

# The Galactic Times

## Compassion and Questions

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A headline banner in AOL news last week took an idea directly from my recent comedy routine at ISAR. The headline read, "Disagreement on all points Mars summit." Was it the disagreement or was it Mars that impeded the intended progress of the peace negotiations? Maybe it's even something more.

Recently, astronomers announced the discovery of a series of planets in the constellation Orion (a powerful constellation in Hopi tradition referring to recreating the order of creation) that stand far away from all stars. Perhaps one linear delineation would be to stand aside from ego-oriented stars (as we view them via our Zodiac). Yet another view would suggest the feeling of standing alone when in life crisis, confrontation or negotiation. Often when one pushes around a large bit of emotional and psychic debris, it is as if their energy waves other people off before they can feel the gravity of one's personal situation. Maybe standing tall and alone is a good thing - in small measure. But at the end of the changes, support feels good and may just be the right tonic.

Then the space observers (other than ourselves) recently figured out that a gamma ray burst detected in January came from an object known as GRB 000121 (I haven't calculated its exact position yet) in the constellation Carina (the keel). My studies suggest that gamma ray energy induces transformational experiences based upon external stimulation in life. Finding out what each agitation, speed bump or derailing difficulty means renders the ability to get beyond it.

Okay, another set of variables enters here. Are you having trouble keeping up with all the new discoveries? Me too, but

that's how it is these days. The Minor Planet Center listed three new Centaurs (objects like Chiron) this week, bringing the total to 25). 2000QB43 holds its node in Pisces and perihelion in Aquarius. 2000QC243 offers both critical orbit contacts in Pisces. And 2000SN331 comes in with a node in Gemini and perihelion in Scorpio. (The North Node and Perihelion - closest solar contact - offer an initial sense of the delineation of the object)

Since Centaurs offer healing remedies, what do we have here? First, the last of the three Centaurs (2000SN331) combines the surface-stirring inquisitiveness of Gemini with depth probing, find the belch in the belly, Scorpionic traits. The quest of questioning fills the air. One thing here, though, when you ask a question and get an answer, will you accept the answer you get? When probing the Great Mystery, perhaps it's not a good idea to second-guess. More than likely some answers will disturb your psyche, but would be the point. Unsettle lodged memories, patterns and pains to allow them to drift toward the surface breaking their bubble at the top of the waters of feeling.

Given the above question and answer session, the use of 2000QC243 with both critical orbit contacts in Pisces should help. This Centaur asks for compassion and understanding. Perhaps asking that you invoke these qualities exceeds your current ability. So be it. Simply do your best to invoke compassion and understanding with gentle acceptance only toward yourself. Done is done. You did the best you could under the circumstances (no doubts allowed here) and you move forward without the guilt of

not having done enough or done deeds correctly.

Finally, 2000QB243 offers a message of tolerance for those things different from us. Perhaps we should strive to understand the animosity between Israel and Palestine. Do we understand why the terrorists attacked the USS Cole. More importantly, can we with non-judgment accept the views behind such acts? Can you accept that the United States is seen as a satanic force in the Middle East? Accepting it does not make it right, but it places a stone in the bridge crossing the gap of misunderstanding. Maybe concepts of money, God or relationships into the theme.

As we stand alone in our own personal Universe perhaps we can remember that others share the same feelings in their Universe. The circumstances of life seek to assist our necessary changes. But as a Mayan Shaman I met the other day said so simply, "people don't like to change." Seeing to depth of the changes by asking good questions, invoking empathy (especially to the self), and following your path with compassion is a good start.

And so, with Mercury retrograding, there's a light dash of confusion in the air. Since it's approaching the Holiday Season, maybe this is a good time to create the first draft of a gift list. Should there be anything I can offer (tapes, books, ephemeris or readings) that might perfectly fit on your list, please feel free to contact me.

In the meantime, enjoy the depths of the Scorpionic discoveries – both within outer space and your personal inner space.