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THIS MONTH AT THE ASA

ROBERT P. BLASCHKE

Friday: THE END OF AN AMERICAN ERA

The USA secondary progressed Sun shortly leaves its detriment in Aquarius, ingressing into Pisces the day before the presidential election on 1 November 2004. This ends a 30-year era of American history which began with the Fall of Saigon and the end of the Vietnam War in the Spring of 1975. On Friday night, Robert will astrologically scrutinize the major candidates for the Democratic nomination and the progressed horoscope for Mr. Bush for their chances of victory. He will also discuss the 106-year USA progressed Sun-Mercury synodic cycle, and the ominous connections of the Bush presidency to William McKinley, who was also a Tecumseh's Curse president.

Saturday: JUPITER & SATURN

With the current emphasis on the personal and outer planets, Jupiter and Saturn are often the most neglected planets in the birth chart. These two

planets represent a realm of social and spiritual involvement that lies at the heart of outgrowth as individuals. Robert will discuss Jupiter and Saturn by sign, house, aspect, house rulership, transit and progression.

Sunday Salon on 2004 Eclipses

Robert Blaschke will present a salon at Kathe Smith's home beginning at noon on Sunday, March 21. Topic: the 2004 eclipses. Robert will discuss the solar eclipses of April 19th (29 Aries 49) and October 13th (21 Libra 06). He will analyze their Sabian symbols, decanate and dwad rulers, and the houses they activate in the U.S. Sibly chart. Bring your natal charts for a lively discussion of which horoscopic houses in your life will be affected. Cost: \$10.

Kathe's address is 1710 W. Natal Ave., Mesa, AZ. Take the 101 to Guadalupe Road exit. Go east to Pennington St., then north to Natal, then east to the 4th house on the north side of the street.

Getting to Know Robert Blaschke



Robert P. Blaschke, founder of Earthwalk School of Astrology in 1992, is an internationally respected, full-time, professional consulting, lecturing and teaching astrologer. With his third house Scorpio Sun in an exact trine to Uranus, and Pisces Moon with Virgo rising, Robert has had a life-long passion for astrology. He began serious study in 1971, started his practice in February 1979, and became a full-time astrologer in July 1989.

Robert is past-president of both the Washington State and Oregon Astrological Associations, and past National Coordinator for the ISAR Professional Astrology Speakers Bureau. He has lectured at regional and international astrology conferences in the U.S., Canada and Australia, and has been a guest speaker for many local astrological associations. Since 1991, his articles have regularly appeared in *The Mountain Astrologer*, *KOSMOS*, *Realta*, *Considerations*, *NCGR memberletter*, *The Journal of AstroPsychology*, *Geocosmic* and many other publications.

He is the author of the critically acclaimed *Astrology: A Language of Life* series:

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Last month at the ASA—Philip Comi

By Marta Morris, ASA Scribe

Friday lecture: Hitching Your Star

How does your star get hitched? Philip asked, and answered with the analogy of buying a shiny, new red car and needing to rent a U-Haul. You would not want to hitch up a junky trailer to your nice new car. In the same way you need to hitch your “star” to compatible “stars” not just for marriage, but in all relationships—personal and professional. Every relationship can click or sink. Synastry is comprised of two roots: “Syn,” which means to click with or bring together, and “astro,” which means star.

Creed wars, battles of philosophy, are determined by Jupiter contacts. Bonding is part of forming relationships, but the root of the word also forms the word bondage. Hence, there can be a subtle line between what you want and what you are “bound to.”

Patterns can repeat in relationships. Therefore, we should get to know what is operating in our own charts to avoid hitching up repeatedly in the same way.

*Think magnetics! The angles are important. The same degree Cardinal, Fixed or Mutable can attract. Remember, we achieve our Sun sign objectives via our Rising sign.

*People with Sun in the first house do the least. They are here to find themselves!

*Some examples of various sink/links as they pertain to planets were:

*Uranus aspects can signify pole shifts, therefore, not lasting—use 5 to 6 degree orbs.

*Saturn can provide structure.

*Mars to Jupiter can be creed wars!

*Saturn to Pluto = control issues.

*Nodal oppositions can work well.

Squares from the Nodes to the Nodes are difficult. A South Node contact to a personal planet can mean, “take the best and leave the rest.”

Saturday Workshop: I DO/I DON’T: Relationship Charting

Philip gave some examples of planetary interaction as follows:

* Venus opposed Pluto can be an unpleasant remake modality, where one person gives the other person a list of changes required to improve the relationship.

* Venus trine Neptune gives an understanding of what love is and how love works for you.

* Jupiter opposed Mars, Venus or Mercury—these are the creed wars. 16 degrees is sensitive.

* Saturn, of course, is control.

* Mars/Pluto is tough, with abuse potential. Oppositions are tougher than squares.

* Mercury—not everything has to be communicated verbally.

* Moon and Venus are important indicators.

* Angles are magnetic because they form “the cross” we are all on.

There were questions about Sun-sign compatibilities, and Philip provided the following insights:

Self-sign compatibilities:

Aries—Philip stated, jokingly, “I get a headache just thinking about that.” Too much volatility. When an Aries says they need space, they need space—emergency space.

