

**The Goddess Report
Chiron and the Asteroids**

Astrological Report

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Planet	Sign	Position	House	House
Sun	Gemini	13°Ge25'	11th	01 28°Ca54'
Moon	Aries	13°Ar05'	09th	02 20°Le50'
Mercury	Gemini	22°Ge20'	11th	03 16°Vi37'
Venus	Cancer	28°Ca09'	12th	04 17°Li53'
Mars	Aries	10°Ar42'	09th	05 23°Sc16'
Jupiter	Aries	17°Ar25'	09th	06 28°Sg01'
Saturn	Cancer	17°Ca23'	12th	07 28°Cp54'
Uranus	Libra	28°Li48'	04th	08 20°Aq50'
Neptune	Sagittarius	10°Sg20'	05th	09 16°Pi37'
Pluto	Libra	06°Li31'	03rd	10 17°Ar53'
Midheaven	Aries	17°Ar53'	10th	11 23°Ta16'
Ascendant	Cancer	28°Ca54'	01st	12 28°Ge01'
Chiron	Aries	26°Ar46'	10th	
Ceres	Taurus	12°Ta02'	10th	
Pallas	Aries	00°Ar28'	09th	
Juno	Gemini	17°Ge37'	11th	
Vesta	Pisces	21°Pi39'	09th	

Introduction

Astrology is an ancient science and art that has been in use for centuries. The planets are named after the Mediterranean gods of ancient Rome and Greece. This illustrates the awareness possessed by our ancestors of the synchronicity between the activation of life's archetypal energies and the movements of heavenly bodies that seem to measure the timing of these events.

The last few centuries have been an exciting time for astrologers. We have witnessed the discovery of the outer planets and watched them conform to the synchronistic meaning ascribed to them by their names, joining and expanding the pantheon of deities that dance through the horoscopes of people and political events. Astrologers have become comfortable with the extended astrological family that now includes Uranus, Neptune, and Pluto, and these have been utilized in western astrology for most of the twentieth century. Since the dust has settled from these cosmic discoveries, astrologers have had some time to study the action of some other newly discovered heavenly bodies - namely Chiron and the asteroids.

The asteroids lie in a belt that orbits between Mars and Jupiter. It is now known that this belt is comprised of thousands of asteroids, but the first four were discovered many years in advance of the rest. These four asteroids were named after four major Olympic goddesses, which happened to redress the gender imbalance among the primarily male planetary deities that populate the horoscope. Thus it was that Ceres, Juno, Vesta, and Pallas Athena came along at the time of the birth of the women's movement in the nineteenth century. Astrologers do work with the myriad of other asteroids as well, but these four, with their associations to four of the most important goddesses, are the "standard" ones in use.

Chiron was discovered in 1977, and was named after the wise Greek centaur who tasted immortality. Chiron lies between Saturn and Uranus and occasionally passes within the orbit of Saturn. At first thought to be a comet or asteroid it is now considered a "planetoid" or small planet-like body.

The astrological portraits of the asteroids and Chiron have emerged through the observations of fascinated astrologers over the last century. This report informs you of their symbolic meaning and gives you insight into how they operate in your own horoscope.

Chiron & the Asteroids in Your Chart

Chiron

The astronomical body, Chiron (once thought to be a comet or asteroid, now considered a "planetoid" or small planet-like body) is named after the ancient Greek, centaur demi-god who was horse from the waist down and human from the waist up. Chiron's orbit, unlike that of the asteroids, lies between Saturn and Uranus, and is irregular in that it occasionally crosses inside the orbit of Saturn. This astronomical characteristic is symbolic of Chiron's reputation for being somewhat of a maverick.

Chiron was no ordinary run-of-the-mill centaur at the mercy of instincts and appetites. He displayed such self-mastery and was so wise and gifted in both the arts of healing and the arts of war and statesmanship, that he found himself mentor to heroes and kings and their sons. His service was of such value that he was granted immortality by the gods. Chance would have it that he was accidentally wounded in the foot by one of his own poisoned arrows, carelessly tossed by one of his fosterlings (Heracles). Since by this time he was immortal, the result of this mishap was that Chiron was condemned by fate to suffer eternally the agonies of a poisoned wound that could not be healed. In order to obtain release from his endless suffering, the wise old centaur decided to relinquish the mantle of immortality that had been bestowed upon him. He gave it, instead, to Prometheus (who needed it to be freed from the punishment he suffered for mocking the gods and stealing their fire). In this way, Chiron embraced death and found release from his suffering.

