



January 2008

## PHILIP SEDGWICK

Friday, January 18, 2008. Time: 7:00 – 9:30 PM.

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

Saturday, January 19, 2008. Time: 1:00 – 4:30 PM

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

Both meetings will be held at the Granite Reef Senior Center. The address is: 1700 N. Granite Reef, Scottsdale, AZ 85257

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### **FRIDAY NIGHT - Can We Be Cosmic with Jupiter in Capricorn?**

Jupiter and Pluto recently enlightened humanity (hopefully) with their passage over the Galactic Center. Now that both are working under a new Capricorn job description, what's humanity to expect? We'll check out that question and we'll investigate a series of mostly unknown powerful galactic forces that just might keep us on target.

### **SATURDAY Seminar - That Damnable Eris and Our New Solar System.**

Last time Philip spoke we waited at the verge of the new definition of what makes a planet. Since that time, the solar system has a new subgrouping: dwarf planets. And as anyone under a Pluto transit can

attest, he's still the same powerful planetary pup. So what about the other dwarf planets? How do we manage to work with Ceres and Charon and Sedna and Eris, all on equal-impact turf as Pluto? Whew! And what about that new thing near Pluto, Borasisi... are you kidding me? Nope, the solar system has gone Kurt Vonnegut. Come find out.

### **Getting to Know Philip Sedgwick**



Philip commenced his study of astrology in 1969 while serving in the U.S. Navy. He studied copiously while deployed in two far eastern tours with a unique and challenging control group – twenty-some odd men, closed quarters, combat stresses and astrological horoscopes to sort it all out. For Philip, this period

opened the doors to a realization of the value astrology offered and the many ways it could play out.

He conducted his first astrological session in 1975, quite by accident. Since that time he has read charts for clients, conducted research, and written extensively. In 1976, while attending a lecture by a colleague, the late Joyce Wehrman, she referred to the Galactic Center. That provided the push for Philip to explore the astrology of those things in near and deep space, no longer limiting his work to the confines of this solar system. Deep Space Astrology and Whole Sky astrology rose from those seeds, both Bringing Heaven to Earth.

A researcher by nature, Mr. Sedgwick investigated the astrological signatures of aviation disasters, intensively explored the effects of galactic phenomena on astrology, and became an astrological authority on Comet Halley. Currently, he continues research relating to planetary cycles affecting commercial aviation and aerospace. He monitors and researches radiation disturbances from not only the Sun, but also originating in the newly encountered Soft Gamma Ray repeaters. His latest research passion involves investigation of the unusual Centaur and Trans-Neptunian Objects found weaving the inner solar system with the depths of space.

Philip Sedgwick wrote a weekly column for the Science Fiction Channel online entitled "Space Scopes" from May 1998 through October 2001. Philip has also written extensively for [www.StarIQ.com](http://www.StarIQ.com) as a writer of both articles and e-mail transit reports. His latest project is a CD set, *The Galactic Trilogy*. The trilogy consists of a text, *Astronomy for Astrologers*; an interpretive treatise, *The Soul of the Sky*; and hundreds of pages of data and ephemeridae.

Mr. Sedgwick has lectured internationally, and has conducted classes at several United Astrology Congresses and American Federation of Astrologers conventions. He has also presented lectures for the

American Institute of Astrology, the International Society for Astrological Research, the National Council of Economic Research, and many regional conferences such as NORWAC and ROMAC. His expertise extends beyond astrology into metaphysics and parapsychology. He has been involved in an extensive research project dealing with paranormal photography.

He previously authored three print books on astrology: *The Astrology of Transcendence*, *The Astrology of Deep Space*, and *The Sun at the Center: A Primer of Heliocentric Astrology* (now available as an e-book). He was a contributing writer for Llewellyn's Sun Sign Guide 1986, 1988 and 1989 and for *Spiritual, Metaphysical & New Trends in Modern Astrology*.

His Galactic Ephemeris of over 8,700 deep space objects leads astrologers on discoveries of potent sources profoundly affecting our natal horoscopes. Additionally, Philip produced a galactic software add-on for the popular Solar Fire program, entitled Galastro, and written a Galactic interpretive report for the Keller/Pegasus softwares.

Philip Sedgwick has appeared on many radio and TV stations throughout the country and has been featured in many newspapers for his work with corporate astrological consulting.