Taurus will divorce over where the rug should go—turf wars.

Gemini—they should at least dance with whom they “brung” to the dance.

Rare combinations in partnership:
 Cancers—maybe. They are very thin-skinned and need a room in which they can be alone at home.
 Leo—probably not - pecking order?
 Virgo—OK - can work together.
 Libra—indecision can result in battles for control
 Scorpio—watch the transits-moods-sexual connection-sex politics-money issues.
 Sagittarius—might be difficult.
 Capricorn—could work.
 Aquarius—understand the other’s need for space-friendships.
 Pisces—who knows? So much to work with and through?

Comparison: Goldie Hawn: 11/21/1945 – 9:30 am, Washington, DC – 0 degree Capricorn ASC
 Curt Russell: 3/17/1951 – 10:47 am – Springfield, MA – 0 Cancer ASC

The ASPECT GRID is an important tool for assessing a relationship.
 Another tool is the COMPOSITE Chart, and Philip stated that he preferred the Composite to the Wedding Chart, although both will give you a perspective on the relationship.

In the Goldie Hawn/Curt Russell composite, the Ascendant is 0 Libra! There is a stellium in the 5th house - Venus in Aquarius. They are committed to their children and otherwise detached with a sincere, but non-contractual partnership. Neptune is in the first house.

Philip distributed a house description for a Composite Chart as follows:

1st house – Disposition of the Union – Appearance of Partnership – Nature, vitality, joy.
 2nd house – Income/values.

3rd house – Logistics, errands – vehicle, equipment – communication quality, mind melding.
 4th house” – Nesting, bonding – “family atmosphere,”– real estate, home, furnishings – homebase of union.
 5th house – Passion – Loving, entertainment –children/creativity – labors of love!
 6th house – Routine functioning, day-to-day life –efficiency/cleanliness – chores: smooth or rocky?
 7th house – “Public” perceptions – others’ attitudes-interference – enemies, 3rd wheels, divorce.
 8th house – Critical reactions – crisis frequency – nest egg capability – reserve funds.
 9th house – Intelligence, travel, R & R – renewal, “Honeymooning” – philosophical foundations.
 10th house – Reputation of union – aim & goals of union – strong external pressures.
 11th house – Quality of friends – nature of socializing – success of group activity.
 12th house – Karmic dynamics – private rapport – spiritual bond.

February Education

Judy Collins, Education Director

From now on until her term ends in September, education director Judy Collins plans to focus on teaching basic astrology. She began with February’s education talk.

ASTROLOGY 101

Delineating a Chart

- *Ascendant
- *Sun and its House
- *Moon and its House
- *Ruler of Chart – Sign – House
- *Mars – House – Rx or Direct
- *Configurations

*Closest Applying Aspect
*Planets at the degree of Nodes
*Angular Planet
*Mark Aspects by whether they are applying or separating
*Critical Degrees & 29 degrees – 15 degrees Fixed
*Retrogrades
*Houses – Sign – Ruler w/Aspects – Planets in the House w/Aspects

Ascendant – “Window to the World”
Your projection for others to see
What you need to “be” in this life
The part you play

Sun – How your ego performs best
The soul’s ability to create
Your way to be “different”
How you recover & move forward
House – Your Best Performance

Moon – All that you have ever been
Memories to pull from –
People & things we need for security
Where we can change & our ability to survive
House – Expect Change

Ruler of Chart – Personal key to use
The direction to go
Silent Partner
The Hidden Force that drives you
Sign – What you need to improve
How will you succeed?
How others know it is you.
How you “walk your walk & talk your talk.”

Sample Chart: John Kerry

Asc – Sagittarius- Optimistic, Rugged, Spiritual, fun loving, Scattered, Never finishes anything, Wants no boundaries or fences. GO FOR IT

Sun – Sagittarius- Goal planner, Philosopher, Enthusiastic, Judge & Jury, Freedom
DON’T FENCE ME IN

House – 1st – Self is important
DOUBLE OR NOTHING

Moon – Gemini- Fun, Sociable, Nervous, Excitable, Chatty, Sensitive to others
BUTTERFLY

House – 7th – Mother Me, Please
TRY AGAIN

Ruler of the Chart – Jupiter - Believe me, I know best – Go anywhere, Do anything – No time to be bored
LIFE IS A GAME

Sign – Leo- I’ll show you how!
House – 8th – Let’s share

Mars – Gemini- Let’s talk about it, I’ve got an idea, sarcastic

House – 6th – Let’s get busy
Rx – Oh, no!
HERE AND THERE AND EVERYWHERE

2004 Predictions In Depth - Part I
by Judy Collins, ASA Education Director

Winter Ingress chart, Washington, DC
Just past the Mercury Rx opposition to Saturn, ruler of 9th, 11th, & 12th house = travel security. Watching for terrorist activity. Raising the alert to “orange.” Watch for more attacks, new screening devices work, catch more terrorists, generally extensive travel problems, spy leak probe heats up, ports become targets, public opinion approved safeguards on travel against terrorists. Supreme Court makes changes in laws and in members of the court.

