FRIDAY LECTURE REVIEW

Following is the write-up for Robert Blaschke's September Lecture by our new Scribe, Penny Willer.

Scribe's note: I will be summarizing the themes of the lecture. If you did not get the detailed handout Robert prepared and would like one, please give your name to a Board Member to get a copy. There are also copies, for a nominal fee, of the tapes from both the lecture and workshop.

The Friday night lecture (9/21/01) was entitled "Beauty and the Beast" Beauty was represented by the Jupiter transit through its exalted sign of Cancer from July 12, 2001 to August 1, 2002. This also includes a Jupiter return in the US Sibly Chart of July 4, 1776 at 5:10 PM LMT. This transit has historically been a time of spiritual renewal and political diplomatic breakthroughs. During the last transit, for example, the Berlin Wall was demolished, and Nelson Mandela was freed. The current patriotic zeal could be traced to this transit. As Robert expressed it, "Miracles happen."

We are also experiencing a waxing quintile aspect (72 degrees, 5th harmonic of 360 degree zodiac) between transiting Uranus and Pluto. Esoteric interpretations of the number 5 and 5-sided figure like the Pentagon building and a simple pentagram allow two alternative expressions. When pointed upward, the pentagram represents the mystic who surrenders personal will to divine will When pointed downward, the pentagram represents the magician who attempts to control spiritual forces to manifest Earthly reality. Robert

thinks that how we handle the series of 7 quintiles through 2005 will influence the outcomes of the Uranus-Pluto squares coming up in 2020.

The Beast was represented in the lecture by primarily the Saturn-Pluto opposition of August 5, 2001, with ties into the charts of the terrorist attack, the US Sibly chart, Osama bin Laden, George W. Bush and the August 11, 1999 eclipse. Robert feels that eclipses are sensitive for an entire Saros cycle of 18 years and 10 days. Ptolemy believed they were active for as long in years as they lasted in minutes. The August 1999 eclipse at 19 Leo (rounded up to correspond to Sabian symbol references) lasted 2 minutes and 38 seconds, translating to 2 years and slightly less than 8 months. Robert has identified Venus a 19 Leo in the terrorist attack chart as the trigger of this event. Venus represents feminine spiritual power; she rules finances, values, fairness and relationships. Robert associates Venus with the image of the Hindu goddess Kali, which suggests destruction and regeneration themes.

The Saturn-Pluto cycle of 33 to 36 years was discussed as to chronologies and energies released by the planets in combination. In addition to the Saturn-Pluto opposition of August 5, 2001, there will be two more passes on November 1st of this year and May 25th of 2002. Saturn represents reality, structure and fear. Pluto represents transformation, drastic changes, and intensity of experience. Robert identified four national and international themes stimulated by Saturn-Pluto historically: control of land boundaries, race riots, financial reorganization/controls, and control of

natural resources. Personal and spiritual ramifications may include: awareness of any abuse of power or authority reformulation of your view of reality, and transmuting limitations into greater personal power. Individuals with natal or progressed planets or angles at 12 to 17 degrees of mutable signs (Sagittarius, Gemini, Virgo, or Pisces) will be aware of these energies most intensely.

Everyone will have more focused awareness of the birthchart house axis activated by the opposition. For angular houses there will by physical emphasis, relationship and appearance issues (1st/7th) or family and career issues (4th/l0th) For succedent houses there will be emotional emphasis. financial and sexual issues (2nd/8th) or children and friendship issues (5th/11th) For cadent houses there will be mental emphasis, learning and teaching issues (3rd/9th) or physical and spiritual health issues (6th/12th).

The chart of the August 5, 2001 Saturn-Pluto opposition set for 12:52:08 PM EDT in Washington, DC, displays the following highlights. There is a strong 2nd/8th house emphasis. Jupiter is within minutes of its 12-year return to the natal position of the US Sibly chart. All Sabian symbols are quoted from Lecture-Lessons, by Marc Edmond Jones. The image for the MidHeaven at 8 Leo is "A man of mean and low appearance, but with burning fire of a great cause in his eyes, is stirring up discontent." The image for the ascendant at 3 Scorpio is "At a clearing of pioneer days in the forest all the neighbors have gathered to assist in a happy house-raising." The image for Saturn at 13 Gemini is "The great artist, a world-famous pianist, sits at his instrument upon the stage of a huge

auditorium." The image for Pluto at 13 Sagittarius is "A wistful young woman dressed in black, is surprised into a warm companionship to which she has felt alien."

