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THIS MONTH AT THE ASA

JONI PATRY

Friday, April 21, 2006. Time: 7:00 – 9:00 PM.

Registration begins at 6:45 PM. Admission is \$5 for members and \$10 for non-members.

Saturday, April 22, 2006. Time: 1:00 – 4:00 PM

Registration begins at 12:45 PM. Admission is \$10 for members and \$15 for non-members.

Both meetings will be held at the Scottsdale Senior Center. The address is: 7375 E. 2nd Street, in downtown Scottsdale, AZ. For a map to the Senior Center, visit our website at www.azastrologers.org.

FRIDAY NIGHT Lecture - “World Predictions for 2006”

Vedic astrologer Joni Patry will give her predictions for our country. This will be a very eventful year! You do not have to know astrology or Vedic astrology to understand what is in store for our future. The predictions are based on the future transits, the chart of the USA and President Bush’s chart.

SATURDAY Workshop - “Introduction to Vedic Astrology”

Joni Patry is back to take us further into the principles of Vedic astrology. Joni will help you build an understanding of how to read Vedic astrology from your knowledge of Western. Vedic astrology is

known for its accuracy in prediction. It takes your existing knowledge to a deeper level.

There will be a review of what was covered last October, and from there Joni will give a step-by-step demonstration of how to make predictions using the Vedic chart. If you know Western astrology and have always wanted to learn Vedic astrology, this class is for you! If you need a review before the class, Joni has basic lessons free of charge on her website under Beginner Lessons, or you can order her book, Eastern Astrology for Western Minds.

Joni’s website is www.galacticastronomy.com. Her book will be available at the meeting.

Getting to Know Joni Patry



Joni has been a practicing Western astrologer and teacher for over 25 years. As a Western astrologer she directed the Dallas Metaphysical Center. Her writings and research have been published in many astrological journals. Her search

for healing and spirituality has led her to Vedic Astrology. She is a second level certified Vedic astrologer, and is currently on the board and faculty with the American Council of Vedic Astrology (ACVA). As the founder and director of the "Galactic Center" in Dallas, Texas, she has built an astrological community through classes, website and a variety of workshops. She currently teaches for the American College of Vedic Astrology online, as well as the Western astrology Online College of Astrology. She organized the first national conference of its kind, "Eastern Astrology for Western Minds," to teach Vedic astrology to Western astrologers. She now sponsors the Certification Conferences for the American Council of Vedic Astrology.

Joni teaches internationally and has been on national television and radio programs as an authority on both Western and Vedic astrology. Her new book, *Eastern Astrology for Western Minds*, has just been published."

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Mesa Special Interest Group

The Mesa ASA Satellite Group meets the first Sunday of each month at Kathe Smith's home from

3 to 5 PM. Address is 2831 E. Southern Ave. Bld 5, Unit 114 at the SE corner of Lindsay and Southern Avenue in Mesa, one mile east of Gilbert Rd and Southern. Enter on Southern Ave. Call Kathe for the gate code. 480-839-5256.

Horary Special Interest Group

The Horary group will meet on April 20 at 7 pm at Jeanne Callahan's home in central Phoenix. Call Jeanne at 602-957-6008 or email her at Jeannecallahan@cox.net for directions.

Status of ASA's Move

Current information is that the move will happen at the end of May. However, no date has been given. Stay tuned.

Calling All Candidates!

We are seeking candidates for all elected Board positions. They are: President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Programs Director. We are also seeking a webmaster and newsletter editor.

Letter from the President!

Mercury is finally direct. I hope March went smoothly for all of you. We have several new members - so come to the meetings and get to know them!

As I mentioned in my last letter, time is approaching for new elections. I hope everybody has a copy of the Bylaws. For those of you who don't, there's a copy on the website, www.azastrologers.org, under Constitution.

I am quoting some of the rules:

According to the Bylaws, Article V. "Only members in good standing who have attended a minimum of six (6) meetings during the fiscal year will be eligible to run for office."

The elected officers are: President, Vice President/Ombudsman, Executive Secretary, Treasurer, Program Director. Their duties are outlined in Article VI of the Bylaws.

Every position has very definite duties, except for the President's, which reads, and I am quoting:

"It shall be the President's duty to:

- * Preside at all meetings of the Society and Board meetings.
- * Propose all appointed officers and perform such functions as are NORMALLY EXPECTED of a President. (I capitalized the letters, as this statement seemed pretty murky to me.)
- * Prepare an agenda for each forthcoming Board meeting.
- * Co-sign all checks to meet the Society's obligations. When circumstances require, compose and submit a written column for each published issue of the society newsletter."

In the subsequent letters I will list other Board members' duties as well.

The election schedule is set out in the Bylaws as follows:

APRIL: "A Nominating Committee Director shall be appointed by the Board at the April Board meeting. This position shall be a non-voting position." (Article VIII, Sec. 1.)

