

Three Month Transits

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Sun	Gemini	28°Ge52'	10th	01 21°Vi13'
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Mercury	Cancer	20°Ca53'	10th	03 20°Sc35'
Venus	Leo	14°Le15'	11th	04 21°Sg20'
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Jupiter	Leo	05°Le09'	11th	06 21°Aq58'
Saturn	Aries	11°Ar29'	07th	07 21°Pi13'
Uranus	Virgo	20°Vi31'	12th	08 20°Ar03'
Neptune	Scorpio	22°Sc03'	03rd	09 20°Ta35'
Pluto	Virgo	18°Vi06'	12th	10 21°Ge20'
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Traditional astrologers "make predictions." Often they are correct. But right or wrong, "predictions" turn you into a marionette, with the planets holding your strings. And in my opinion, that is not a very inspiring description of the way the cosmos works, nor a very accurate one. You are vastly more powerful than that. You can, to a great extent, shape your own life. That at least is my belief. The future isn't crystallized. It's a wavering, quivering web of possibilities. How will they manifest? Much depends upon how you wield the magical wild card we call your freedom.

So, what's the use of astrology? In a nutshell, it can help you make better choices. The planets never give a definitive answer to the question "What will happen to me?" Instead, they ask the question. But they ask the question in a very specific way: "Given everything you are, all the bridges you've crossed, all the contracts you've signed, there are several possibilities for what you might do next..." In other words, "Here's the menu. What are you having?"

Question mark.

And the question mark is the most important part of the whole inquiry, because that's where the uncertainty -- and your freedom -- lies. But the planets do even more. They offer advice. In a sense, they recommend certain choices over others. They seem biased toward your evolution. They often suggest that you take the less familiar path, the one that moves you into richer fields of your own potentiality. The planets express this rather philosophical bias in a very concrete way. Typically, when you make a less energetic response to a planetary question, the results, while initially comfortable, rapidly turn painful. Sometimes the pain is immediate and dramatic, as in the collapse of an important relationship. Other times, it's more subtle, as in the degeneration of life into deadening boredom and ritual. Either way, sooner or later we know you made a wrong turn somewhere.

In the pages that follow, we will be exploring the coming months of your life from this planetary perspective. There are three parts to the report, and any or all of them may be included here, depending on which have been requested. First, the big questions. In the part of the report called THE INVITATION, we try to get that "mountain-top" perspective that enables us to make sense of the details. In THE MEANS, we turn our attention to some secondary factors that offer suggestions, help, and support in responding to those big questions. And finally, we'll look at the report period month-by-month, day-by-day, to get some ground-level insight into THE DETAILS. Your report may be for three, six, nine, or twelve months and may include any or all three sections just described. For this reason, and because some years in your life are astrologically more active than others, report length can vary quite a bit.

Throughout the following text, I'll be endeavoring to write in plain English, but if you're unfamiliar with the jargon of astrology, you'll encounter a few words that may require definition. A "transiting" planet, for example, refers to the actual, current position of that planet in the sky. Sometimes the transiting planets form critical geometric angles with the "natal" planets in the birthchart, triggering developmental questions in your life. These critical angles are called "aspects."

The "progressed" planets function in much the same way as the transiting planets, but we approach them a little differently. They're like a script that's been built into your birthchart. Just as we know that an oak tree will emerge from an acorn and bring forth its leaves in season, similarly each person's birthchart contains within it the seeds of certain predictable developmental stages. Progressions spell out those stages.

So sit back, open your mind, and engage your heart. It's time to consider...

The Invitation

Some years loom large in our memories decades down the road; others are blurry, easily forgotten. That universal human reality is reflected in the movements of the planets -- astrologically speaking, one year is often far more significant than another, just as in life. Most of the really important celestial factors move rather slowly; thus, it's not unusual to experience a time in which none of them have gone critical, when we can calmly keep on putting one foot after the other, on "cruise control."

Well, for you this is definitely not that kind of year. Something truly pivotal is occurring...

Tr. Saturn is Opposite Moon

In effect: Apr 4, 2002 - Apr 24, 2002

Peak Date(s): Apr 14, 2002

The planet Saturn is currently casting a gray light on your circumstances -- but is it the bleak gray of sorrow or the clear, comforting gray of wisdom and digested experience? That's the choice. Saturn is classically viewed as the "bad" planet, the "Greater Malefic." Don't believe it! Used correctly, its transits can bring dignity and self-respect. Essentially, Saturn is about maturity. The part of your life that's being touched by the Saturnian energies needs to grow up...which, despite the lies we're all told, is not a process one mysteriously completes on one's twenty-first birthday. There is an area of your life where you have simply outgrown yourself, at least inwardly. The task now is to adjust your outward circumstances to reflect the maturity you've already attained psychically and invisibly. It is a material problem, not fundamentally a psychological one. To succeed, there is first a need to face reality squarely, even if it's unsavory. Then to make a hard choice...that is, to reach an emotional bottom line and not be crippled by your awareness of the ambiguities in your situation. And finally, in a spirit of commitment, persistence, and self-discipline, to claim those circumstances in your life which reflect the hard

inner work you've been doing over the last few years. That's Saturn in general. Specifically, Saturn is opposite your natal Moon: Apr 14, 2002.

Let's begin deciphering this configuration with the understanding that the action driving these existential developments is showing up in the part of your life we call the Ninth House. That's where Saturn is currently making its influence felt, thus bringing events to bear upon you. Typically, when the "House of Long Journeys" is stimulated, life is eventful and expansive in tone. You are challenged to stretch out toward new experiential horizons through travel and educational efforts -- to toss hand grenades into the well-oiled machinery of your life. Why? Because deep down inside, you are starting to get bored with yourself! The key question with which you must wrestle is this: which adventure is the right one? Astrology cannot answer precisely, but here's one helpful hint -- to travel the right new road and thus refresh your spirit, you will need every ounce of the energy of Saturn that you can muster. It's that kind of adventure, that kind of stretching, that is appropriate for you now. But what's the core issue? What part of your own life is at stake? To answer that, we turn our attention to the Moon, which is being invited into development by the invigorating, exhilarating impact of these new perceptions.

Astrology is the basic "programming language" of human consciousness. That may seem like a bold claim, but it's easily tested and proven. Pick someone who imagines he or she knows nothing at all about astrology. Ask them what the Moon means. After an initially dumbfounded look, you'll probably get an answer such as, "I dunno...feelings?" Which is quite correct. The mind naturally associates the Moon with darkness, with moonlight...and therefore with ghosts and romance, magic and tears, vulnerability and exhilaration: emotions. Deep inside us all is a subjective realm. Love and hate, joy and sorrow, dwell there. So do our daydreams and our creativity. If we could "average" a person's mood over a lifetime, we'd have an excellent profile of his or her Moon. When the Moon is triggered into development by a passing transit or progression, your inner life is stimulated. You feel stirred up. Powerful currents of emotional energy, for weal or woe, are released into your psyche. The very basis of happiness for you is evolving.

It's helpful, of course, for you to embrace the power of the Moon positively in all departments of your life. But ever since you were born, one area has always stood out in that regard -- the Third House, which is where the Moon was located when you took your first breath in Honolulu, HI. There, in the area of communication, that energy is most critical. What you say, how clearly you express it, and how well you are heard are the issues currently experiencing developmental pressure. Finding your voice and using it are basic spiritual concerns for you; now they are being invited to take a quantum leap.

The geometric angle or "aspect" involved in the process we are studying is, as we said, the opposition. Not surprisingly, this suggests that the natal planet and the moving one are 180 degrees apart. Tension is thus woven into the spirit of this period of your life. The two forces we described are polarized, which often translates emotionally into a feeling of being damned if you do, and damned if you don't. How can you break the logjam? Recognize that any impossibilities you are experiencing in this area probably arise from an incomplete or biased perspective. The opposition aspect always calls for a leap into a new, more accepting level of consciousness. Something is missing in your view of the problem -- and that missing link (here's the corker...)

lies in the wisdom embodied by those people or situations that are now antagonizing you. It's not that they're right and you're wrong; only that the truth that can carry you beyond this impasse lies somewhere between the two positions.

Tr. Uranus is Trine Sun

In effect: Apr 14, 2002 - continuing

Peak Date(s): sometime after the report period.