The 8th degree of Leo is echoed in the natal ascendant of George W. Bush and Uranus of the proposed July 30, 1957 chart for Osama bin Laden. The latter shows the Sun at7 degrees of Leo. conjunct the US natal north node (our future), opposite transiting Neptune and natal south node (our past). Focusing on the US chart, the secondary progressed nodes have turned direct, which has historically coincided with this country being at war. Also, for the first time in our history, the secondary progressed Sun is within a degree of applying to a conjunction with our natal Moon (27028 Aguarius). This is in opposition to the Mars-Pluto midpoint of Osama bin Laden, which activates the Yod configuration created by SP Sun to SP North Node and SP Neptune (27 Aquarius /Cancer/Virgo). Transiting Uranus in the attack event chart opposes the US SP Ascendant (22 Aquarius/Leo). Transiting Pluto has recently crossed the US natal Ascendant while transiting Saturn has recently crossed the US natal descendant into the 7th house of open enemies. Pluto will be in our first house until 2017. Saturn retrogrades back to station at 8 Gemini (6th House) when Robert predicts the coalition will unravel. When Saturn transits up to the US natal Mars at 22 Gemini by 7/1/02, Robert predicts we will know the outcome of the current war. Transiting Uranus will cross our 3rd house cusp 3-5 times and then move through our natal 3rd house of transportation and communication for 7-8

8 years, during which time Robert predicts repeated disruptions in those areas. Within 3-4 years, the US SP Mars (Sabian symbol, "gang of robbers in hiding") will turn retrograde for 75 years. This secondary progressed stationing is within a few years of 3 other planets changing direction (Mercury SR, Uranus SD, and Saturn SR). Robert did not give specific predictions, but implied that we are in for unprecedented changes.

The Sabian symbol for the aspect between Uranus and Pluto in the terrorist attack event chart (69-70 degrees corresponding to 10 Gemini) is "airplane performing a nose dive." The ease of the air attack can be seen in the grand trine in the middle of air signs in the event chart, with the Ascendant conjunct Mercury (Libra), Saturn (Gemini), and the Neptune-Uranus midpoint (Aquarius). Osama bin Laden's (7/30/1957) chart shows a grade mid-degree fixed cross. echoing the grand fixed cross of the August 11, 1999 eclipse. The last eclipse before that with a fixed grand cross occurred in 1341, corresponding with the Bubonic Plague/Black Death in Europe during which the population decreased 25-30% within a few years. One interpretation of the Nostradamus quatrains refers to the 9th month of the new century when "...a great king of terror will descend from the skies, around this time Mars will reign for the good cause..." Robert expressed concern over two warlike aspects between the secondary progressed and natal charts of George W. Bush. Secondary progressed Mars Squares his natal Sun and SP Ascendant squares natal Uranus. Robert.recommended that we balance fear with love and terror with unity. Returning

to the Jupiter ingress into Cancer chart set for Manhattan, again there is the fated configuration of a Yod. This time the Sun (21 Cancer) is quincunx both Chiron (25 Sagittarius) and Uranus (25 Aquarius). There is potential for healing. The Sabian symbol images are as follows: The South Node at 7 Capricorn — "A highly sophisticated ritual of magic is displayed; the central figure is a heavily veiled prophet of power." The MidHeaven at 11 Scorpio — "there is great excitement upon the narrow and treacherous beach; at length a drowning man is saved, brought ashore."

SATURDAY WORKSHOP REVIEW Medical Astrology

The Saturday Workshop on 9/22/01 was about medical astrology. (Again, Robert's typed handouts outlined the major points of his presentation. The following will summarize general themes, cover emphasized points, and mention a few interesting details.)

The first step in medical astrology is a basic constitutional analysis of the natal chart. This focuses on the "lights" (the Sun and Moon) and their hard aspects (conjunction, opposition, square, and quincunx) to natal planets. Hard aspects between the Sun and Moon indicate periodic and returning diseases. Hard aspects between the Sun and Mars correspond to feverish ailments and infectious diseases. Hard aspects with Jupiter point to diseases caused by excesses. Chronic ailments come from hard aspects to Saturn. Sun-Uranus hard aspects correspond with spasmodic and nervous diseases. Neptune is associated with diseases from bites, stings, drug, or alcohol. Diseases caused by a troubled unconscious mind are indicated by hard aspects between the Sun and Pluto.