Astrologically, Chiron's placement in the horoscope indicates one's experience of the wound that does not heal, (or the wound that does not seem to heal, because although an important lesson may be learned through dealing with it, the wound seems to spiral around with another lesson on a deeper level). Chiron represents one's experience of woundedness and the nature of the wound. Second, by coming to terms with suffering through an acceptance of one's mortality, one arrives at a greater state of wholeness or healing. Third, Chiron shows how one comes into one's own as an elder or mentor who can provide healing and guidance to others. Thus Chiron also astrologically indicates the ways and means with which you can guide others, as well as the kind of mentoring and healing you seek for yourself.

Chiron in Aries

When Chiron is in Aries, you associate mentoring and the healing process with the acquisition of courage, initiative, self-sufficiency, and assertive or competitive skills - such as those gained through sports, martial arts and self-defense activities, or the pursuit of independence. This applies to both the kind of mentoring you seek for yourself, and the kind that

you are eventually able to extend to others. You may encounter mentor figures who are bold, exciting, or adventurous. You may feel wounded or inadequate in these traditionally masculine areas of life, or experience an insoluble conflict in regards to these things. Experiences with overt or covert aggression, premature independence, defeat, or loss of courage can evoke your philosophical side and awaken a true sense of wisdom as you struggle to come to terms with the ongoing suffering and the healing sought.

Chiron in 10th House

Chiron in the tenth house indicates that issues of healing, wounding, or mentoring (as described by Chiron's sign placement) play themselves out through the sphere of life that has to do with career and/or social standing. Your profession or career may involve work with healing arts that are holistic or that deal with the reconciliation of the instinctual with the spiritual. Your work may involve mentoring, guidance, or counseling. Your career path may take you through some excruciatingly painful ups and downs before you come into a profession that is healing both for yourself and for others. The inability to fit the executive/business mold or to embrace traditional standards of corporate or "upper class" achievement can be a source of great suffering. Eventually you learn how to integrate and learn from these experiences in such a way that you cyclically reap deeper and deeper healing and wisdom from them.

Mercury Sextile Chiron Orb: 04°26'

Chiron forms a harmonious aspect with Mercury. The Mentor teams up with the Scholar. You appreciate witty "trickster" humor that gets to the core of something or someone more effectively than a direct approach. You may not have a formal education, but are instinctively wise in other ways that you gradually come to appreciate. You are able to accommodate both the rational and the non-rational realms of perceiving. Your conversations, writings, teachings or studies may revolve around issues of mentoring, wounding/healing, the resolution of the instinctual and the sublime or non-dualistic philosophies. You could be involved in teaching those who are wounded or handicapped (especially those with speech or learning disorders).

Venus Square Chiron Orb: 01°23'

Chiron forms a challenging aspect with Venus. There's quite a bit of discord between the wounding/healing story and the whole issue of love, pleasure, beauty, and sensual enjoyment. You may feel that there could not possibly be anything healing about the Feminine. Perhaps you believe that suffering is a woman's lot, or the lot of those who dare to relate with women. On the other hand you may pursue pleasure and "the good life" in order to avoid some necessary healing work that is calling to be done and that, if ignored, leaves you in the place of denial and sabotages your opportunities to enjoy those pleasure pursuits. Or perhaps your concern with mentoring and wounding/healing work leaves no room in your life for pleasure and loving relationships. You may have been wounded in your need to feel loved, valued and appreciated, or to be found beautiful - or perhaps you have been made to feel ashamed of your sensuality or your musical or artistic ability. You may have difficulty feeling or believing that you are loved and valued as a result, even when you are, and thus might have difficulty expressing your own love for others. The way out of such dilemmas lies in learning both to embrace and heal one's woundedness and to accept the need for fun, love, and pleasure. This may seem like a stretch at

first, but every paradox requires a stretch in order to go from conflict to resolution.