The planet Uranus is presently stirring the pot of your life, and that always promises a tumultuous passage, peppered with unexpected developments and encounters. Outwardly, Uranus is the wild card, bringing unpredictable and unforeseen events into the picture. Inwardly, it signals a time of accelerated individuation...that is, a time in which who you really are and what you truly want are rapidly emerging and defining themselves. A portion of what you imagined to be your identity has, in fact, little to do with you; it is a side-effect of your social training, nothing more. And, like training wheels on a kid's bike, you are now ready to dump it. This has an unsettling effect upon not only yourself, but also those around you. Often during Uranian periods there is a distinct "changing of the guard" in our social circles; old relationships end, new ones appear. Claim your right to be yourself -- that's the essence of the transiting Uranus. Whatever it touches, changes. Trust the changes! Like a hard wind blowing the sand off a buried city, they are revealing who you actually have been all along. That's Uranus in general. Specifically, Uranus is trine your natal Sun: sometime after the report period..

Our first step is to realize that the action and the developmental invitation are manifesting in the Sixth House, for that's the region of your birthchart through which Uranus is now passing. This tells us that duties and responsibilities are currently being emphasized in your life, and that their mood is the same as that of Uranus, which we just described. The effect of these external, often somewhat self-sacrificial requirements is to pull your attention away from yourself and place it on the needs of others. But what's the core issue? What part of your own life is being stimulated into development by these services you're offering others? To answer that, we turn our attention to the Sun, which is being triggered by this period of hard work, giving, and supporting.

The Sun, as astronomers tell us, is the center of the solar system. Everything spins around it. With its enormous gravity, the Sun holds the entire system together. In a parallel way, the astrological Sun represents the gravitational center of your personality. Your ego. Your identity. The part of you that gets up in the morning and, without even a single sip of coffee, knows its name, rank, and serial number. Those same astronomers inform us that without the Sun's radiant energy, life as we understand it would cease to exist. Again, astrological meaning follows astronomical fact: the Sun symbolizes that spark of life inside you, your elemental vitality. Enthusiasm, energy, recuperative powers -- all these are solar themes. Thus, when the natal Sun is triggered in an important way, two critical questions come up for review: who are you, and what really makes you want to get out of bed in the morning?

In what way do those notions connect with your present circumstances? Understand that the Sun occupies the Tenth House of your natal chart, an area which refers to issues of career, status, and your public role...concerns which are currently undergoing considerable developmental pressure and change. All positive steps in terms of profession or your place in the community

hold one point in common: they move you further and further in the direction of the Sun, as we just described it. Any work that will prove enduringly satisfying invokes the considerable energies of the Sun in you; any work that does not embody them will turn out to be transitory or deadening.

As we said, the aspect involved in the event we just described is the trine, which refers to a 120 degree angle between the natal planet and the moving one. Trines are traditionally viewed as positive aspects, and in fact they generally do correlate with opportunities. Additionally, their existence implies that support is available to you, if you are willing to move to claim it. And therein lies the rub with the so-called "good" aspects. They're not very dynamic. Just as pain is a more powerful motivator than contentment, the trick with trines lies in taking advantage of them before the wheel turns and their potential vanishes. With regard to the developments we described in the previous few paragraphs: a door is now open, a red carpet rolled out...but don't count on everything remaining that way forever.

Tr. Neptune is Sextile Moon

In effect: Apr 15, 2002 - Jun 9, 2002

Peak Date(s): sometime after the report period.

The planet Neptune is presently tinting and shading your biography, adding its dreamlike quality to the existential stew. Close your eyes; there's a world in there. That's Neptune, the planet of consciousness itself. Now open your eyes. There's a world out there too, and it's hard to ignore it. In fact, the outer world has become so pressing in its demands that you've partly lost contact with the inner one. But Neptune, transiting through sensitive territories for you now, is fixing that. Your inner world is so full it's brimming over, overflowing its banks into your daily life. If you resist the process, you'll find a host of Neptune problems plaguing you: losing the car keys, forgetting to pay the electric bill, having the attention span of a three-year-old on a sugar jag. But there's an alternative: trust the process. Slow down. Meditate. Let the images come. Mould opinions. Breathe in, breathe out. Why? Because your unconscious mind has a message for you. It has to do with the possibility of happiness for you over the next few years, about how old sources of joy are drying up and -- critically -- about new ones you must learn to recognize. How do you receive the message? You stop resisting. You simply let it in. That's Neptune in the broad sense. How is it effecting you specifically? Neptune is sextile your natal Moon: sometime after the report period..

First, factor in that the action and the developmental invitation are unfolding in the Fifth House, for that's the region of your birthchart through which Neptune is now passing. Immediately, the focus on Fifth House energies suggests that you are currently entering an existential territory that requires creativity, unabashed self-expression, and experimental audacity. Your "inner child" is a little cranky now, demanding some fun and some self-indulgence, all of which is entirely necessary and appropriate to your journey at the present time. Thus, life's pleasures -- games, vacations, sports, loving interactions -- deserve attention now. Whether you know it or not, you need a boost...and you'll get it in part from the "playmates" and "new toys" of the nature of Neptune that are now passingly, fleetingly available to you. Don't let them get away! But what's the core issue? What part of your own health hinges on this renewal? To answer that, we turn our attention to the Moon, which is being invited into development by

this period of playful, celebratory creativity.

The natal Moon -- that, as we have seen, represents your inner life, your emotions, moods, and attitudes.

Your Third House figured previously in this report. Now we see it being triggered again, which tells us that one vitally important concern for you at present involves simple communication -- and that means listening as well as expressing yourself. Expect messages, perhaps even disconcerting ones, which embody the tone and nature of the Moon.

The aspect pervading the event we've just considered is, as we observed, a sextile. Technically, that refers to a geometric angle of 60 degrees between the natal planet and the moving one. Sextiles are traditionally viewed as "good" aspects. Certainly, they're exciting. There is a mood of eagerness regarding the process we're exploring here -- and that's glorious, provided you're wary of the excessive impulsiveness that sextiles sometimes breed. In any case, the spinning wheel of circumstances can be counted on to provide some fortuitous, unexpected opportunities for you during this period. You'll have to be quick to seize them, though. They're real, but they're short-lived.

Tr. Saturn is Square Ascendant

In effect: Jun 22, 2002 - continuing

Peak Date(s): Jun 30, 2002

Saturn played a role earlier in this account. Now it emerges again, in a new way. To refresh your memory, Saturn is ultimately the planet of maturity. It always places a strong emphasis upon hard work, decisive choices, and persistence. Saturn currently is square your natal Ascendant. The energies crest Jun 30, 2002.

Let's begin deciphering this configuration by recognizing that the action driving these existential developments is showing up in the part of your life we call the Ninth House, which we encountered earlier in the report, for that is where Saturn is currently making its influence felt. This suggests that events and opportunities involving travel, education, and a general expanding of your horizons are now occurring, and that you could definitely use the breath of fresh air they'll create if you go ahead and, in the spirit of Saturn, take the leap of faith for which they're calling. But what's being triggered inside you? What part of you will benefit most deeply from such exploration and expansion? The answer lies with the Ascendant, which is being invited into development during this time of questing adventure.

Like the rest of us, you are a complicated, paradoxical individual, full of contradictions and undercurrents. That's human. But another part of being human is that, like the rest of us, you need to get out of bed in the morning and put on a streamlined, simplified social mask that allows you to function in the social beehive. There's no way that you can have a truly intimate relationship with every face you see in your daily life, nor would you likely want such connections. So we all keep much of what we really are behind our astrological Ascendant, which symbolizes that mask. Physically, it is simply the sign that was dawning in the east at the instant of your birth...and symbolically it represents how you "dawn" on people who don't know you very well. When triggered by a passing transit or progression, the Ascendant signals the need to make some adjustments in the way you present yourself in the social world, so that your

outer appearance remains reasonably aligned with who you have become inwardly. The work is superficial; which is not to say unimportant. Often it has to do with changing how you hold your body, the way you speak, and the clothes you wear.

The aspect connected with the astrological process we're investigating here is the square, as we have seen. The square, traditionally characterized as an unfortunate aspect, describes a geometric angle of 90 degrees between the natal planet and the moving trigger. To call squares "bad" is misleading. More accurately, they are compelling. In the area of your life we're considering, a terrific friction has arisen. It's not comfortable, but it is an extremely effective motivator. The trick in using the energy creatively lies in moving decisively -- determining precisely what you want, claiming it, and letting the rest go. A season of tough choices is upon you. Regarding the process we described in the previous paragraphs, there are costs involved in all the courses available to you...the most costly, for all concerned, being the course of indecision.

What we've considered above is the underpinning of this phase of your life. It's truly elemental material -- the stuff of which milestones are made. There's no guarantee that astrological forces of such magnitude will be activated for everyone all the time. What follows is an analysis of some slightly less portentous dimensions of your astrological picture...less portentous, but still powerful enough to qualify as part of this year's "Invitation."

Try to see what follows in the light of all that's gone before...