The Sun confers vitality. There is greater vitality of the Sun is in a fire sign, in an angular house or in a fiery Dwadashamsha. There is more endurance if the Sun is in an earth sign or a succedent house. When the Sun is in an air sign or a cadent house, there can be tendencies toward mental fatigue and nervous exhaustion. The Sun in water signs is least vital of the elements, with the exception of Scorpio.

The Moon regulates the flow of energy. The Moon takes on greater significance in a woman's chart and in a nocturnal chart of a man. The Moon signifies the fluids of the body, lymph flow, serum of the blood, menstruation, and the emotional condition of the person.

The Ascendant and chart ruler indicate the parts of the body which may be more susceptible to stress, dependent on the condition (natally) of the chart ruler. The reader is referred to *The Rulership Book* by Rex Bills or anything written by C.E.O. Carter for these details.

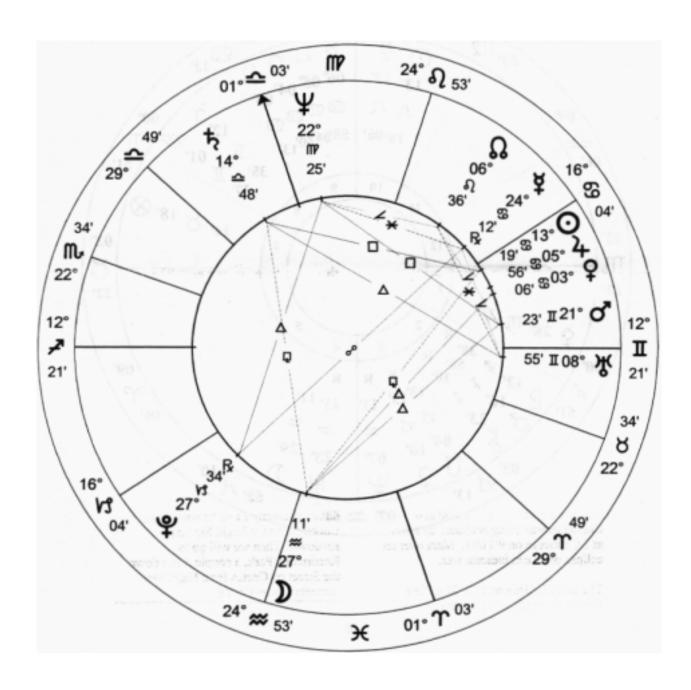
Major changes in one's general health may occur when the secondary progressed Ascendant changes signs, again dependent on the condition by sign and house of its ruler (referring back to the natal chart). The 6th/12th house axis shows the body-mind connection. Planetary strengths and weaknesses as

well as hard aspects in the natal chart are taken into consideration, especially Cardinal apex planets of Yods or T-Squares. See above references for greater details. Sign strength trumps hard aspects.

It is the responsibility of the astrologer to recommend preventative measures. However, it is better to ask for permission before going into more metaphysical interpretations and remedies for weaknesses shown in the astrological chart. Robert believes that physical ailments can be healed through spiritual means (love, forgiveness and compassion) and vice versa. Healing goes through bloodlines and back into past lives.

The organs are ruled by planets and emotions are stored in the organs. Briefly they are as follows: Memory is stored in the pancreas (Moon). Grief is stored in the lungs (Mercury). Fear is stored in the kidneys (Venus). Revenge is stored in the colon (Mars). Anger is stored in the liver (Jupiter). Resentment is stored in the gall bladder (Saturn).

Saturn or Neptune in hard aspect to the Moon indicates a tendency toward depression. The IC ruler in hard aspect to Saturn or Neptune indicates a genetic predisposition. Flower essences are most beneficial for those who have Neptune or Pluto in hard aspect to the Sun or Moon. However, if Saturn is in aspect to the Sun or Moon, more dense treatments are needed.



Saturn-Pluto Opposition

Sunday, August 05, 2001 12:52:08 PM

Current Day and Time

Washington, Dist of Columbia

Time Zone: 04:00 (EDT)
Longitude 077° W 01'42"
Latitude 38°N53'48"
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Tropical Zodiac
Mean Nodes

