



May 2008

THIS MONTH AT THE ASA

DAVE CAMPBELL

Friday, May 16, 2008
Registration begins at 6:45 PM

7:00 – 9:30 PM
Admission is \$5 for members and \$10 for non-members.

Saturday, May 17, 2008
Registration begins at 12:45 PM

1:00 – 4:30 PM
Admission is \$10 for members and \$15 for non-members.

Both meetings will be held at the Granite Reef Community Center, 1700 N. Granite Reef, Scottsdale, AZ 85257.

FRIDAY Lecture – Horary Without the Horror

Learn easy and effective techniques for doing Horary work. If you know the basics of astrology, you can do horary. Dave will teach you these techniques, along with new ways of doing horary - including the use of asteroids.

Horary can double your clientele business! Horary will also make you a better astrologer.

SATURDAY Seminar – Asteroids

Add new details to your charts and readings by utilizing asteroids! Dave will teach you how to incorporate them into your charts.

Dave will cover specific themes, including the asteroids of fate, fortune, and karma. Among the asteroids and their meanings Dave will discuss are Amalthea, Amphitrite, Antigone, Ariadne, Atropos, Cybele, Echo, Eos, Eris, Eurynome, Fama, Flora, Fortuna, Galatea, Harmonia, Hybris, Iphigenia,

Klotho, Lachesis, Metis, Mnemosyne, Moira, Penelope, Penthesilea, Pythia, Sedna, Selene, Themis, and Tyche.

Solar Fire Gold has these in the program, and Kepler has 1,000 asteroids if you want to print your list before the Saturday workshop.

Getting to Know Dave Campbell



Dave Campbell is an expert astrologer who has over 20 years of experience. Dave wrote the book *Forensic Astrology: Solving*

Crimes with Astrology, published by AFA. Dave specializes in asteroids and uses them in his readings. He is well known for the precise accuracy of his readings and predictions.

Besides being an author, Dave is also a psychic-medium, astrologer, and Certified Clinical Hypnotherapist (C.Ht.), and a legally ordained minister. His spirit messages come through his clairvoyant (clear seeing), clairaudient (clear hearing), and clairsentient (clear feeling) abilities. Dave gives clear evidence of communication from those on the other side, providing, healing and closure for both sides of the veil.

Dave has spent most of his life studying metaphysics, Tarot, Reiki, and similar disciplines, and continues to expand his knowledge and skills.

Dave owns and operates one of the best metaphysical bookstores in the Valley - The Astrology Store. His website is www.theastrologystore.com.

May's hospitality will be "fiesta food" in honor of Cinco de Mayo. Thanks, Arlene!

Simple Logic

Raffle proceeds go to Hospitality. Buy tickets – eat well. Buy more tickets – eat better!

Renewals

If you received this newsletter, it means you have renewed your membership. Thanks!!

For those who haven't renewed, we'd love to have you back! Then you'll get your very own copy of the newsletter, delivered to your Inbox, and you won't have to read it online.

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Last Month at the ASA ~ Kenneth D. Miller by Marta Morris, ASA Scribe

Friday: Pluto's Weird History: Dumb Luck, Dumb Note, Dumb Bell – An Astrological Rags to Riches Story

Why is history important? Without it, we are "doomed to repeat the past." Look at house systems. Why do we use Placidus vs. all the other house systems? We think we have learned "all about Pluto" in 10 years but still debate house systems after 1,000 years.

Dumb Note

How Pluto was defined in the past:

Fritz Brunhubner, 1934 – To know, we need to evaluate. Mostly malefic.

Charles Carter, 1934 – More circumspect. Scorpio. Health. Death. Healing crisis.

Elman Bacher, 1940s – called Pluto frozen fire and linked it with Scorpio

Grant Lewi, 1902-1951 – Did not mention Pluto in his writings on transits.

Margaret Hone, 1950s – Elimination. Renewal, regeneration, life force. Secrecy. Criminal. Sexual. You cannot take the meaning too personally.

Isabel Hickey, 1970 – Included a 2-page chapter in the first edition of her book. Its effects are subtle. Too many of earth's children have Pluto in the same sign, so too much attention to it will bring trouble in its wake. Deals with civilizations more than personal. Power.

Isabel Hickey, 1977 – *Minerva and Pluto. The choice is yours.* Still cannot be definitive. Too long in each sign to be meaningful.