Ingress Sun co-ruling 10th house & in the 3rd: Office of President: Presidential campaign will affect our country's reputation. Debates turn ugly fast and sway polls. President needs to stay presidential (non-combative as possible) and not leak changes in Administration (Powell-Rumsfeld-Rice-and new VP).

Sun square Mars in 6th: Congress battles on new laws on food and health with President, more military reserves called up, illegal alien conflict with Mexico.

Cancer on 10th – Moon in Sag in 2nd (Pres.) – Moon square. Jupiter-conjunct.

Pluto=Pres. Bush pushes growing economy as selling point for re-election.

Libra rising-Venus in Aquarius. In 4th – ruler of 8th – sextile Mars = Republics talk about how well the economy is growing, opportunities for peace treaties.

Jupiter square Pluto = Media screams all the bad news, Federal Reserve tries to hold down interest rates – look for only small increases to keep the economy going up.

Chiron trine Jupiter = Congress tries another attempt to improve healthcare system, incredible advances in medical research.

Jupiter trine Neptune/trine SN = Advances in medicine, major breakthroughs, public opinion is positive and optimistic, media scores big on news breaking story.

Chiron trine NN/ trine SN = Advances in paraplegics, watch for healthcare debates. 1/14-Mer D 0 Cap – 2/9-Venus 0 Aries – 3/5-Mars conjunct NN = days to be watched for possible terrorist attacks and any transit setting off ingress Sun.

Winter ingress Arizona

Mercury opposition Saturn = Citizens of state & Gov. = State in debt – land sales, children issues such as Child Protective Agency to be revised as priority.

Ingress sun in 4th square Mars in 7th, ruler of 8th = sale of state land to raise money, ACCESS & 12th house agencies need major changes, forest fires cost to state puts spending way over budget.

Moon square Jupiter, conjunct. Pluto = forest fires again this year with new rules set into play for drastically thinning our forests, major transportation started (light rail, new roads), timetables moved closer for starts, population growth pushes us to number 1 in the US, legislation fights for more money for projects.

Mercury ruler of Asc & 10th square Mars = possible illness of Governor. Gov. puts her foot in mouth and angers public.

Mars square Saturn = Casinos back in the news, gambling becomes issue with voters, sport story makes big news – sale of team, trade, criminal action, death of player, another change of coach, sanctions.

Jupiter square Pluto = again, talk of growth limits in building, dissatisfaction in traffic delays, speeders, crime.

Venus trine Mars = tourism increases, gambling issue for voters, airport changes planned for immediate future – more up plans.

Chiron trine Jupiter = major building for hospitals and prisons.

Jupiter trine NN sextile SN = building explodes in good economy, farm land sells for premium, State Land sales bring in huge amount of money for state.

Chiron trine NN sextile SN = slums, areas that need development, anything that needs to be repaired or replaced gets done.

U.S.: Gemini Rising chart

Venus conjunct Moon = Economy improves, public takes on an optimistic attitude, terrorists (Venus co-ruler of 12th) caught by military, Medicare and medical expenses increase, stricter health guidelines w/ more regulations.

NN & SN – Neptune = No more Cheney. VP controversy starts because of possible candidate in 2008 for President. Watch oil go up & down, terrorist hit to embassy.

Mars trine Asc = possible successful hit on US by terrorists – watch transits to Gemini Asc. & SA Mars.

Chiron – NN & Sun = terrorist hit possible on transportation system.

Jupiter inconjunct Neptune = terrorist hit on place of entertainment like Vegas, Super Bowl, Olympics, Disney World.

Pluto inconjunct MC = hit against government target like Capitol, dam, power plant, some symbolic structure.

T. Saturn conjunct U.S. Sun square Saturn: 6/10 & 6/22.

U.S. Sagittarius Rising Chart

NN opposed & SN conjunct Neptune = Since Neptune is co-ruler of 3rd, look for losses due to terrorism, storms, marine disasters with SN on Neptune concentrating mostly on overseas interests.

Moon square Sun = No more Powell, interest rates threaten to go up, foreign

stock market unstable, travel upset by security delays.

Jupiter inconjunct Neptune = Public concerned over foreign problems, public not as optimistic as thought, voters are worried about cost of war.

Saturn trine MC = voters see country as more stable economically.

Chiron trine NN & sextile SN = country must decide what is important – healthcare costs, coverage under Medicare, drug costs vs tax breaks.

George Bush

Sun conjunct Mars = elected President again in 2004, energized by campaigning.

Venus conjunct Moon = needs to come across as Pres for peace, not war.

Pluto conjunct Neptune = “get tough on terrorists” still works, no wavering, no back-stepping in war on terrorism.

Jupiter inconjunct Sun = illness of father Bush, poor judgment.

Chiron trine Pluto = illness again of a parent because Pluto is co-ruler of 4th.

Richard Cheney

Mercury square Chiron = Health cited as cause of not running again for VP, OR may resign shortly after taking oath.

Mercury inconjunct Neptune = Health factors are true but Lynn Cheney, his wife, does not want him to run for VP.

Jupiter inconjunct Sun = VP moves from residence, is hospitalized again, resigns, and retires from public office.

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