Forever on the leading edge of astrology, Philip will keep his finger on the pulse of the latest astrophysical discovery and bring it down to Earth for others to enjoy and use.

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### Are You Interested in Learning Astrology? Classes are free!

Starting at 6:30 PM on Friday, January 18, ASA will be offering free introductory astrology classes to the public. All you have to do is show up. Kay Cox will teach the first class, and she will tailor it to your level of knowledge. The class will be held in a corner of the room in our usual third Friday meeting place, Room 1 of the Granite Reef Senior Center. By the second or third meeting we'll get around to your chart – we promise!

ASA members ~ Please help make this a success ~ bring your family members, friends, your kids' friends . . . anyone you know who might be interested.

### ASA Needs a Scribe for the January meeting.

Our scribe, Marta Morris, cannot make it to Phoenix from Sedona this weekend, and we have no backup. Can anyone help? If there is no scribe, there will be no writeup for the newsletter, and

Philip's wit and insight will be lost to us forever. Please contact Sarah Laurent at [asanews@cox.net](mailto:asanews@cox.net) if you can fill in this month. Thanks!

## Last Month at the ASA . . . Solstice Party, 2007

We tried something new, in both food and format, and it worked! We know it was a success because nobody wanted to leave. Thanks to our talented readers, Brenda Black, Sandra Cousins, Kay Cox, Arlene Hougland, and Marcy Kay Weale, and to everyone who brought food or who just showed up and had fun.

## The Part of Fortune and the Part of Spirit

By Virginia Reyer

The Arabic parts have an honorable history in astrology, stretching far back into antiquity. They are sensitive points calculated according to mystic formulas. The system uses several sets of symbols that can be divided into two, according to whether the Sun is above or below the horizon. The parts should be given a high priority in opening up new insights.

These are subjects about which very little is known, and their full significance is not generally realized. Like the nodes, Ascendant, and Midheaven, Parts are not bodies and are therefore discarded by many astrologers. One must have the correct birth time to be sure that the Parts fall in the correct house and sign. Watch the progressions and transits over these points and the nature of the aspects, whether favorable or unfavorable.

The Part of Fortune, the part of the Moon, is one of the most important Arabic parts. It is a point equidistant in longitude from the Ascendant as the Moon is from the Sun. Using the 360° position for each point, it is calculated as follows:

For day births, Part of Fortune = Ascendant +

Moon – Sun. (The Sun is above the horizon).  
For night births, Part of Fortune = Ascendant + Sun – Moon. (The Sun is below the horizon).

The symbol for the Part of Fortune is an X inside a circle.

The house Fortuna is in represents an area of life where one can find happiness, prosperity, and tranquility. Fortuna expresses innate abilities, physical health, and material well-being.

The Part of Spirit is next in importance to Fortuna, as it is the Part of the Sun. The point lies the same distance in longitude from the Ascendant as the Sun lies from the Moon.

The Part of Spirit is extracted in the contrary manner to that of the Part of Fortune. It is calculated thus:

For day births, Part of Spirit = Ascendant + Sun – Moon.

For night births, Part of Spirit = Ascendant + Moon – Sun.

The symbol for the Part of Spirit is a circle containing a cross or a circle bisected by a vertical line.

Its house signifies the soul and the body, along with faith and intentions. With regard to health it signifies deeper, spiritual causes rather than the simple material causes shown by the Part of Fortune. The Part of Spirit is sometimes called the part of things to come.

Why was this retrograde Part called the Part of Spirit? Because the spiritual growth of an individual unfolds against the natural trend of bio-psychic nature. Spirit and “nature” are believed to move in opposite directions. The Part of Spirit refers to spiritual well-being and progress, in a transcendental kind of realization. As a result of where the Part of Spirit is found, we see symbolized the hold that past society and cultural institutions has on the individual. It refers to what is truly “fated,” the karma of the past.

The Part of Spirit and the Part of Fortune are equally distant from the Ascendant. We can as well say that the past and future are equally distant in our consciousness of the present moment, with challenges and opportunities. The two parts are always opposite each other. Some astrologers do not reverse them. Part of Fortune is Yin and Part of Spirit is Yang.

### *The Part of Astrology*

A modern formula is Ascendant + Mercury – Uranus. It describes the place of astrology in an individual's life.