Uranus Opposite Chiron Orb: 02°02'

Chiron forms a challenging aspect with Uranus. The wounded healer clashes with the forward thinking rebel who is a proponent of change. You may experience wounding that has to do with issues of the devastation wrought by modern technology or with illnesses that effect the nervous system, meridians, or subtle electro-magnetic energy fields of the human body. Iridology, reiki, acupuncture, and cranio-sacral therapy are some examples of the kinds of subtle-energy healing techniques that may be part of your wounding/healing journey. There may be a wound having to do with an extreme sensitivity to the collective unconscious of humanity and the ideals or thought forms that affect it. This can cause you to be swept away by the tides of social, political, or esoteric movements that promise freedom from certain types of restrictions but often just usher in a new form of enslavement. There may be an attitude of indiscriminate rebellion that leads to a perception of all forms of authority as a threat to freedom. This results in a resistance to the voice of one's own inner authority, and mistaking its promptings towards inner change and growth (which could be painful) for demands for conformity. If this inner voice is betrayed, then you ironically do end up selling out and joining the ranks of the order of the day, new and exciting as they may be. Through dealing with the pain caused by these experiences, you come to learn on a profound level that the only change that leads to freedom is a deep internal change involving one's own thought patterns, for they are the root of the behavioral and emotional habits that unnecessarily limit you. The challenge is to learn to see that both the need for healing and the need for freedom exist within you, and that not only are they not mutually exclusive, the one need cannot be met without fulfilling the other! It's up to you to resolve this paradox. Your ability to do this may enable you to serve as a healer/mentor to others who struggle with similar issues.

Ceres

Ceres is the expression of the Earth Goddess archetype that has been worshipped in many forms by various cultures. This archetype has always been associated with mother earth, harvests, a transformational journey to and from the underworld, rites of passage, and the birth or resurrection of a fertility deity.

The myth of Demeter (da mater or "earth mother") and the sudden abduction of her dearly loved daughter Persephone by the lord of the underworld contains the same universal symbolism as other Earth Goddess myths. These myths may appear, at first, to be early explanations for the changing of the seasons. They are actually wise, rich, symbolic teachings on such profound themes as loss and renewal, death and rebirth, and the endless transformation that constitutes the very laws of creation to which this universe and everything in it adheres.

On a more personal level, the Ceres myth deals with the severance of the bonds of love and/or attachment. When we experience love as we have known it being taken from us, we can feel as if we have been cast into a realm of eternal darkness, never to return to the world of the living again. We may then be unable to let go of the past, reliving it again and again in our minds - protesting and resisting the present, and demanding that it somehow hand over to us the treasure that has been snatched away.

Yet as with Demeter, who chose to forgo her divinity and wander in the world of humans, after which she was reunited annually with her transformed daughter, it is only when we can give up notions of eternal paradise and immortality that we can relinquish old attachments. Only when we have been humbled by and have accepted those mysterious cyclic forces beyond ourselves that we can be restored to a state of plenitude and abundance in the here and now. Then we can truly understand how our cup must be emptied in order to be filled afresh.

Ceres in the birth chart thus describes what one really cares about, and the way one nurtures others (and needs to be nurtured oneself) in a parental kind of way. It also indicates where one may tend to cling, the kind of separations that can be traumatic, and what one may be required to give up (or share with others) in order to grow. It can also indicate the ways in which we seek for something that seems to be missing, something we didn't get enough of, as well as the ways that can help us mourn such a loss. As with Demeter and Persephone, Ceres can also indicate the kind of experience that constitutes a rite of passage - the most profound transformation: the death and rebirth of the self.

Ceres in Taurus

When Ceres is in Taurus, nurturance is conveyed through physical means - cuddles, hugs, and plenty of good food! You may even extend your nurturing instincts to the physical earth itself, through such activities as organic gardening and ecological movements. You may have an "Earth Mother" quality to you, and a green thumb that can make anything grow. Any unfulfilled

needs for physical nurturing at an early age could be a source of grief through which you learn how to provide this for yourself and, thus, for others. On the other hand, this sense of lack can promote the tendency to accumulate material wealth as a kind of unconscious physical substitute. Loss of material security could be a transformative experience for you, one that initiates you into the lessons of loss and return, death and rebirth, and simply letting go.

