeal. Thank you Marguerite for having an interest in this.

I thought you might like to know that the lady in a coma passed away 2/22/99 at 11 AM. I forget her date of birth, but if you need it I will look it up. Her food tube was disconnected.

Marguerite (Thanks for the e-mail. Edie)

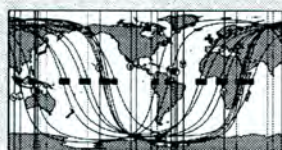
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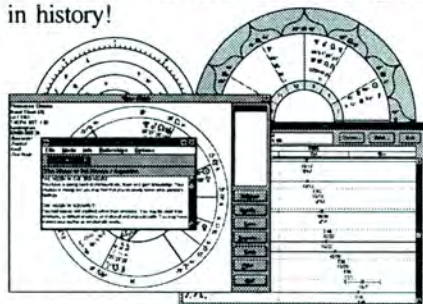


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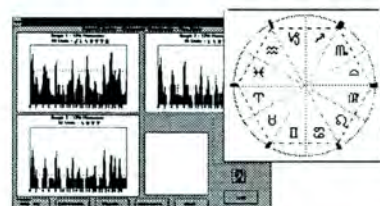
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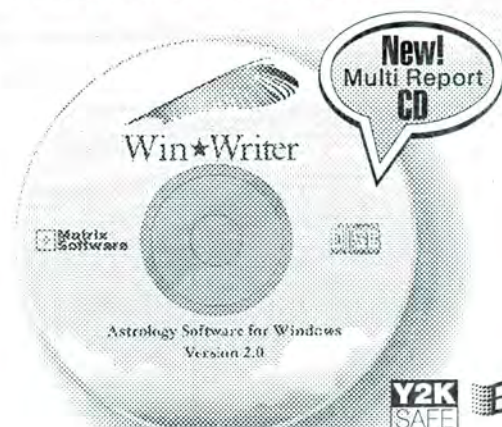
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