MAY: "The Nominating Committee shall ask for nominations from the floor at the May general meeting." **"To submit a nomination at the Board meeting, a member must be placed on the agenda by contacting the President."** (Article VIII, Sec. 3).

JUNE: "The Nominating Committee shall provide the final list of candidates at the June Board meeting." (Article VIII, Sec. 4.)

JULY: "The July Newsletter issue shall contain a list of all nominees and the positions for which they are running." (Article VIII, Sec. 4.)

AUGUST: "The ballots shall be counted by the Nominating Committee on the THURSDAY prior to the August meeting...." The presiding President shall be notified of the election results by the Nominating Committee immediately after the votes are tallied. The President shall notify all nominees of the election results. The results of the elections shall be announced at the August general meeting and published in the September issue of the Society's newsletter." (Article VIII, Sec. 5.)

Correction: the ASA's correct birthtime is 8:20 pm, on Sept 7th 1973. Thank you, Kathe Smith! What a difference 50 minutes makes! I will print new charts for the April meeting.

See you in April!

Gabriella

Last month at the ASA ... Joanne Wickenburg

by Marta Morris

Friday, March 17, 2006

LIVING WITH TRANSITS

Ms. Wickenburg began with the Moon, describing it as "fleeting moments." The Moon describes the "mother within us." If you can acclimate to the minor changes, then the larger changes can be handled as well. But if you react too strongly to the Moon, that can be "lunacy." At the meeting, the Moon was at approximately 1 degree Scorpio. She asked the audience to think about where that falls in their charts.

Mercury, Venus, and the Sun stay close to each other. Mercury as it transits your chart will give you an opportunity to learn something. As Mercury goes through the houses, think about each area. When it is retrograde, it will stay longer in that area for you to focus on that area of your life.

The Sun shines light into each area it transits, and sheds light.

Venus attracts things depending on the area of the chart it transits. Venus wants. In the 7th house, it is magnetism. What you attract is what you want - but is what you want good for you?

Mars transits will be felt more obviously. You can be irritable or courageous, active or confrontational.

If Venus wants, Jupiter wants more. When it transits a house, that area of your life will expand. With Jupiter in the first, you can learn or you can gain weight. With it in the second, you can attract the material things you need or increase your feelings of self-worth.

Saturn is discipline and responsibility, and it stays long enough to teach its lessons. In the first, it lets you find out who you are. In the second, it can bring a cash flow problem. With Saturn in the third, sixth, ninth and twelfth houses there will be adjustments because these are cadent houses. In the fourth, there can be endings, and so on.

Uranus will bring major unexpected changes in the area it transits, and whatever you predict it will be, it won't.

Neptune will bring confusion and connect you with other realms. It's in the first, you may zone out a lot.

Pluto, according to Rudhyar, is a part of God that got lost in His creation. The area it transits is where you contribute to the failure or triumph of the whole.

Conjunctions to other planets are the strongest aspects. Where the conjunction occurs is important but so is the house ruled by the planet being conjuncted.

Sextiles provide an opportunity to acquire tools or skills.

The square will shake things up. Learn to do something you have not done before. Crisis.

Trine usually means things are going well.

The inconjunct is sometimes overlooked, but it is an important aspect best described by the word "detour." The Yod can be life-altering.

The opposition involves others. Mutable oppositions are easier than fixed oppositions.

Retrogrades bring things closer. Pay attention.

Saturday Workshop, March 18, 2006

THE SOLAR RETURN CHART

You can look at a SR like a "New Year's Resolution." It freezes the transits as they are on your birthday. Joanne uses the Natal location. Others use their current locations. The following are steps used by Ms. Wickenburg in order of importance:

1. Overall - chart pattern - Stelliums? Example: Natal - full first house. Solar - full 7th house. Can change appearance.
2. Balance of qualities and elements. For instance, mutable as opposed to fixed, etc.
3. House emphasis is important. Most important is the SR Ascendant: which natal house does it fall in? Example: The natal 6th house fell on the SR Ascendant. Look at the placement of the ruler of the Ascendant and how it is aspected.

SR ASC in the 1st house: this is a special year, providing opportunity to discover yourself and fulfill many promises of the natal chart.

In the 2nd house: this is a year to develop new personal resources. You will see the results of past resourceful efforts.

In the 3rd house: this is a year to become involved in new community activities, learning and contact with relatives. You will view the results of past such issues. Prepare for the future.

In the 4th house: this is a year to build new foundations (at home and inside yourself). You will feel the results of past security issues and seek emotional stability.

In the 5th house: this is a year to develop your creativity and review the results of past creative projects. Children may play a part.

In the 6th house: this is a year to develop new strategies for handling daily routines. You will see the results of past adjustments.

In the 7th house: this is a year to bring something new into your relationships. You will see the results of past relationships.

In the 8th house: this is a year of change and regeneration, deep involvement and concern for joint resources. You will see the results of past joint involvements.