## **The Nodal Axis**

*By Jeffrey Wolf Green*

Reprinted from The Arizona Astrologer, March 1993.

### *Definitions*

The nodal axis and the Moon in a natal chart deal with the ego. Jeffrey likens the ego to the lens in a movie projector. We can have the movie, the projector, the lamp, the screen, and everything in great shape. If the projector has no lens, we have no image. If we have no ego, we make no impression on our surroundings. No ego, no life. So the objective of spiritual growth is not to get rid of our egos but to refine them and add to them so we can live more closely to our soul's requirements.

The ego might be considered to be the sum of the material plane, time-space experiences we have accumulated to date, which Jeffrey calls the egocentric structures, the energy patterns we have developed and stored. Those we came in with, the already accumulated patterns or ego structures, are represented by the South Node, our self-image from past lives and experiences.

By way of contrast, the Ascendant, which many people define as the self-image, is really the instinctual projection on the world. People get feedback about their Ascendant. How many Scorpio ascen-

dants have not been told they are too intense? It is what they instinctually project on others and the world.

The Moon is the current ego as well as the process by which the moment-to-moment experiences of life are integrated into and stored in the energy patterns that will emerge as next life's South Node.

The North Node is the future version of the ego towards which we are moving. The sum of the South Node and this life's experiences should, theoretically, give us this North Node as next lifetime's South Node. But this may be an unrealistic expectation. The ego is not a free-standing creation of the moment. Rather, it is part of the overall whole. Its nature is energy, just as the nature of thought is energy.

The South Node is the past ego understanding we have accumulated. It identifies the prior life structures (experiences, energy patterns) created by the Soul to facilitate its own self-actualization. Its placement by house and sign define how that experience expresses in this life. For example, the South Node in Libra indicates that the soul has come in with a structure around relationship: a need to be needed. In the past it has used relationship as a way of creating a self-identity. The person will see themselves as a relating person. This will be their self-identity no matter how others see them.

Planets conjunct the South Node can deal with processes we have not finished learning. We are repeating the past life conditions of the planet, house, sign combination. This can be very frustrating. Or they may be gifts that have been thoroughly developed, special resources we can draw on to help our progress. But even this can be frustrating, because we are still blocked in this area from reaching the North Node.

The North Node is the future self-view, an egocentric structure the soul is creating for future use.

The Moon is the current life ego, the self-image in its

totality. It is a portrait of the imprinting that took place in infancy, a record of origin issues, a definition of your current life philosophy, an inner security and environment statement.

For example, the Moon in Virgo speaks of one or both parents being critical. So now, you have that characteristic. You got what you needed, and now you need to use that as the present which you move through to get to the future – the North Node. Moon in Pisces deals with open inner boundaries. It is almost as though the movie projector lens has been removed, leaving an extremely diffuse image. “I can make myself anything I want, take on any identity in my vicinity.” The Pisces Moon develops its proper identity when it embraces a spiritual reality. Until this is clearly defined, the Pisces Moon can feel very weak. It needs to find its purpose through the strongest part of its nature. Jupiter, as ruler of the Moon’s sign, can provide that compensation.

The Moon represents our emotions. This is not the same as the feelings represented by Venus. Feelings are an instinctual reaction to a stimulus. Emotions are a reaction to the feeling. The emotion can often be more intense than the feeling. For example, say you have Venus in Libra. Your partner comes home and says that he or she is attracted to X and wants to explore the possibilities. Yours Venus in Libra can relate to that and wants the partner to feel comfortable, wants the partner to like you. So your initial response is, “Go ahead.”

Now give that Venus in Libra a Scorpio Moon. The next thing that happens is that you want to kill the partner.

Planets conjunct the North Node are opposed to the South Node, indicating that they are things we have accessed in the past and toward which we are still evolving. Jeffrey uses an orb of 10° for conjunctions to the nodes.

For example, Uranus conjunct the North Node tells of a continuing need to liberate oneself completely from all prior ego patterns. This might be aimed at

uncovering one’s true nature after it had been disguised by overlays of past habits and distortions from things not particularly well executed. The result could be the Clear Lake of Taoism or the Diamond Nature of Buddhism, which are not particularly well received in society’s normal operations but which the soul may value considerably.