Ceres in 10th House

Ceres in the tenth house indicates that nurturing is so important to you that it needs to be part of your career (whether or not it's part of your job description). This need to care for others may have its roots in some experience (real or perceived) of parental rejection in your own personal life. The integration of parenting with the pursuit of a career can be an issue that, if not resolved, may lead to the sacrifice of one over the other. Unfulfilled desires to be a parent can be consciously channeled into your career, where you can make use of your great natural ability to care for others. You are "a natural" in such careers as social work, day-care, and herbal/nutritional or health care professions. Issues of nurturance and performance/achievement may have become intertwined, and if so, you could find it transforming and healing to disentangle the two.

Neptune Quincunx Ceres Orb: 01°41'

Ceres forms a challenging aspect with Neptune. Your longing for nurturing bonds blends with your spiritual and transcendent urges in such a way that these two aspects of yourself seem to conflict. Perhaps you feel that close emotional ties prevent you from taking up spiritual or artistic pursuits. Or perhaps you feel that your need for spiritual or transcendent experience makes it impossible for you to maintain nurturing emotional ties; such activities may even become a form of escape from pain about the nurturing experience. Idealism and the deification of nurturing types can put a strain on close emotional relationships and lead you to feel victimized or let down by others. These conflicts may be rooted in your experience (or lack of experience) of the formation and severance of strong emotional ties with the mother or with spiritual, sensitive types. Healing lies in the discovery that both the need for nurturing ties and the need for transcendent experience must be met within yourself, and that without this healing there will be a tendency to attract others who express the repressed need for you (often negatively).

Pallas

As with goddess-myths associated with the other asteroids, the myths that pertain to the warrior goddess Pallas Athena reflect socio-historic upheavals as well as archetypal themes. One of the most interesting aspects of Athena's myth, as it has evolved, is the changing nature of her birth. In her earliest form she was said to have been born of Lake Triton in Libya, home of the legendary amazons. Her worship was brought to the Greek islands much later by the Libyans themselves as they emigrated across the Mediterranean sea. The story of her birth reflected this migration, for she was then said to be born of Metis - a sea goddess. Further evolution of her myth reflects the encounter of the goddess worshipping peoples with the patriarchal people invading Greece from the north: Metis (whose name means Wise Counsel), pregnant with Athena, was devoured by the invaders' god, Zeus, who later gave birth to a fully grown and fully armored Pallas Athena from his head. Later versions of this myth omit altogether any mention of Metis, and depict Athena as having been conceived without a woman's involvement.

Later myth also portrays Athena as bringing about the destruction of both Pallas and Medusa in what appears to be sociological evidence of the attempt to destroy goddess worship. (Pallas, Athena, and Medusa were the three faces of the Libyan version of the triple goddess.) In one of these myths Zeus tricks Athena into killing her Amazonian sister Pallas during a friendly competition. Another myth relates how Athena helped King Perseus to cut off Medusa's head by giving him a mirror to use so he could avoid her deadly gaze. Yet, as much as these myths might have been used as evidence of the wise Athena's denunciation of the Feminine, they also contain symbolism that indicates how Athena preserved the goddess trinity. For, upon the death of Pallas, the grieving Athena placed her sister's name before her own. As for her attitude towards Medusa, she bore Medusa's image upon her breastplate and distributed her blood to healers as a regenerative medicine. The symbolic importance of the mirror in the Perseus-Medusa conflict also hints at Athena's wisdom and gift as a mediator in teaching how to reconcile opposites by seeing in oneself the disowned qualities that are projected onto opponents.

Pallas Athena signifies wisdom and creative problem solving in which a holistic view of conflicting or opposite elements (the Masculine and the Feminine) is required. This sense of fairness is backed up by a willingness to defend or fight for the underdog. Thus Pallas Athena is also associated with fighting for causes. She represents the application of practical skill and creative intelligence in order to best be of service. She was the goddess of war (defense, originally) as well as the goddess of wisdom and culture - patroness of the civilized arts such as pottery, sculpture, weaving, architecture, and animal husbandry. Pallas Athena can also represent the denial of one's own gender in an effort to cope with situations that require the skills of the opposite gender in order to survive, as well as the struggle to rediscover and reconnect with essential qualities of one's own sex. Androgynous conditions and healing through feminine wisdom, energy balancing or conflict resolution are also expressions of the Pallas Athena archetype.