In the 9th house: this is a year of expanding mentally, spiritually or through travel. It is also time to review past principles and prejudices. Be in tune with all things that have been "foreign."

In the 10th house: this is a year to focus on social goals and social reputation. Results of past accomplishments will become evident.

In the 11th house: this is a year to involve yourself with friends and group activities. Focus on setting goals. You will see the results of past associations and involvement in social causes.

In the 12th house: completion, where the past meets the present so that new goals can manifest. Have faith in the unknown future.

4. Where is Aries? It is where you need to start something new. Be daring, adventuresome and independent in order to develop greater self-awareness.

SR Mars in natal shows where energy must be extended to initiate your Aries goals. Mars in the SR shows what new experiences will result.

5. Where is Taurus? How comfortable is it with regard to the natal chart. Taurus is the outcome and where you need to stabilize your energy to get results for efforts. Be practical here and get grounded.

SR Venus in natal shows where values must be cultivated along with a new appreciation for the experiences of its house. Venus in the SR shows the new values that emerge as a result.

6. Gemini will show you where you need variety. Be flexible, curious and communicative. Develop new interests here.

SR Mercury in natal chart shows where ideas are stimulated and communicated, where information can fill Gemini's curiosity. Mercury in SR shows new ideas and interests that result from the above.

7. Cancer - this year's security issues and needs.

SR Moon in natal shows where emotional responses, based on past experiences, surface and where adaptability is needed to maintain security. Moon in SR shows new emotional issues arising from the above.

8. Leo - this year's purpose. Need to do something that you are proud of, but pride goeth before a fall. Leo rules spine and heart. Don't take on too much.

SR Sun in natal shows where your sense of purpose lies; where you seek personal growth and self-expression. Sun in SR shows where a sense of purpose can effectively be developed this year.

9. Virgo - you need to be discriminating and analytical here. Strive to perfect techniques of operating.

SR Mercury in natal chart shows where ideas are accumulated needing practical application in Virgo's house. Mercury in SR shows new modes of communicating and new areas of interest resulting from the above.

10. Libra - Share and refine the activities of this house. Cooperation and harmony are important here.

SR Venus in the natal shows where you attract others to yourself with whom to share. Venus in the SR shows where new relationships and "people skills" will result from the above.

11. Scorpio - all or nothing. Let go. Dig to find answers. Regeneration is available.

SR Pluto in the natal shows where, over a period of many years, you will experience a major change in outlook. Pluto in the SR shows more immediate changes that result from the above.

12. Sagittarius - do more and expand outside your own "neighborhood." Find freedom.

SR Jupiter in the natal shows where opportunities are available for expansion. Jupiter in the SR shows where new opportunities result.

13. Capricorn - meet your responsibilities. Set your boundaries. Learn your rules.

SR Saturn in the natal shows where you must earn the respect of others. Be disciplined and responsible. Saturn in the SR shows resulting new responsibilities and ambitions.

14. Aquarius - where can you be free to make changes. Be original - where Uranus is, shows a new awakening. Take a risk.

SR Uranus in the natal shows where you are breaking away from tradition and structures of the past. Uranus in the SR shows a new awakening, sometimes coming from unexpected events.

15. Pisces - wrap things up this year. You need to transcend old structures here and make a new commitment to your undefined future. A lack of tangible evidence tests your faith in the unknown. Completion. Escape?

SR Neptune in the NC shows where attitudes and conditions are slowly dissolving. Expect confusion or inspiration. Neptune in the SR shows new ideals and commitments resulting from the above.

Compare the house cusps to those of the natal chart.

An intercepted sign from the birth chart may wind up on the SR Ascendant. This allows you to express an energy that you may usually repress, or meet a need that you usually cannot meet.

Transits through the intercepted houses can trigger changes. For instance, Uranus will open up that house, but the needs of the intercepted sign are still not met. Internalized needs. In an example, Neptune on the SR ASC was transiting the end of the 5th house. The SR chart is the result of the transits.

Signs will show needs, planets will act to get them met, and aspects will show how easily needs are met, or not.

Hidden side of houses: Planets "below" the house cusp in the same sign as the adjacent house cusp.

Intercepted signs and houses. Two intercepted signs result in two signs on four houses, resulting in intercepted houses.

Nodes are the eclipse points. What they represent is significant. NN is where you need to explore (natal and solar). New. Not comfortable.

SN - Karma - letting go, draining. You came into life with this energy. Share. Let it go. Feel safe there because you are familiar with that energy.

NN = guiding light.

In the SR, they are the eclipse area for you.

P/F = how you can best express yourself this year as a complete person.

Chiron = maverick/wounded healer.

Website of Note

If you read *The Mountain Astrologer*, you are familiar with Bill Herbst's astrological analyses of politics and culture. If you like what you've read, you can subscribe to his free email newsletter through his website, www.billherbst.com. Herbst's classic book, *Houses of the Horoscope*, has just been reprinted and is available through Amazon.

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