Recognize that individuation, which is the process of life, may become more dramatic with a signature like Uranus conjunct the North Node. Individuation in any form, let alone with a Uranus-North Node conjunction, is a tweak of society’s tail. Society, to be at all stable, needs strong norms and expectations of the individual. The individual, to follow his or her own process of individuation, needs to do what is right for himself or herself. This is unlikely to be totally aligned with society’s expectations. So the system has built-in conflict, which produces growth. If I live within society’s expectations, I frustrate my own growth pattern and needs, which will eventually force me to move ahead with my growth. If I do break out from society’s norms, I will find myself in conflict with its pressures. This, in turn, will force me to be sure that I truly believe in what I am espousing. It’s basically a “no guts, no growth” process.

#### *Nodal transits*

Transits of the nodes mark an 18-year cycle. The first 18 years are lived in the mode of the natal imprinting. The first nodal return is a kick in the pants, telling you to start making your own choices. The second nodal return marks a period when one can see and plan how to live out the life ahead, if one is sufficiently conscious. The nodal returns occur at ages 18, 36, 54, 72, and 90.

The inverse returns (transiting North Node conjunct natal South Node) occur at ages 9, 27, 45, 63, 81 and 99. It allows the personal future to interface with the past. This may bring closure to issues of the past through the immediacy of current events. Numerologically, each return age is a 9: completing a phase of the life.

Nodal transits to planets bring expression of the past and developing ego through the nature of the planet.

It is impossible to have a transit from one node without simultaneously having one from the other node. For example, transiting North Node conjunct natal Venus in the 11th could bring a parting of the ways with old friends, possibly through uncovering issues of the past (South Node issue). It could also bring one into contact with those in groups or as new friends with whom one will do some developmental work with (North Node issue).

### *Relationship charts and the nodes*

The nodes play into synastry and composite charts as well. Synastry charts are maps of how individuals interact with each other as individuals. A composite chart is a map of how the relationship, as an entity of its own, works out.

The nodal axis in synastry deals with how the individuals have interacted in the past and what is being dealt with now as one interacts with the other. Look for contacts between the axis of one and the planets, angles, or nodal axis of the other, as well as the nodal placement by house in each other's charts.

For example, let's say Mr. A's South Node conjuncts Ms. B's Moon in Sagittarius in B's 8th house. This indicates that they have probably been family before (Moon conjunct South Node). The relationship may well have been very close and intense, particularly in B's experience (her 8th house). The sign Sagittarius may indicate a common heritage of nomadic culture. This could be the basis of finding the U.S. and Western culture in general abhorrent and a significant point of relating to each other.

The contrast between the 8th house and the Sagittarius placement could indicate that in the past, relationships were too intense and close, quite likely as a protective mechanism, causing breakdown and flight to the freedom of Sagittarius. So when they re-contact each other in this life, there may be an

intense and psychological basis of communication as the relationship starts, with themes of codependency emerging from the past mutual protection.

In this case, we note that Mr. A's North Node is in Gemini in Ms. B's 2nd house. This gives an indication that the relationship, from B's perspective, is toward greater independence and self-worth, and that A will help her to manifest that through the direction of his ego evolution of a broadening perspective. This will require considerable communication to deal with the insecurity caused by new experiences as they try to move away from past tendencies to be overly dependent on each other. If we saw the same pattern in a composite chart, the themes would have much the same interpretation but would relate to how the relationship is developing and what kind of relationship has existed in the past. Consider the South Node conjunct the Moon in Sagittarius in the composite chart's 8th house, North Node in Gemini in the 2nd house.

This would be an indication that the type of relationship they were accustomed to in the past was intense and symbiotic, quite likely family oriented. The desire of the current relationship would be toward a less codependent tendency with greater communication and more capability to create security in the relationship by generating in the individuals a dynamic of self-sufficiency. There might still be a value placed on the previous nomadic, natural law orientation of the Sagittarius. But this would tend to bring a greater independence rather than the codependency of the past. Slips into codependency would tend to cause discomfort. This, in turn, would activate the Gemini North Node in the 2nd. So communication would be a natural way to work out the difficulties.

But recognize that one couple would not exhibit both the synastry and composite characteristics, so there would not be much confusion as to whether we were dealing with individual or relationship factors.

***Next month . . . Donna Stellhorn  
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