Pallas in Aries

Pallas Athena in Aries denotes perceptive insight or intuitional skill when it comes to taking dynamic action, and the use of your basic drive in initiating projects or causes. You may have a knack for sports, competition, or the expression of forcefulness or anger (difficulty may arise if anger is expressed as passive-aggressive behavior), and it may be important for you to utilize these skills in your career. Your fighting spirit and boundless energy may be employed in the defense of some social, political, or minority group (see Pallas Athena's house position, below), indeed you can be quite a warrior for your cause. Masculinity may be softened by a sophisticated or androgynous quality. Skills in healing or conflict resolution may lie in a creative ability to work with vital energy, chi, or life force (as in various forms of oriental medicine and martial exercise), or with such issues as aggression and wounded masculinity.

Pallas in 9th House

Pallas Athena in the ninth house burns with zeal over philosophical, religious, or legal matters (anything pertaining to the quest for "truth") as well as over matters that broaden the mind: higher education and foreign cultural exchange and travel. You can adapt with ease to a foreign country, language, or philosophy and make yourself quite at home in it, grasping its cultural wisdom and treasures with a knack that impresses its own people. You like to put your skill and understanding of foreign languages and belief systems to practical use, and you have a creative genius when it comes to doing so. You are a wise and practical teacher, and your approach to education expresses this. Difficulties can arise if you express an attitude of fanaticism or crusading over your belief system or cultural interests.

Venus Trine Pallas Orb: 02°18'

The asteroid Pallas Athena forms a harmonious aspect with Venus. The goddess of wisdom and culture meets the goddess of love and they strike up a great friendship! You have an appreciation for the arts, and may have a fine sense of beauty and aesthetic harmony. Your idea of the feminine can encompass assertive and confident worldly or creative accomplishment together with the more sensual, soft female qualities. You may support such issues as women's rights or women's efforts to heal their sexuality.

Uranus Quincunx Pallas Orb: 01°40'

The asteroid Pallas Athena forms a challenging aspect with Uranus. The cultural protectress-patroness of the arts meets the freedom fighter, and lines are drawn in the sand! The need for creative or cultural expression conflicts with the urge for freedom and change. Humanitarian activities or collective enterprises may conflict with one's involvement in mental or artistic pursuits. Revolutionary ideals and rebellious tendencies could be a little over-zealous, with a contempt for creative or cultural concerns which are viewed as the province of the privileged. Or, conversely, socially or culturally "correct" attitudes could be suffocating, though trendy, and create trouble for the individualist who sees things differently. Identification with unconventional gender roles could create chaotic stress or confusion. The nervous system can suffer from excessive mental activity or from the stress of conflicts like those listed here. The answer lies in accepting both the need for artistic/cultural expression and the need for change and individual freedom. This will alleviate the tendency to unconsciously deny one of these needs and then "see the enemy out there."

Pluto Opposite Pallas Orb: 06°04'

The asteroid Pallas Athena forms a challenging aspect with Pluto. Issues of power and self-empowerment are in conflict with creative or socio-cultural interests. Your belonging to a particular cultural or political group may disempower you, oppress, or restrict your creative or mental freedom. Conversely, you may object to certain artistic, mental, or cultural expressions because you find them destructive, abusive, or violent. Psychologically, conflicts in the unconscious mind may result in creative block or sexual difficulties. The issue here is to make room for both cultural/creative expression and the need to learn to handle power and transformative experiences in ways that lead to healing. Otherwise projections can occur that involve power struggles and drain you of energy.

Juno

Juno (whose Greek name is Hera) is an ancient Queen of Heaven Goddess dating from that matriarchal period when the sovereign Deity was female and reigned alone, presiding over the mysteries of birth, motherhood, and the various phases of reproduction. Mythology relates how she was seduced by Zeus, married him out of a sense of honor, endured a marriage characterized by power struggles over issues of fidelity and bearing a line of descent, as well as how she went into retreat occasionally in order to renew and center herself. Her myth parallels the history of social upheaval in the lands where she was worshipped. Northern invaders struggled to impose traditions of patrilineal descent and the worship of their chief god, Zeus, upon the indigenous matriarchal cultures of Mycenaean Greece and Crete. Over a period of hundreds of years of cultural conflict, the two divinities were forced to share the altar. Thus, in addition to her authority over matters pertaining to childbirth and motherhood, Juno has come to be associated with issues of socially acknowledged relationship, legal marriage, marital fulfillment through commitment and fidelity, and the struggle for equality within a relationship. She represents, also, the kind of power struggles that involve controlling the partner through control over offspring, or through the withholding of sex or emotional intimacy. Juno can also represent committed relationships entered into out of a sense of duty, guilt, or for social reasons.