Pr. Moon aligns with the Seventh House cusp

Date: Apr 28, 2002 - Continuing

You don't need to be an astrologer to know what the Moon means. Just engage your imagination. Immediately, the mind free-associates. Moon: night...feelings...falling in love...seeing a ghost... And that's pretty much what astrologers throughout history have said: the Moon represents your interior life, your "heart." Like all astrological factors, the Moon progresses, taking a little over a quarter of a century to make one circuit around the chart. It typically spends a couple of years in each sign or house, and eventually forms aspects with all the planets. How do we read it? Simple: at any given moment the progressed Moon tells us where your heart is. Or, to be a little less schmaltzy about it, the Moon says where your attention is. What is concerning you. Where your growth experiences are unfolding -- which is often to say where you're experiencing challenges, upsets, or opportunities to regroup and express yourself in new ways. Being an emotional factor, the progressed Moon always refers to areas of heightened sensitivity. Intuition comes to the forefront. Instincts must be followed. Somehow the unconscious mind has gotten ahead of conscious awareness, and now conscious awareness is catching up, following the trail of intuitive clues and impulses laid down by the wise, dark interior of your spirit.

How is the progressed Moon currently impacting on you? It aligns with the Seventh: Apr 28, 2002.

Partnership -- that's the heart of the Seventh House. Relationships are the central theme, but only those which meet certain specific criteria. Seventh House relationships represent bonds

between people who view each other as equals. They are open-ended, which is to say they are not dependent for their continuation on passing circumstances. And they always have a certain magic, a sense of a special rapport. They are not necessarily erotic or romantic bonds; close friendships count too.

When you experience Seventh House stimulation, as you certainly are now with the Moon entering it, at least one point is certain: you have reached a juncture in your life in which, if you are to go forward, you must get some help. Being human, you wear blinders -- there are certain truths and realities you are inclined to miss, just as the artist might miss a business opportunity while the businessperson is missing a glorious sunset. Most of the time such blinders are, in fact, an advantage: they enable us to focus on our own journeys. But when the Seventh House is triggered, you must internalize another person's point of view -- a person in this case whose nature is that of the Moon.

These people always appear right on schedule. Generally, we are drawn to them like iron to a magnet...at first. But then the work begins. Learn to listen, to compromise, and to share. Don't be too cautious about depending on those you love. Sometimes the help you are offered is quite practical -- someone comes into your life with knowledge or connections that can benefit. Other times, the help is harder to pin down: your partner heals something in you, or inspires you. Whatever form the tale takes, everything hinges upon your ability to recognize your natural soulmates and then to trust them.

Tr. Pluto is Square Pluto

In effect: in progress - May 4, 2002

Peak Date(s): sometime before the report period.

The planet Pluto is shading the spirit of your life nowadays, and in a nutshell that means that you are being challenged to heal. Pluto, as you probably know, is the lord of the underworld...or to put it more succinctly, the God of Hell. And it is disquieting, to say the least, to imagine that this deity is currently dining at your table. But take heart! The "hell" inside you needs airing out, and that is essentially what this transit is about. You've been hurt. You've been used, abused, rejected, exploited, lied to...the whole sad litany. And, like the rest of us, you've sometimes had to keep the proverbial stiff upper lip and simply get on with your life. But where does all that hurt go? Down deep into the unconscious mind, where it stays until you're clear enough and strong enough to handle resurrecting it and really going beyond it. Pluto's action is to bring up buried emotions. Its tone is intense. It often feels moody and confrontative. It can destabilize and disrupt the areas of your life that it's touching. The best course is to resolve to go deeper and deeper, truth above kindness and resolution over comfort. It's not easy, but in the end the energizing and empowering of the psyche make the process worthwhile. What is Pluto actually doing? Currently it is square your natal Pluto. Although Pluto is a slow-moving planet and usually unfolds its story over a period of two or three years, during the period of this report the action peaks sometime before the report period..

Let's first consider that the action and the developmental pressures are rooted in the Third House, for that's where Pluto is currently located in your chart. And what does that mean? That new information is coming your way, and that it may be somewhat shocking, unexpected, or at least fresh. It will modify your plans and make you aware of new possibilities. The news may

come to you through any of the media or through a messenger, either of which may possess the tone of Pluto, as we just described it. But what's the issue? What part of your own life is scheduled to be impacted most strongly by this new data? To answer that, we turn our attention to Pluto, which is being invited into development by this flood of input.

Everyone has fears. Everyone has shames and wounded places. In you and me and everyone else, there are marks left by the times we've been lied to, abandoned, used, or exploited. It's not the world's cheeriest subject, but turning away only empowers those Plutonian hurts, gives them more latitude to influence your life. When your natal Pluto is triggered by a passing transit or progression, dark shadows are stirred within you. It's a signal that forgotten, unprocessed, or repressed elements of your personal history are asking to be investigated. The procedure requires intensity, honesty, and emotional courage. The results are worth the effort. If you work well with these energies, you emerge stronger, clearer, and often with renewed inspiration. If you hesitate, it's not unusual for the old wounding dramas to be re-enacted in your life.

The Twelfth House is where Pluto lies in your natal chart, and it is currently undergoing a lot of evolutionary emphasis. It is critical that you make an effort to get in touch with the energies of Pluto in yourself at this point. You need them, and you actually do have them available to you, but they've got a pattern of slipping away from your conscious control. Don't let it happen! Meditate on Pluto! Draw pictures of it and tape them to the refrigerator! Do what it takes to avoid shooting yourself in the foot, which is what will happen if you let circumstances bamboozle you out of these healing, balancing energies.

When Pluto forms an aspect with its own natal position in your chart, a crisis in perspective arises. There is something old and tired about the values by which you've been living, and a kind of reconsideration and renewal is necessary if the feeling of meaningfulness in your daily life is not to be lost. In what do you really believe? Be careful not to answer reflexively. Think, reflect, and make it the sort of truth you could say looking God in the eye five seconds after you've died.

The two factors, as we mentioned, are linked by a square -- traditionally seen as a "bad" aspect, but more accurately seen as simply frictional. Squares generally suggest tough choices, external pressures, and at least some stress.

Tr. Saturn is Square Pluto

In effect: May 29, 2002 - Jun 14, 2002

Peak Date(s): Jun 6, 2002

Saturn played a role earlier in this account. Now it emerges again, in a new way. To refresh your memory, Saturn is ultimately the planet of maturity. It always places a strong emphasis upon hard work, decisive choices, and persistence. Saturn currently is square your natal Pluto. The energies crest Jun 6, 2002.

Let's begin deciphering this configuration by recognizing that the action driving these existential developments is showing up in the part of your life we call the Ninth House, which we encountered earlier in the report, for that is where Saturn is currently making its influence felt. This suggests that events and opportunities involving travel, education, and a general expanding of your horizons are now occurring, and that you could definitely use the breath of fresh air they'll create if you go ahead and, in the spirit of Saturn, take the leap of faith for which

they're calling. But what's being triggered inside you? What part of you will benefit most deeply from such exploration and expansion? The answer lies with Pluto, which is being invited into development during this time of questing adventure.

The natal Pluto -- that, as we have seen, symbolizes your own native capacity to probe into yourself and heal yourself. It always deals with the hurts associated with the humiliations and defeats that life has offered us, and the process of going beyond them.

Your Twelfth House demanded our attention above; now we see it playing a part again, once more suggesting that the quality of your inner life is what's really at stake in the situation we're considering. Under such a stimulus, many times the most appropriate step includes a strategic retreat...and a realization that something inside you is wise enough, spiritual enough, transcendent enough to sustain losses with impunity, even with generosity. To move positively in the present environment, renew your sense of the sacred by withdrawing and immersing yourself in the spirit of Pluto, a planet which is functioning something like an inner guide for you in this lifetime.

When sober-minded Saturn gets involved with dark-hearted Pluto, you'll have little patience for fluffy, frilly superficiality. This is a serious moment, something of a day of reckoning. Truths must be recognized and told. Lies must be illuminated, and demons named. You are ready. The situation is pressing. It will not go away or improve of its own accord. Take responsibility, move decisively, and do what must be done.

The two factors, as we mentioned, are linked by a square -- traditionally seen as a "bad" aspect, but more accurately seen as simply frictional. Squares generally suggest tough choices, external pressures, and at least some stress.

Tr. Saturn is Square Uranus

In effect: Jun 17, 2002 - continuing

Peak Date(s): Jun 25, 2002

Saturn played a role earlier in this account. Now it emerges again, in a new way. To refresh your memory, Saturn is ultimately the planet of maturity. It always places a strong emphasis upon hard work, decisive choices, and persistence. Saturn currently is square your natal Uranus. The energies crest Jun 25, 2002.