Back in 1897, a French astrologer, Formelhaut, predicted the discovery of Pluto in the future. In 1920, Maurice Wemyss and Lowell looked for a planet beyond Neptune due to the behavior of Neptune. This became known as the Search for Planet X. An Indian astronomer, Vankatesh Ketaka, mathematically estimated its location and orbit at 242.28 years -- more accurately than Lowell. Clyde Tombaugh, a young astronomer at the Lowell Observatory, found Pluto accidentally in 1929-1930.

Dumb Luck

Why Pluto? It was named by the daughter of an English astronomer who was a friend of Lowell's and called him to suggest it. The cartoon, Pluto, was also named around that time but the planet was named first. Pluto is very small.

Dumb Bell

How Pluto has been defined more recently:

Ted George was head of a Florida Astrological Association and in 1976 he wrote that Pluto is in many ways like Gemini and its neutral nature is like that of Mercury.

Robert Hand, 1976, said that Pluto starts by breaking down structure. Shiva. You will always see its effects very clearly. Decay. Serious power struggles. Non-

attachment enables you to endure. Secrecy and crime.

Don Jacobs, 1976, "Astrology Now" magazine. In Transits, he says that the slowest-moving planet has the most effect. He starts with Pluto and goes from there. Deep basic change. Obsessive.

Alexander Ruperti, 1978, *Cycles of Becoming.* Scientists thought Pluto was bigger than it is. So he takes a more cautious approach than Rob Hand. Collective. Works from the mind; the individual begins to question the collective mentality. Conform!

Donna Cunningham, 1978, *Pluto,* considered it the planet of female sexuality. She blurs the distinction between Scorpio and the 8th house and Pluto. Possessiveness. Manipulation. Violence. Vindictiveness. Cancer. Let go to be less destructive. Use and abuse of power.

Alan Epstein, 1984, Pluto responds to the function of elimination. Cleanse and Purge! Resistance will cause constipation.

Liz Greene, 1989, Pluto in a given house negates the collective definition. Makes it very personal. Wealth. Poverty. Merciless. The limitations of original sin.

Neo-Vedic astrologers (Neo-vedics use the outer planets.)

Edith Hathaway, 2005, called Pluto a bully who does not operate in a straightforward, civilized manner.

Joni Patry, 2004, says Pluto is like Rahu. Power. Control, Scorpio, 8th house, etc.

Unpublished current opinions from different places:

San Diego – Powerful, deep, dark stuff which will create something beautiful in the end.

Los Angeles – Extension of the Pluto myth. Associated with death. Compulsive.

Portland – Power that tears things down to rebuild.

Seattle – Good planet, but sucks while it is happening. Phoenix rising from the fire.

**Keyword Study
(Based on Woolfolk, 2001)**

Death: Mars, 8th house
Power: Mars, Sun in 1st
Earthquakes: Mercury
Murder: Mars, 8th house
Domination: Sun
Secrets: Saturn and the 3rd house
Cruelty: Mars, Nodes, Virgo, Capricorn

What happened in 1930?

Photo flash bulbs were invented
Nancy Drew Mysteries published
Golden Age of Radio
Mickey Mouse Cartoon and Pluto
Lowell Thomas
Gandhi's Salt March

Ken showed the audience various Pluto symbols and then led a interesting discussion: If Pluto is the higher octave of a personal planet, which planet would that be?

**Saturday: Remediating
Planetary Afflictions**

Indian astrology seems to have begun about the same time as Western astrology – about 2,000 years ago. Every culture has its own astrology. By watching the sky, the Indians tracked the Moon. Indian astrology uses the constellations rather than the signs. They do not use the outer planets. Their charts are set up in the whole sign house system, and Lagna is the name for the ASC. The chart is in box fashion with the houses always in the same order: 7, 8, 9, 10 across the top, then below the 10 are houses number 11, and 12, then 1, 2, 3, 4 at the bottom, and 5 and 6 going up to the 7 box. The ASC is marked by a diagonal line in whichever "box" it falls.

The word Planet in Greek means *wanderer*. In India planets are called *Graha*, and they are deities that are capable of influencing us profoundly.

1. What are we remediating?

Indians believe we have several lives and build up karma. There are 3 types of Karma: Fixed – unavoidable karma which comes from prior lifetimes; Unfixed – the karma we are acquiring in this lifetime and whose negative effects we wish to prevent from coming to fruition; and karma which is neither fixed nor unfixed; we can resist it with effort, bring it to fruition with effort. In the chart, which is which? Use the Rule of 3.