Juno represents both the need for relationship and the refusal to accept inequality within the context of a relationship. She represents the struggle to balance the need for intimacy with the opposing need for freedom - needs which both partners have, although one of these needs may be projected onto the partner. She can also represent the need to take marriage as a sacred trust, a way that leads to spiritual fulfillment through the reconciliation of the opposites in a state of union.

On another level, Juno can represent the way in which one feels rendered powerless by conflict in spite of sincere effort and irreproachable conduct on one's own part. The harder one tries, the more inadequate one's efforts seem to be, for there is a tendency to cling to old methods when circumstances have changed and a whole new paradigm is needed before the way clear can be seen. This frustration can sometimes lead to self-depreciation and loss of faith in oneself. Juno thus symbolizes the transition state between old and new ways of being, where the old fails to meet the needs of the times and the new is not yet manifest. She describes the need for a kind of spiritual self-rejuvenation that is needed in order to see oneself through times of utter disintegration into the future that awaits. Juno in the horoscope thus represents the ways in which we need to renew ourselves, and where our ability to adjust to changing circumstances is most tested.

Since marriage proved to be this goddess' testing ground, Juno in the horoscope also indicates the qualities associated with one's marriage partner and the ways in which one handles intimacy/freedom needs as well as the jealousy and insecurity that often accompany this balancing act. Juno's position describes the nature of any control issues, the ways in which such power struggles get enacted, and the type of sacred cows that need to be relinquished so that the

path to marital fulfillment can unfold. Juno's placement in your chart can refer not only to your mate (or the way that you perceive your mate), but to the relationship and to your own behavior in a committed relationship as well.

Juno in Gemini

With Juno in Gemini, the qualities you need in a committed relationship are versatility, adaptability, and lots of communication and exchange of thoughts and ideas. You appreciate a partner who is intelligent, sociable, and full of interest and information (perhaps because you feel yourself inadequate when it comes to such things). Your or your partner's need for constant change, and possibly for multiple relationships, could be a source of power imbalance issues. Intimacy/freedom needs, childbearing, fidelity, and power issues need to be openly discussed, otherwise there could be a fair amount of fretting and nervous anxiety caused by all kinds of wild imaginings.

Juno in 11th House

Juno in the eleventh house indicates that your committed relationship will involve issues around interactions with clubs, groups, organizations and humanitarian causes. It is important for the relationship that you have these experiences, whether shared by the both of you, or whether one partner be granted the freedom to do so by the other. Behind this is the need for friendship and companionship in your relationship, which can be revitalized through drawing on the friendship of a broad base of people who share your interests and concerns. If not married, this could represent the one who is wedded to a cause in a fully committed way. Alternatives (in relationships, lifestyle, or social concerns) may be important. The qualities described by Juno's sign position (above) indicates the manner in which you can best deal with these issues.

Moon Sextile Juno Orb: 04°32'

Juno forms a harmonious aspect with the Moon. Your emotional and instinctive responses are interwoven with your need for relationships that are intimate and equal. These needs blend in a harmonious fashion. You find it relatively easy to balance the need for freedom with the need for emotional closeness within your relationship. You may be emotionally attuned to your partner's needs, and are able to be supportive and nurturing without compromising your own sense of autonomy or the need for periodic retreat and renewal.

Sun Conjunct Juno Orb: 04°12'

Your Juno is conjunct the Sun. The need for intimacy and a mutually supportive relationship blends with your very sense of identity and creative purpose. Your sense of self is strongly colored by your struggles for equality and autonomy within the relationship. You may associate partnership with the furthering of your essential purpose in life, or perhaps you associate your life-purpose as one of supporting your relationship and your partner's goals. You are attracted to partners with a regal, benevolent, bearing. You may need breaks from your relationship in order to renew your own sense of self and your ability for creative expression.