Let's begin deciphering this configuration by recognizing that the action driving these existential developments is showing up in the part of your life we call the Ninth House, which we encountered earlier in the report, for that is where Saturn is currently making its influence felt. This suggests that events and opportunities involving travel, education, and a general expanding of your horizons are now occurring, and that you could definitely use the breath of fresh air they'll create if you go ahead and, in the spirit of Saturn, take the leap of faith for which they're calling. But what's being triggered inside you? What part of you will benefit most deeply from such exploration and expansion? The answer lies with Uranus, which is being invited into development during this time of questing adventure.

There's a wild card in everyone, a rebellious, independent, free-spirited force that hates neckties and phony courtesies and all the slick moves that keep corporations and families from

splitting apart. Astrologers call it Uranus. Stripped to its essence, this part of your astrological psyche is concerned primarily with the process of individuation, which boils down to whittling away all the parts of yourself which have arisen almost accidentally as side effects of your social background. When stimulated by transits or progressions, Uranus triggers your rebellions. It asks you to shed something unauthentic, unreal, or limiting in your life. Often it brings lightning-quick developments and unexpected circumstances. Almost always, there is a confrontation between you and some figure of authority, past or present.

Your Twelfth House demanded our attention above; now we see it playing a part again, once more suggesting that the quality of your inner life is what's really at stake in the situation we're considering. Under such a stimulus, many times the most appropriate step includes a strategic retreat...and a realization that something inside you is wise enough, spiritual enough, transcendent enough to sustain losses with impunity, even with generosity. To move positively in the present environment, renew your sense of the sacred by withdrawing and immersing yourself in the spirit of Uranus, a planet which is functioning something like an inner guide for you in this lifetime.

When Saturn interacts with Uranus, avalanche is the ruling metaphor. "Stuck" situations can only stay stuck for so long; sooner or later, when enough water builds up behind the logjam, something's got to give. Expect explosive developments, and prepare for them in two ways. The first: through dispassionate analysis you can anticipate eventualities and have some tactics for damage-control in place. The second: through imaginative forethought you can recognize some exciting emerging possibilities and be ready to seize them.

The two factors, as we mentioned, are linked by a square -- traditionally seen as a "bad" aspect, but more accurately seen as simply frictional. Squares generally suggest tough choices, external pressures, and at least some stress.

Tr. Saturn is Conjunct Midheaven

In effect: Jun 23, 2002 - continuing

Peak Date(s): sometime after the report period.

Saturn played a role earlier in this account. Now it emerges again, in a new way. To refresh your memory, Saturn is ultimately the planet of maturity. It always places a strong emphasis upon hard work, decisive choices, and persistence. Saturn currently is conjunct your natal Midheaven. The energies crest sometime after the report period..

Let's begin deciphering this configuration by recognizing that the action driving these existential developments is showing up in the part of your life we call the Ninth House, which we encountered earlier in the report, for that is where Saturn is currently making its influence felt. This suggests that events and opportunities involving travel, education, and a general expanding of your horizons are now occurring, and that you could definitely use the breath of fresh air they'll create if you go ahead and, in the spirit of Saturn, take the leap of faith for which they're calling. But what's being triggered inside you? What part of you will benefit most deeply from such exploration and expansion? The answer lies with the Midheaven, which is being invited into development during this time of questing adventure.

Doctor, lawyer, Indian chief -- we all play some kind of role in our community. Sometimes

you're paid for it; sometimes you do it for the principle of the matter. The public "hat" you wear is symbolized by the natal midheaven. Physically, it's the highest point in your birthchart, and it corresponds to the most outward, obvious dimensions of your life: your profession, your status, your social role. When it is stimulated by a transit or a progression, you are advised of some impending evolution or revolution in your style of hat, so to speak. Much depends on the nature of the progressed or transiting planet, but certainly some adjustments must be made in your outward life to reflect more adequately those inner developments which have already taken place.

As we mentioned, the aspect involved in the event we just described is the conjunction, which refers to a precise alignment between the natal planet and the moving trigger. Thus, the process emphasizes fusion, integration, and synthesis. Of all the possible aspects, the conjunction is the most intense. The explosion rattles your outward circumstances; but it originates inside you, and puts you in the driver's seat. It is appropriate for you to claim some new level of power, of self-expression, and of autonomy. If you don't, no one will do it for you; and the opportunity will evaporate.

Tr. Jupiter aligns with the Eleventh House cusp

Date: Jun 25, 2002 - Continuing

The planet Jupiter is currently coloring your circumstances. Before we say exactly how, let's attempt to understand the more general significance of any Jupiter event. Essentially, this is a call to recognize an opportunity. Traditional astrologers view it more starkly -- to them, it is simply the planet of luck. And that is often the case: the toast does tend to land butter-side up when Jupiter is crossing sensitive territories. But the real, evolutionary meaning lies deeper. One key is that Jupiter is future-oriented...it is concerned with bright, unexplored possibilities. Stripped to its bones, Jupiter always asks one primary question: how have you been underestimating yourself? Its transits signal a time when new opportunities come into existence, but to seize them you must recognize that you deserve them, that you are capable of rising to them, and that old deals and compromises are finished. Trust yourself, have faith in life, and go for it: that's the spirit of Jupiter. How is it affecting you? Jupiter is conjunct your natal Eleventh House cusp: Jun 25, 2002.

Setting priorities -- that's the core of the Eleventh House process. Where do you go from here? What do you really want? A paradox lies at the heart of this phase of your journey. You've accomplished a lot...in many ways you're in an enviable position, harvesting the fruits of long effort. But there's a sense of anticlimax woven into your accomplishments. The truth of it is that your dreams are coming true -- but they are old, burned-out dreams from long ago. You are running on momentum from the past, and that's nothing to be ashamed of. However, with Jupiter entering this part of the chart, you are now invited to host a strategy-session with yourself.

Behind the well-oiled machinery of your life, behind the web of social relationships and responsibilities you've woven, there is a basic sense of directionlessness, rendered invisible to others by the successful, energetic appearance of your life. Outwardly, the old answers still work fine, but the truth is they don't satisfy you any more. You've outgrown them. Can you seize the chance to make a quantum leap? Can you take the initiative and claim a new level of creativity, of public respect, of visionary inspiration and leadership?

Those are the questions woven into the foundation of your current circumstances. To answer them in a positive, sustainable, life-enhancing way you need to figure out exactly what you want...and the answer lies right in the crosshairs of Jupiter, as we just described it. Tremendous physical and creative energies are available to you, along with a wide array of resources and useful alliances...if only you'll tap into the main line of conscious, self-aware choice in the spirit of Jupiter. It boils down to one eternal truth: to get what you want, you must know what you want.

The Means

If you happen to have a cold on the day you win the lottery, will that taint your memory of the big event? Probably not. Ten years later, you will have forgotten your runny nose. Ten minutes later, more likely.

Life and memory work that way. We prioritize certain kinds of events, experiencing them more vividly and remembering them far longer than the trivial and the predictable. The details of a typical Monday morning aren't going to last as long in the memory banks as images of your moment of glory or your darkest hour.

In exactly the same way, not all astrological events have the same impact. What we have considered so far are all first-string milestones in your life. The rest of what we'll be considering is less central -- but that's not to say unimportant. What follows is a set of supplementary transits and progressions, presented chronologically. They're not quite as profound in their implications as what we've seen, but they're not without emotional and existential consequences. If what we have explored in the previous pages can be viewed as an evolutionary invitation, then, to that lofty end, what follows is....

"The Means"

As you'll see, each of these events stands as significant in its own right. But their deepest meanings lie in the way they interact with what we've considered in the pages above, enhancing and sometimes complicating the broader developmental patterns.

Cards on the table: you can skim the next several pages and, I think, learn some things about the coming months that will prove prophetic...and more importantly, helpful. But the real magic lies in putting all the pieces together, synthesizing them in your heart into an emotional whole -- just like you've done with, say, memories of a special summer long ago. No computer can do that for you.

Your own creativity, your own reflections on the material we're covering, your own translations, additions, corrections, amendments, and meditations -- these are what make the difference.

Let's continue.

Tr. Saturn is Sextile Saturn

In effect: Apr 1, 2002 - Apr 21, 2002

Peak Date(s): Apr 12, 2002

Saturn played a role earlier in this account. Now it emerges again, in a new way. To refresh your memory, Saturn is ultimately the planet of maturity. It always places a strong emphasis upon hard work, decisive choices, and persistence. Saturn currently is sextile your natal Saturn. The energies crest Apr 12, 2002.