One of the biggest differences between Eastern and Western astrology is the emphasis on the planets. Indian astrology emphasizes planets; Western tends to emphasize signs.

An inauspicious Saturn can be remediated by various methods.

Rahu in the example was in the 9th house (top of Chart) Ketu in 3rd. The myth of immortality and the Nodes states that the Asuras are demi-gods and battled the gods. The gods lost their immortality. Jupiter, the Guru of the gods, gave them the elixir of eternal life. They used the serpent to churn the elixir but the serpent, realizing what was going on, grabbed the elixir. The gods quickly cut him in half, but it was too late and so the Nodes were born and became eternal. Rahu, the head, always wants more. It eats and never gets full. It is malefic in India; in the West, it is not. Ketu, the tail without a head, becomes an egoless influence. It can be seen as taking something away, but it can also demonstrate as spirituality. Hence, where Ketu is located it is best to aspire to spirituality, or something is taken away.

2. How do we judge?

Good vs. bad, auspicious, vs. inauspicious. Benefics: Venus, Jupiter, Mercury, Moon. Malefics: Saturn, Mars, Sun, Moon.

In Indian astrology the Sun is the significator of the Soul, and the Moon is the Mind as a whole. When it is just a sliver, it is considered less auspicious

Malefic planets can be mitigated by house location. Check the benefics and malefics to see which houses they rule. Good houses: 1, 4, 7, 10 and trine--5 and 9. Bad houses: 6, 8, 12 and 3. Neutral: 11, 2. You must assess what the planet rules and what are the conditions.

3. Objections

Are we interfering with Karma? Lucky places are 5th and 9th houses. If they are afflicted it can be difficult to remediate. The 5th house has links to past life positive karma. 9th house points to Dharma.

Rahu in 9th indicates interest in occult – open to remedial measures. With Saturn, delay in experiencing benefits of remediation.

In Indian astrology, every planet aspects the opposite house. Indian astrology has a more uninterrupted history than Western astrology, which has been interrupted by religious persecutions and inquisitions.

4. How do we remediate?

Remediations should involve:

- A. Sacrifice. (27 mansions: From full moon to full moon is 28 days.)
- B. Gem use (Parasha is the Bible of Indian Astrology – today's version goes back 500 years but the original is older. The Moon's location – Dasa/Bhukti – sets up a cycle for your life. Determine the sacrifice depending on the current Dasa.
- C. Mantra
- D. Ritual actions, such as fasting, are called Yaguas.

5. All the other important stuff

Nimita means “interpretation of omens.” The chart is “what god was thinking about when you were born,” and Nimita is commentary.

Cosmic influence: Ganesh is the patron deity of astrologers. He is looking at the

heavens. Different religions have different deities related to the planets.

Indian astrology is practiced by Hindus, Sikhs, Jains, and Muslims.

Surya is the Sun
Chandra is the Moon
Budha is Mercury
Mangala is Mars
Guru or Brihaspathi is Jupiter
Shakrua or Sikuru is Venus
Sani is Saturn
Rahu is the Lunar North Node
Ketu is the Lunar South Node

All the planets are masculine and the stars are feminine.

The link between gemstones and their rulership of planets began as late as the 14th century. In the 16th century, the use of certain gems to ameliorate certain planetary transits began. In the 18th century, a book correlating gemlore to hostile planets was published. Quote: "A good quartz is a remedy against all forms of poisoning or against wild animals."

Positive method: Find the best planet and wear that correlating gem. What is the best planet? Use the rising sign ruler, if possible.

Negative method: Use a gem to counteract debilitated planets. For example: Mercury is debilitated. Go with an emerald. Mars is with Mercury and the Sun. Expensive. It has to be perfect. Lab-grown emeralds can be perfect and are not as expensive. Some astrologers do not approve. Some have worked with them and find that they do work. You can also wear the gem associated with the current Dasa.

Planetary friendship scheme: Sun, Moon, Jupiter, Mars.

Planets in the same sign are referred to as Yoga, or linked. Service, fasting and mantras work the best in remediation.

Propitiation. All Brahas worship Shiva.

The Moon's gem is the pearl. The Sun's gem is the ruby (or red garnet). Jupiter is linked with the yellow sapphire. For Ketu it's cats eyes; and Rahu likes Hessonite. Venus' gem is the diamond or white sapphire as a secondary stone. Saturn's gem is the blue sapphire, and the gem for Mars is the red coral. Mostly, clear stones are used.