Mercury Conjunct Juno Orb: 04°43'

Your Juno is conjunct Mercury. Mental urges hook up with the urge to relate intimately and on equal terms. Perhaps you are attracted to intellectual, social, or witty partners. You certainly think it is important to be able to share your thoughts, ideas, and belief systems with your partner. Your words, writings, and thoughts may revolve around issues of equality and autonomy in intimate relationships. You may associate partnership with the cultivation of the mental faculty, or with understanding and being understood. One partner may be a teacher to the other.

Jupiter Sextile Juno Orb: 00°12'

Juno forms a harmonious aspect with Jupiter. Your enthusiasm for Life and your search for meaning in it enhance and are enhanced by the whole issue of committed relationships. One partner may bring out the philosopher in the other, or encourage the other in their quests and explorations, and in faith and optimism in life's journey. Your intimate relationships may benefit from higher education, traveling, or cultural exchanges. Your own philosophical attitude about the balance of power in relationships may be supportive to your partner (or vice versa).

Vesta

The asteroid Vesta (Latin) is named after the ancient Greek goddess Hestia, first born of the Olympian deities and last released by her father Cronos (father Time), who at one point swallowed all his offspring. Thus she denotes the beginning and the end - alpha and omega - and serves as a reminder of the source from which all things originate and to which all must return. She represents the preservation of sacredness and the state of connection to formless Essence. As such, she is the only Olympic deity not worshipped anthropomorphically; she is symbolized only by the altar and its sacred flame. Thus she also represents any sacred space - be it temple, sweat lodge, or meditation corner - that acts as a container in which we may center ourselves, and feel the presence of Spirit. In ancient times Vesta was worshipped both in the city center as the flaming altar, and in every home as the central hearth whose embers were literally passed on down through the generations from mother to daughter when the daughter married and established her own hearth. In this manner Vesta came to represent the perpetuation of the spark of life, and of civilization and one's ancestral and cultural roots.

In early matriarchal societies, priestesses honoring Hestia maintained a connection to this spiritual essence (represented by a sacred flame that they tended night and day). They offered themselves in sacred sexual union in order to teach the divine aspect of sexuality and the need to remain aware of the sacred while engaged in physical life. The priestesses remained unmarried and committed to none but themselves and their worship. Their sons (conceived anonymously during ceremonial summer solstice rites) served as year-kings when there was no royal heir. These customs were finally abolished when patrilineal traditions were enforced and the priestesses were compelled by the Roman king to serve as keepers of the new (patriarchal) civilization and to observe vows of celibacy. To break these vows entailed a cruel death penalty. In exchange for the relinquishment of their sexuality, matrilineal customs, and true spiritual function, the priestesses (Vestal Virgins) were granted freedom from paternal control.

Vesta's sacred flame represents, in the yogic tradition, the kundalini force which, when properly awakened and channeled, leads to spiritual development. Thus, astrologically, Vesta has come to represent both spirituality and consecrated (or desecrated) sexuality. This can include a wide range of sexual expressions such as abstinence, renunciation and celibacy, the celebration of spiritually honored sexuality, sexual idealism, and the sacred whore. Astrologically, Vesta stands for that which provides us with inner sustenance; the way in which we are pulled back to our core or inner self; and the struggle between this and the demands of the outer world. Vesta represents the way in which we long to bless others with the fruits of the spiritual resources we have found within ourselves, but it is also the need to retreat and preserve our inner sanctuary against any disrespectful intrusion. Vesta is associated with dedication, focus, and commitment. She represents those things that helps us focus, the way in which we dedicate ourselves with heart and soul, and that for which we are ready (or compelled) to make a sacrifice. The things indicated by Vesta's position in your chart may be things that you feel compelled to give up or sacrifice, often out of a sense of spiritual compulsion. Yet they can also be the very things that

evoke your dedication - leading to a sense of deep inner fulfillment when you are willing to make some sacrifices on their behalf. Keep this paradox in mind as you read on, for Vesta can express itself one way or the other - or both!