Let's begin deciphering this configuration by recognizing that the action driving these existential developments is showing up in the part of your life we call the Ninth House, which we encountered earlier in the report, for that is where Saturn is currently making its influence felt. This suggests that events and opportunities involving travel, education, and a general expanding of your horizons are now occurring, and that you could definitely use the breath of fresh air they'll create if you go ahead and, in the spirit of Saturn, take the leap of faith for which they're calling. But what's being triggered inside you? What part of you will benefit most deeply from such exploration and expansion? The answer lies with Saturn, which is being invited into development during this time of questing adventure.

Getting kicked out of the nest, one way or another, is an elemental part of life. Faced with the stark, unyielding actualities of the "real world," you either die then and there or get on with the cunning, calculating business of staying alive. To accomplish either of those ends, you activate the energies of your natal Saturn: your self-discipline, your patience, and your practicality...if you choose survival. And if you choose to give up, you withdraw into fear and probably get into a mood of despair and defeat. When Saturn is triggered by passing transits or progressions, it signals a time in which hard work is appropriate, necessary, and the best insurance for happiness. Often it suggests that the circumstances or even people who have been a significant part of your past must now be left behind, making way for a more mature expression of your identity.

Your Seventh House occupied our thoughts earlier in these pages; now we see it triggered again, suggesting that at the center of the circumstances we're considering there exists a fundamental inter-dependency: what you must do, you cannot do alone. A pair of ideas figure here: The first is that by emphasizing the spirit of Saturn in your closest relationships, you improve them. The second is that your natural partners are themselves people of the nature of Saturn, and that should help you recognize them.

When Saturn interacts with its own natal position, as we observe here, commitment is the highest path, and the one which brings the most joy in the long run. At some level, a vow is called for now...at least a vow to yourself. It will take effort, and the effort will be costly and exhausting. But it will be worth it. We hear so much about "being in touch with the inner child." Good advice, but not now. Saturn is about being in touch with the inner adult, which is to say, being in touch with determination, patience, and your own core moral values.

The two factors, as we mentioned, are linked by a sextile -- traditionally seen as a "harmonious" or "mutually enhancing" aspect, often full of fast-paced events and emotional stimulation.

Pr. Moon is Square Midheaven

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In effect: Apr 2, 2002 - Jun 1, 2002
Peak Date(s): May 2, 2002

The progressed Moon figures in our thinking again. As you may recall, the Moon shows what you are feeling. It gives us insight into your mood, concerns, and general attitude...into "where your heart is," in other words.

Our first step is to realize that the action and the developmental invitation are manifesting in the Sixth House, for that's the region of your birthchart through which the Moon is now passing. This tells us that duties and responsibilities are currently being emphasized in your life, and that their mood is the same as that of the Moon, which we just described. The effect of these external, often somewhat self-sacrificial requirements is to pull your attention away from yourself and place it on the needs of others. But what's the core issue? What part of your own life is being stimulated into development by these services you're offering others? To answer that, we turn our attention to the Midheaven, which is being triggered by this period of hard work, giving, and supporting.

How is the progressed Moon currently impacting on you? It is square your natal Midheaven: May 2, 2002. In thinking about this, remember that progressions are slow-motion events, and that this event simply peaks then; it will be affecting your mood for a period of two or three months on either side of that date.

The natal Midheaven -- that, as we have seen, represents the role you play in your community. It is connected primarily to two territories: your work and your reputation.

Your Tenth House came up earlier; now we see it in the spotlight again, once more informing us that the deepest, most essential factors in the situation we're considering all revolve around your role in the world -- your profession or job, your political (or metapolitical!) activities...in general, the image that strangers have of you. And what do right choices look like here? A large part of the answer lies with the Midheaven, a planet we described above, whose basic nature and values underlie what we might call your "Cosmic Job Description."

The two factors, as we mentioned, are linked by a square -- traditionally seen as a "bad" aspect, but more accurately seen as simply frictional. Squares generally suggest tough choices, external pressures, and at least some stress.

Pr. Moon is Opposite Uranus

In effect: in progress - May 7, 2002
Peak Date(s): Apr 7, 2002

The progressed Moon figures in our thinking again. As you may recall, the Moon shows what you are feeling. It gives us insight into your mood, concerns, and general attitude...into "where your heart is," in other words.

Our initial step is to realize that the motion and the developmental invitation are manifesting in the Sixth House. We've met that house before, and it figures in our analysis again, for that is the house through which the Moon is currently passing. Obligations and responsibilities are emphasized now in your life, and the mood they create is the same as that of the Moon, which we just described. But what are the core questions? What part of you is being called into the

service of others? The answer lies with Uranus, which is being triggered during this season of giving, of supporting others, and of plain hard work.

How is the progressed Moon currently impacting on you? It is opposite your natal Uranus: Apr 7, 2002. In thinking about this, remember that progressions are slow-motion events, and that this event simply peaks then; it will be affecting your mood for a period of two or three months on either side of that date.

The natal Uranus -- that, as we have seen, represents your natural, uncensored individuality and your ability to claim and defend it.

Your Twelfth House demanded our attention above; now we see it playing a part again, once more suggesting that the quality of your inner life is what's really at stake in the situation we're considering. Under such a stimulus, many times the most appropriate step includes a strategic retreat...and a realization that something inside you is wise enough, spiritual enough, transcendent enough to sustain losses with impunity, even with generosity. To move positively in the present environment, renew your sense of the sacred by withdrawing and immersing yourself in the spirit of Uranus, a planet which is functioning something like an inner guide for you in this lifetime.

When the Moon is alloyed with Uranus, a mood (Moon) of rebellion, defiance, and independence (Uranus) fills the psyche. Deep in your heart, words are forming: "Why, for two cents I'd..." This is a delicate combination, easily an explosive one. What is happening is that something of your true individuality is making itself felt -- but not necessarily understood. The impulses now flooding your mind will ultimately prove useful and valid, but it's good to let them marinate for a few weeks or months before moving precipitously to Thule.

The two factors, as we mentioned, are linked by an opposition, which suggests some kind of tension or tug-of-war between them. You are asked to adjust your position, to adapt to the demands of the world around you, and to find a middle-ground between the various opposing needs and values.

Pr. Moon is Trine Mercury

In effect: in progress - May 19, 2002

Peak Date(s): Apr 19, 2002

The progressed Moon figures in our thinking again. As you may recall, the Moon shows what you are feeling. It gives us insight into your mood, concerns, and general attitude...into "where your heart is," in other words.

Our initial step is to realize that the motion and the developmental invitation are manifesting in the Sixth House. We've met that house before, and it figures in our analysis again, for that is the house through which the Moon is currently passing. Obligations and responsibilities are emphasized now in your life, and the mood they create is the same as that of the Moon, which we just described. But what are the core questions? What part of you is being called into the service of others? The answer lies with Mercury, which is being triggered during this season of giving, of supporting others, and of plain hard work.

How is the progressed Moon currently impacting on you? It is trine your natal Mercury: Apr

19, 2002. In thinking about this, remember that progressions are slow-motion events, and that this event simply peaks then; it will be affecting your mood for a period of two or three months on either side of that date.

Your quickness, your alertness, your curiosity -- those are the dimensions of your life dominated by the planet Mercury. To say that Mercury represents your intelligence is quite accurate, but it's more connected to the natural style of your intelligence: not so much how smart you are as what interests you, and how your intelligence can be employed most pleasurably and efficiently. Intimately linked to such cerebral concerns is the question of your ability to communicate, since ideally there is some relationship between speech and forethought. Thus Mercury, the traditional Messenger of the Gods, is associated with both thought and conversation. When stimulated by a passing transit or progression, Mercury tends to speed up the flow of data in your life. You learn. You listen. You speak. Often events move at a hasty pace, and there's a feeling of excitement mixed with over-extension.

Your Tenth House came up earlier; now we see it in the spotlight again, once more informing us that the deepest, most essential factors in the situation we're considering all revolve around your role in the world -- your profession or job, your political (or metapolitical!) activities...in general, the image that strangers have of you. And what do right choices look like here? A large part of the answer lies with Mercury, a planet we described above, whose basic nature and values underlie what we might call your "Cosmic Job Description."

When the Moon is alloyed with Mercury, a mood (Moon) of curiosity and restlessness (Mercury) fills the psyche. Boredom, never a pleasant prospect, becomes intolerable. You are, quite appropriately, hungry now for mental stimulation, for learning, and for fascinating conversations with intelligent, open-minded people. Trust your own inquisitiveness; it will lead you in unexpected, but delightful directions.

The two factors, as we mentioned, are linked by a trine -- traditionally seen as a "good" aspect, but more accurately seen as simply enhancing or supportive. Generally speaking, with trines there is an opportunity...but to seize it, you must supply the initiative.