Mantras for all the planets are as follows:

Sun = Om Hreem Sur-ya yanamaha
Moon = Om Hreem Chan-dra yanamaha

Mercury = Budha yanamaha
Venus = Shukra brihaspate-gaynama
Mars = Om Hreem Mangala yanamaha

Jupiter = Om Hreem Brihaspate-gaynamaha
Saturn = Om Hreem Sreem Sani-chara yanamaha

Rahu = Rahu-ve-namaha
Ketu = Ketu-ve-namaha

More remediation:

Sun: spicy foods, cinnamon. Red, camphor. Shiva. Fire.

Moon: dairy products, White, potato, salty taste, sandalwood, jasmine, gardenia, water deities.

Mars: garlic, onions, mustard, sour taste, stimulants, horseradish, echinacea, goldenseal.

Mercury: tea, mint, Green, chamomile, cabbage, green vegetables, basil, Vishnu.

Jupiter: butter, nuts, seeds, almonds, walnuts, grains, licorice, phenol, ginseng, Yellow, lotus.

Venus: rose, sugar, myrrh, White, clear, honey, quartz crystal.

Saturn: raisins, corn, rye, frankincense, dark, Black, cedar.

MAY NEWS NOTES

By Brenda Black, ASA Publicity co-chair

Saturn turned direct on May 2, 2008 at 8:07 PM at 1° of Virgo. Those born around the 23rd of any month will feel this energy the most, and if you are experiencing a downturn in your life, things will happen this weekend to cheer you up and give you more hope for the future. Saturn will stay in Virgo from 9/3/07 to 10/29/09.

Those born from 7/27/78 to 9/20/80 will be experiencing their first Saturn Return. Those born from May 30, 1949 to 8/13/51 will be experiencing their second Saturn Return. There is a book called *Surviving Saturn's Return* by Schostak and Weiss (2004) that would help anyone going through the Saturn Return. In their section on Virgo they mention a burnout phase in career and suggest simplifying your lifestyle and scheduling lots of alone time for yourself.

Quoting from the book, "At the Saturn Return all of the little messy corners of your life are likely to be blown up until chaos is front and center, staring you right in the face. Forget spring cleaning; try a major overhaul of the recessed clutter of the past 27 years." They suggest these survival skills for Saturn in Virgo: 1) Work on simplicity in every area of your life. 2) Clean and organize your life and 3) Cut out workaholic behaviors. The Dalai Lama has Saturn in Virgo.

5/11/08 - Mercury enters the shadow phase of the Mercury retrograde season. On 5/26/08 at 8:48 AM MST Mercury will turn retrograde at 21° Gemini. Mercury will be aligned with the positive fixed star Capella. In ancient Greece Capella was the orientation point of a temple at Eleusis dedicated to the Moon goddess, Diana. Capella is the goddess star and we can all honor the goddess inside us at this time.

Mercury will turn direct at 13° of Gemini on June 19, 2008 at 7:31 AM MST. During this time, gather up the facts, but do not make any firm conclusions. This is a time when our worldly affairs slow down and we take some time to read profound books and do some deep inner work. Mercury retrograde is a time to correct mistakes and finish up tasks that have not been completed.

5/26/08 – Neptune turns retrograde at 24° of Aquarius at 9:15 AM MST. Neptune will turn direct at 21° of Aquarius on November 1, 2008 at 11:39 PM. According to Erin Sullivan in her book *Retrograde Planets—Traversing the Inner Landscape* (1992), Neptune retrograde invites one to return to the

womb state and incubate. Then you will have a rebirth when it turns direct. Our egos are softened and we are more humble during Neptune retrograde. A perfect book to read or re-read during this period is *A New Earth: Awakening to Your Life's Purpose*, by Eckhart Tolle (2005). Under Neptune retrograde,

relationships are more difficult to form because the intent of the Self is to give birth to a new aspect of itself rather than fusing with another person. On August 15, 2008, the Sun in Leo opposes Neptune in Aquarius. At this time the greatest losses of ego control and boundaries can occur.

Coming to ASA in June . . . Steven Weiss

Friday: Pluto and Generational Value Formation/Building Bridges to Business

Saturday: Signs of Success: Great Business Leaders and Their Great Business Triumphs