Vesta in Pisces

Vesta in Pisces indicates that imagination, spiritual inspiration, and the visionary help you focus and center yourself. You use them to go inward, get in touch with yourself, and tap into your sense of dedication, which is then committed to artistic, healing, spiritual, or service activities (described further by Vesta's house position, below). When focused, you may experience uncommon psychic states that others don't understand or condone. You are capable of following spiritual practices that require celibacy. Yet, paradoxically, it is through spiritual awareness that you are also capable of experiencing the most sacred and fulfilling aspects of sexual union. Vesta's position in the sign of Pisces is perhaps the most descriptive of the ancient vestal priestesses; like them, you may feel called upon to offer your inspiration in service to others. If you experience your sexuality as an aspect of your spirituality, then sexual intimacy may be a part of how you help others experience ecstasy or spiritual fulfillment. It is possible that you become so involved in other worldly pursuits that you lose sight of the goal they are meant to serve. If so, you may have trouble finding a focus, fulfilling your commitments, or engaging in spiritual or inspiring work that serves a useful purpose. This can be compounded by a tendency to blame others for this state of affairs. You then end up feeling spiritually unbalanced and out of touch with yourself. By learning to anchor your flights of spirit in a sense of inner spiritual presence, you can renew your dedication to inspiring work that serves others in a useful way.

Vesta in 9th House

Vesta in the ninth house indicates that sacrificial dedication and intense focus are centered around your belief system, life purpose, or search for truth, and possibly on the dissemination of teachings regarding such matters. The sense of sacrifice that you experience concerning these issues could be expressed either as denying yourself these things for the sake of some other goal (which may be spiritual or religious in nature), or as an intense one-pointed focus and sacrificial dedication to these very things themselves. If this focus is disconnected from your sense of inner centeredness, you can feel thwarted in your efforts to achieve true expansion of mind, perhaps because you become obsessed or fanatical in your views, and thus lose your sense of broadmindedness. Your belief system could revolve around political, educational, philosophical, legal, or spiritual issues. It might also be concerned in some way with the reconciliation of spirituality and sexuality, or with religious attitudes toward sexuality. Careful consideration of these activities or issues will help you understand how to best manage your sense of commitment and remain centered in your self.

Mercury Square Vesta Orb: 00°41'

Your Vesta forms a challenging aspect with Mercury. There's conflict between the intellect and sacred fire issues. You might experience educational or learning stresses due to an over-focused or under-focused mind, or due to the inability to dedicate yourself to an educational system that kindles no inspiration. An over-emphasis on the mind and rational thought processes

may leave you feeling spiritually or sexually undernourished. You may feel mentally challenged by the spiritual or sexual values of others, or spiritually or sexually constrained by an overly rigid belief system. There may be difficulty in verbally communicating your thoughts about spiritual or sexual matters. The answer lies in trying to find ways to both feed your mind and feed your need to burn with a great passion.

Venus Trine Vesta Orb: 06°31'

Your Vesta forms a harmonious aspect with Venus. The capacity for dedication and self-sacrifice is enhanced by your sense of pleasure and beauty. You are able to integrate your intense focus on your commitments with the need for pleasure and some healthy self-pampering. You can infuse your intimate relationships with a sense of the sacred, and experience ecstasy through the sensual and the sexual. Your ability to concentrate and focus your energies can be used to support your artistic or aesthetic activities.

Saturn Trine Vesta Orb: 04°16'

Your Vesta forms a harmonious aspect with Saturn. The need for commitment to a cherished goal and your capacity for self-sacrifice are nicely complemented by your sense of discipline and realism. You are able to take a balanced approach towards the integration of career/breadwinner activities with issues of spiritual commitment and/or sexual fulfillment. You can balance your outer worldly life with the fire of inspiration that burns within. Your organizational ability and your sense of duty can be put to use in the support of that which connects you to the sense of the sacred.

This sums up your report for Chiron and the asteroids in your chart. An astrological chart is like a blueprint of the human psyche, with its great and dramatic cast of archetypes. And each human psyche is like a unique, one-of-a-kind carpet woven from many beautiful threads of many different colors. Chiron and the asteroids are five of those threads.

This report has described each of those five threads by house and sign, and has even described what happens when one of those threads is intertwined with other single threads (the other planets). And this does give you some kind of overall picture. But the best way to understand the pattern that all the threads make in their weaving of the whole unique carpet, is to consult an astrologer skilled in chart interpretation. The astrologer can make a big difference in helping you piece together the puzzle of your chart so that, in the end, you can see the beautiful carpet where once, perhaps, all you saw was a tangle of threads. Hopefully, this report will help you to understand some of the magical threads that are woven into your life.