Pr. Moon is Trine Neptune

In effect: Apr 24, 2002 - Jun 23, 2002

Peak Date(s): May 24, 2002

The progressed Moon figures in our thinking again. As you may recall, the Moon shows what you are feeling. It gives us insight into your mood, concerns, and general attitude...into "where your heart is," in other words.

Our initial step is to realize that the motion and the developmental invitation are manifesting in the Sixth House. We've met that house before, and it figures in our analysis again, for that is the house through which the Moon is currently passing. Obligations and responsibilities are emphasized now in your life, and the mood they create is the same as that of the Moon, which we just described. But what are the core questions? What part of you is being called into the service of others? The answer lies with Neptune, which is being triggered during this season of giving, of supporting others, and of plain hard work.

How is the progressed Moon currently impacting on you? It is trine your natal Neptune: May 24, 2002. In thinking about this, remember that progressions are slow-motion events, and that this event simply peaks then; it will be affecting your mood for a period of two or three months on either side of that date.

Close your eyes. Don't think of anything at all. Just be aware of all that infinite, dark space. Welcome to Neptune. In your natal chart, it represents the part of you that knows how to enter trance, to meditate, or to "space out." Everybody's got one, and everybody experiences that part of their consciousness from time to time. When triggered by transits or progressions, Neptune asks you to let go, to allow material to enter your mind uncensored and unstructured. It's more akin to feeling than thinking, but neither word captures it perfectly. Dreaming is the closest analogy...a sort of free-associative state in which your own mind works like an unpredictable movie theater. Why bother? Because such an astrological event signals that your unconscious mind or, if you prefer, your soul has an important message and is trying to get in touch with you.

Your Third House figured previously in this report. Now we see it being triggered again, which tells us that one vitally important concern for you at present involves simple communication -- and that means listening as well as expressing yourself. Expect messages, perhaps even disconcerting ones, which embody the tone and nature of Neptune.

When the Moon blurs into Neptune, a season of strong dreams is upon you. Creativity and inspiration are at a peak. Cultivate them by giving yourself quiet, meditative time. In narrowly practical terms, your efficiency is down now. You are probably experiencing some forgetfulness. Don't worry, it will pass -- but so will the positive potential of this period. Grab it before it goes! Rarely will your visionary imagination be so fertile. Dream, and make note of your dreams. Soon enough a time will come to act on them.

The two factors, as we mentioned, are linked by a trine -- traditionally seen as a "good" aspect, but more accurately seen as simply enhancing or supportive. Generally speaking, with trines there is an opportunity...but to seize it, you must supply the initiative.

Tr. Jupiter is Square Saturn

In effect: Apr 27, 2002 - May 9, 2002

Peak Date(s): May 4, 2002

Jupiter figured earlier in this analysis. Now we meet it again. As you may recall, this is the planet of possibilities and the seizing of opportunities. Jupiter currently is square your natal Saturn. The action peaks May 4, 2002.

Currently Jupiter is steering a course through your Tenth House. That's the traditional "House of Career," and any planet passing through that part of your natal chart suggests that external developmental pressures are now arising which have the effect of modifying your place in the world. Something is brewing in your profession or vocation, or in your social status -- the way you look to people who don't really know you very well. What is it? We can't say exactly, but to respond optimally to the potentials and challenges built into this event, you'll need to act according to the spirit of Jupiter, as we just described it. But what's the core issue? What part of your own life is at stake? To answer that, we turn our attention to Saturn, which is being invited into development by these professional or social openings.

The natal Saturn -- that, as we have seen, symbolizes your capacity for self-discipline and patience. Generally, it marks an area where you will be challenged to achieve excellence...or tempted to give up and sink into sorrow and self-pity.

Your Seventh House occupied our thoughts earlier in these pages; now we see it triggered again, suggesting that at the center of the circumstances we're considering there exists a fundamental inter-dependency: what you must do, you cannot do alone. A pair of ideas figure here: The first is that by emphasizing the spirit of Saturn in your closest relationships, you improve them. The second is that your natural partners are themselves people of the nature of Saturn, and that should help you recognize them.

When Jupiter interacts with Saturn, you experience an odd confluence of providential fortune (Jupiter) and daunting impediments (Saturn). Essentially, something very good is available to you now, but to attain it you must undertake a herculean effort. More profoundly, that effort itself will crystallize a very specific transformation in you: it will grant you the dignity of your advancing maturity.

The two factors, as we mentioned, are linked by a square -- traditionally seen as a "bad" aspect, but more accurately seen as simply frictional. Squares generally suggest tough choices, external pressures, and at least some stress.

Tr. Saturn is Sextile Venus

In effect: Apr 28, 2002 - May 15, 2002

Peak Date(s): May 6, 2002

Saturn played a role earlier in this account. Now it emerges again, in a new way. To refresh your memory, Saturn is ultimately the planet of maturity. It always places a strong emphasis upon hard work, decisive choices, and persistence. Saturn currently is sextile your natal Venus. The energies crest May 6, 2002.

Let's begin deciphering this configuration by recognizing that the action driving these existential developments is showing up in the part of your life we call the Ninth House, which we encountered earlier in the report, for that is where Saturn is currently making its influence felt. This suggests that events and opportunities involving travel, education, and a general expanding of your horizons are now occurring, and that you could definitely use the breath of fresh air they'll create if you go ahead and, in the spirit of Saturn, take the leap of faith for which they're calling. But what's being triggered inside you? What part of you will benefit most deeply from such exploration and expansion? The answer lies with Venus, which is being invited into development during this time of questing adventure.

Venus is the goddess of love, of peace, and of the arts. In each domain, balance is the ideal. Deep in your psyche, there is a place that seeks the comfort of balance and equilibrium, whether through shared fondness with another human being, an hour's peace in the garden, or the rapture that sometimes arises as we immerse our hearts and minds in something beautiful. That inner circuit is your natal Venus. When it is stimulated, we often see experiences arising which prophesy a change in your relationships, in what gives you serenity, or in your aesthetic experiences.

While the energies of Venus that we just described are obviously positive qualities for everyone, they play an especially personal part in your own well-being, looming larger and larger in your life as you mature. That's because Venus lies in your natal Eleventh House, which pertains to your future, to your healthiest priorities, and to your most sustainable long-term strategies, all of which are well-described by that planet. Under the current stimulation of Venus, an evolution in your goals is occurring, rendering some old dreams obsolete or complete as new, sometimes unexpected desires and values begin to make themselves felt. It is a season of re-orientation.

When Venus collides with Saturn, a season of vows and boundaries in your intimate life is upon you. It's helpful now to remember that grown-up love is more than an emotion; it's also a commitment, a discipline, and a promise to be honored even in the face of difficulties or passing estrangements. Take some time alone now; you probably need it. Be clear and be serious, and don't let anyone trick you into taking positions you outgrew years ago.

The two factors, as we mentioned, are linked by a sextile -- traditionally seen as a "harmonious" or "mutually enhancing" aspect, often full of fast-paced events and emotional stimulation.

Pr. Moon is Opposite Ascendant

In effect: in progress - May 28, 2002

Peak Date(s): Apr 28, 2002

The progressed Moon figures in our thinking again. As you may recall, the Moon shows what you are feeling. It gives us insight into your mood, concerns, and general attitude...into "where your heart is," in other words.

Our initial step is to realize that the action and the developmental invitation are manifesting in the Seventh House, for that's the region of your birthchart through which the Moon is currently passing. This informs us that you have come to a turning point in your biography, but one whose successful navigation depends upon your receptivity to counsel, or more simply, your willingness to let another person influence you. "Soulmates" will appear at critical junctions. Recognize them through their resemblance to the Moon, which we just described. But what's the core issue? What part of your own life is at stake? To answer that, we turn our attention to the Ascendant, which is being invited into development by the advent of these pivotal people.

How is the progressed Moon currently impacting on you? It is opposite your natal Ascendant: Apr 28, 2002. In thinking about this, remember that progressions are slow-motion events, and that this event simply peaks then; it will be affecting your mood for a period of two or three months on either side of that date.

The natal Ascendant -- that, as we have seen, represents your style, how you go about translating your inner worlds into the two-dimensional framework of daily social interactions.

Always, it's advantageous for you to incorporate the force of the Ascendant positively in all parts of your life. But one area has always stood out in that regard -- the First House, which is where the Ascendant lies in your natal chart. There, in the area of assertiveness and personal power, the right use of that energy is most critical. In many situations you must react, respond,

and play the cards you're dealt. But not in the First House. Here, you're in the driver's seat...and there are certain experiences you must claim for yourself, experiences of the nature of the Ascendant, even if the people about whom you care call you selfish for doing so.

The two factors, as we mentioned, are linked by an opposition, which suggests some kind of tension or tug-of-war between them. You are asked to adjust your position, to adapt to the demands of the world around you, and to find a middle-ground between the various opposing needs and values.

Tr. Jupiter is Sextile Pluto

In effect: Jun 3, 2002 - Jun 12, 2002

Peak Date(s): Jun 8, 2002

Jupiter figured earlier in this analysis. Now we meet it again. As you may recall, this is the planet of possibilities and the seizing of opportunities. Jupiter currently is sextile your natal Pluto. The action peaks Jun 8, 2002.

Currently Jupiter is navigating your Tenth House. That's the traditional "House of Career," as we've already discovered, and it tells us that something of the nature of Jupiter is brewing in your profession or vocation, or in your social status. To respond optimally to the potentials and challenges built into this event, you'll need to act according to the spirit of Jupiter, as we just described it. Being true to yourself is the challenge, as is generally the case in life. But your public life, with all its superficialities and practical pressures, is perhaps the hardest place in which to live up to that ideal. To succeed here, pay special attention to Pluto, which is being invited into development during this time of professional or public reorientation.

The natal Pluto -- that, as we have seen, symbolizes your own native capacity to probe into yourself and heal yourself. It always deals with the hurts associated with the humiliations and defeats that life has offered us, and the process of going beyond them.

Your Twelfth House demanded our attention above; now we see it playing a part again, once more suggesting that the quality of your inner life is what's really at stake in the situation we're considering. Under such a stimulus, many times the most appropriate step includes a strategic retreat...and a realization that something inside you is wise enough, spiritual enough, transcendent enough to sustain losses with impunity, even with generosity. To move positively in the present environment, renew your sense of the sacred by withdrawing and immersing yourself in the spirit of Pluto, a planet which is functioning something like an inner guide for you in this lifetime.

When Jupiter gets hooked up with Pluto, think big and claim a victory. One is available, if you move decisively and know exactly what you really want. And therein lies the rub. All of us experience humiliating losses, insults, and defeats in the course of life. As you adapt to living with them, an attitude of disempowerment or futility can creep in. Conquering that mind-set is the real aim here. The truth is that psychologically you need a triumph now -- and synchronistically, the universe is ready to cooperate.

The two factors, as we mentioned, are linked by a sextile -- traditionally seen as a "harmonious" or "mutually enhancing" aspect, often full of fast-paced events and emotional

stimulation.

Tr. Saturn is Trine Mars

In effect: Jun 4, 2002 - Jun 19, 2002

Peak Date(s): Jun 11, 2002

Saturn played a role earlier in this account. Now it emerges again, in a new way. To refresh your memory, Saturn is ultimately the planet of maturity. It always places a strong emphasis upon hard work, decisive choices, and persistence. Saturn currently is trine your natal Mars. The energies crest Jun 11, 2002.

Let's begin deciphering this configuration by recognizing that the action driving these existential developments is showing up in the part of your life we call the Ninth House, which we encountered earlier in the report, for that is where Saturn is currently making its influence felt. This suggests that events and opportunities involving travel, education, and a general expanding of your horizons are now occurring, and that you could definitely use the breath of fresh air they'll create if you go ahead and, in the spirit of Saturn, take the leap of faith for which they're calling. But what's being triggered inside you? What part of you will benefit most deeply from such exploration and expansion? The answer lies with Mars, which is being invited into development during this time of questing adventure.

Sheer animal vitality -- that's Mars. In your natal chart, it represents your boldness and your pluckiness: what gets your blood flowing. Or boiling. All passions are linked to Mars. Anger and your ability to defend your boundaries are part of the picture. So is your inner fire -- your enthusiasm, your intensity, your sexual desire. When triggered by a passing transit or progression, Mars often signals a "go for it" situation developing in your life, but to make the best of it, you'll need to be brave and assertive. Such transits or progressions can also warn you of upcoming battles, and in general it's wiser to seize the initiative rather than surrender your power to the whimsies of circumstance.

Your First House came up earlier; now we see it stimulated again, once more suggesting that the deepest, most central factors in the situation we're considering all hinge upon the choices you make and the stands you take. "Who are you?" -- that's the essential question. And, at least for now, a big chunk of the answer lies with Mars, a planet whose needs, interests, and predilections always figure prominently in your smartest, most self-aware moves.

When Mars collides with Saturn, your patience is tried. The situation is frustrating; you want to move quickly, but circumstances simply do not allow it. You may have to lose a battle to win a war; you might have to wait for someone else to make a move -- or to shoot himself in the foot. Think strategically; remember your ultimate goals in the situation, and don't allow temperamental impatience to trick you into an imprudent blunder.

The two factors, as we mentioned, are linked by a trine -- traditionally seen as a "good" aspect, but more accurately seen as simply enhancing or supportive. Generally speaking, with trines there is an opportunity...but to seize it, you must supply the initiative.

Tr. Jupiter is Square Mars

In effect: Jun 6, 2002 - Jun 16, 2002

Peak Date(s): Jun 11, 2002

Jupiter figured earlier in this analysis. Now we meet it again. As you may recall, this is the planet of possibilities and the seizing of opportunities. Jupiter currently is square your natal Mars. The action peaks Jun 11, 2002.

Currently Jupiter is navigating your Tenth House. That's the traditional "House of Career," as we've already discovered, and it tells us that something of the nature of Jupiter is brewing in your profession or vocation, or in your social status. To respond optimally to the potentials and challenges built into this event, you'll need to act according to the spirit of Jupiter, as we just described it. Being true to yourself is the challenge, as is generally the case in life. But your public life, with all its superficialities and practical pressures, is perhaps the hardest place in which to live up to that ideal. To succeed here, pay special attention to Mars, which is being invited into development during this time of professional or public reorientation.

The natal Mars -- that, as we have seen, indicates your courage, or at least an area of your life where you'll need it!

Your First House came up earlier; now we see it stimulated again, once more suggesting that the deepest, most central factors in the situation we're considering all hinge upon the choices you make and the stands you take. "Who are you?" -- that's the essential question. And, at least for now, a big chunk of the answer lies with Mars, a planet whose needs, interests, and predilections always figure prominently in your smartest, most self-aware moves.

When Jupiter energies interact with Mars energies, opportunity coincides with the need for assertiveness. There is something here for you to claim; but to succeed, you'll have to be brave. A "paper tiger" figures somehow in the situation: something that's not nearly as scary as it may initially appear.

The two factors, as we mentioned, are linked by a square -- traditionally seen as a "bad" aspect, but more accurately seen as simply frictional. Squares generally suggest tough choices, external pressures, and at least some stress.

Tr. Jupiter is Sextile Uranus

In effect: Jun 14, 2002 - Jun 24, 2002

Peak Date(s): Jun 19, 2002

Jupiter figured earlier in this analysis. Now we meet it again. As you may recall, this is the planet of possibilities and the seizing of opportunities. Jupiter currently is sextile your natal Uranus. The action peaks Jun 19, 2002.

Currently Jupiter is navigating your Tenth House. That's the traditional "House of Career," as we've already discovered, and it tells us that something of the nature of Jupiter is brewing in your profession or vocation, or in your social status. To respond optimally to the potentials and challenges built into this event, you'll need to act according to the spirit of Jupiter, as we just described it. Being true to yourself is the challenge, as is generally the case in life. But your public life, with all its superficialities and practical pressures, is perhaps the hardest place in which to live up to that ideal. To succeed here, pay special attention to Uranus, which is being

invited into development during this time of professional or public reorientation.

The natal Uranus -- that, as we have seen, represents your natural, uncensored individuality and your ability to claim and defend it.

Your Twelfth House demanded our attention above; now we see it playing a part again, once more suggesting that the quality of your inner life is what's really at stake in the situation we're considering. Under such a stimulus, many times the most appropriate step includes a strategic retreat...and a realization that something inside you is wise enough, spiritual enough, transcendent enough to sustain losses with impunity, even with generosity. To move positively in the present environment, renew your sense of the sacred by withdrawing and immersing yourself in the spirit of Uranus, a planet which is functioning something like an inner guide for you in this lifetime.

When Jupiter interacts with Uranus, unanticipated opportunities arise. It's as though the Cosmos manifests as Santa Claus; gifts are given to you, often completely "out of the blue." Accept them. The psycho-spiritual theme here lies in loving yourself enough to embrace abundance, and many times the test comes and passes so quickly that success depends more upon reflexive self-confidence than upon any philosophical "position papers" about self-esteem.

The two factors, as we mentioned, are linked by a sextile -- traditionally seen as a "harmonious" or "mutually enhancing" aspect, often full of fast-paced events and emotional stimulation.

Tr. Jupiter is Conjunct Mercury

In effect: Jun 16, 2002 - Jun 25, 2002

Peak Date(s): Jun 21, 2002

Jupiter figured earlier in this analysis. Now we meet it again. As you may recall, this is the planet of possibilities and the seizing of opportunities. Jupiter currently is conjunct your natal Mercury. The action peaks Jun 21, 2002.

Currently Jupiter is navigating your Tenth House. That's the traditional "House of Career," as we've already discovered, and it tells us that something of the nature of Jupiter is brewing in your profession or vocation, or in your social status. To respond optimally to the potentials and challenges built into this event, you'll need to act according to the spirit of Jupiter, as we just described it. Being true to yourself is the challenge, as is generally the case in life. But your public life, with all its superficialities and practical pressures, is perhaps the hardest place in which to live up to that ideal. To succeed here, pay special attention to Mercury, which is being invited into development during this time of professional or public reorientation.

The natal Mercury -- that, as we have seen, symbolizes your intelligence, your capacity to communicate, and your fundamental curiosity.

Your Tenth House came up earlier; now we see it in the spotlight again, once more informing us that the deepest, most essential factors in the situation we're considering all revolve around your role in the world -- your profession or job, your political (or metapolitical!) activities...in general, the image that strangers have of you. And what do right choices look like here? A large part of the answer lies with Mercury, a planet we described above, whose basic nature and values

underlie what we might call your "Cosmic Job Description."

When Mercury hobnobs with Jupiter, an attitude of expansiveness (Jupiter) pervades the mind (Mercury). You are challenged now, like an optimistic Sherlock Holmes, to be alert to possibilities. Think inventively, think positively, and think big: that's the spirit. In some way, you have been underestimating your intelligence, verbal skills, or general competence. Recognize that, and change it.

The two factors, as we mentioned, are linked by a conjunction -- the most powerful of the geometric aspects and one that suggests convergence, intensification, and often a new beginning.

Tr. Jupiter is Sextile Ascendant

In effect: Jun 18, 2002 - Jun 27, 2002

Peak Date(s): Jun 22, 2002

Jupiter figured earlier in this analysis. Now we meet it again. As you may recall, this is the planet of possibilities and the seizing of opportunities. Jupiter currently is sextile your natal Ascendant. The action peaks Jun 22, 2002.

Currently Jupiter is navigating your Tenth House. That's the traditional "House of Career," as we've already discovered, and it tells us that something of the nature of Jupiter is brewing in your profession or vocation, or in your social status. To respond optimally to the potentials and challenges built into this event, you'll need to act according to the spirit of Jupiter, as we just described it. Being true to yourself is the challenge, as is generally the case in life. But your public life, with all its superficialities and practical pressures, is perhaps the hardest place in which to live up to that ideal. To succeed here, pay special attention to the Ascendant, which is being invited into development during this time of professional or public reorientation.

The natal Ascendant -- that, as we have seen, represents your style, how you go about translating your inner worlds into the two-dimensional framework of daily social interactions.

The two factors, as we mentioned, are linked by a sextile -- traditionally seen as a "harmonious" or "mutually enhancing" aspect, often full of fast-paced events and emotional stimulation.

Tr. Jupiter is Trine Neptune

In effect: Jun 22, 2002 - continuing

Peak Date(s): Jun 26, 2002

Jupiter figured earlier in this analysis. Now we meet it again. As you may recall, this is the planet of possibilities and the seizing of opportunities. Jupiter currently is trine your natal Neptune. The action peaks Jun 26, 2002.

Currently Jupiter is navigating your Tenth House. That's the traditional "House of Career," as we've already discovered, and it tells us that something of the nature of Jupiter is brewing in your profession or vocation, or in your social status. To respond optimally to the potentials and challenges built into this event, you'll need to act according to the spirit of Jupiter, as we just described it. Being true to yourself is the challenge, as is generally the case in life. But your

public life, with all its superficialities and practical pressures, is perhaps the hardest place in which to live up to that ideal. To succeed here, pay special attention to Neptune, which is being invited into development during this time of professional or public reorientation.

The natal Neptune -- that, as we have seen, symbolizes pure consciousness. It is the mystical planet, the part of your being that receives inspiration and, depending on your metaphysical tastes, either inner guidance or divine direction.

Your Third House figured previously in this report. Now we see it being triggered again, which tells us that one vitally important concern for you at present involves simple communication -- and that means listening as well as expressing yourself. Expect messages, perhaps even disconcerting ones, which embody the tone and nature of Neptune.

When Jupiter consorts with Neptune, there's a cliché that should never be too far from your mind: all that glitters is not gold. Don't be tempted by "extraordinary possibilities" now, at least not without a careful look at the fine print, a consultation with a sober friend, and a painstaking effort to consider worst-case scenarios. What is really going on here is that a bright new vision is slowly forming inside you. It's real -- or more accurately, it's going to be real. Don't mistake its glowing emotional aura for something that is actually, physically, available in the present context.

The two factors, as we mentioned, are linked by a trine -- traditionally seen as a "good" aspect, but more accurately seen as simply enhancing or supportive. Generally speaking, with trines there is an opportunity...but to seize it, you must supply the initiative.

Tr. Neptune is Sextile Saturn

In effect: in progress - Jun 26, 2002

Peak Date(s): sometime before the report period.

Neptune played a part earlier in this report, but it has another trick or two up its sleeve. You may remember that this planet refers to letting down barriers and allowing the creative unconscious to speak. When handled well, it triggers a "seed time" in which new inspirations arise. If handled poorly, one tends to go off half-cocked while enamored of unrealistic ideas. So sit tight, enter trance, pay attention to your dreams and, if you're so inclined, pray or meditate. Neptune currently is sextile your natal Saturn. The inner opening process peaks sometime before the report period..

First, factor in that the movement and the evolutionary invitation are occurring in the Fifth House, for that's the region of your birthchart through which Neptune is currently passing. We've met the symbolism of this house before: creativity, unabashed self-expression, and sheer playfulness. You've reached a point in your journey where you need your batteries recharged, your "inner child" re-invigorated. A general loosening up is required. Life's pleasures -- sports, games, vacations, new friends, loving interactions -- need to figure in your experience now. But what part of your being most requires this rejuvenation? The answer lies with Saturn, which is being invited into development during this playful time of renewal and discovery.

The natal Saturn -- that, as we have seen, symbolizes your capacity for self-discipline and patience. Generally, it marks an area where you will be challenged to achieve excellence...or

tempted to give up and sink into sorrow and self-pity.

Your Seventh House occupied our thoughts earlier in these pages; now we see it triggered again, suggesting that at the center of the circumstances we're considering there exists a fundamental inter-dependency: what you must do, you cannot do alone. A pair of ideas figure here: The first is that by emphasizing the spirit of Saturn in your closest relationships, you improve them. The second is that your natural partners are themselves people of the nature of Saturn, and that should help you recognize them.

When hard-headed Saturn is stirred into the same pot with visionary Neptune, a season of brain-storming has arrived. A happy confluence now exists between creative imagination and shrewd practicality. Keeping them in balance is the art. You'll have some great ideas -- but not as great as they may at first seem. And you'll also see some formidable obstacles -- but not as insurmountable as you may fear. There is a middle course between optimism and pessimism. It's called visionary realism. Practice it!

The two factors, as we mentioned, are linked by a sextile -- traditionally seen as a "harmonious" or "mutually enhancing" aspect, often full of fast-paced events and emotional stimulation.

The Details

In the mood for Mardi Gras? If you live in Chicago, it helps to know that New Orleans lies to the south. Head west or east and you'll never arrive . . .

What we've done in the previous pages is to show you the direction to New Orleans. We've looked at the big astrological themes that are affecting you this year . . .

As a reminder, at the beginning of our analysis of each month's events we'll make reference to any major configurations covered previously which happen to be reaching peaks of intensity then -- and please recall that some of them will have more than a single peak during the report period. There won't be any more analysis; just an allusion to the events so you can go back and review the earlier material, and see the patterns of the month in the light of the year's heavier transits and progressions.

Please remember that the fleeting, often forgettable influences we discuss in the following pages must always draw their real meaning from the far more monumental events we've already described. A "discussion with the boss," for example, is going to take on particular significance during a month when your whole career is up for grabs!

These minor transits unfold quickly. It's a rare week that doesn't contain at least a few. A report that discussed them all in the kind of microscopic detail we've applied to the major events would be several inches thick. In order to cover the daily astrological kaleidoscope within the practical limitations of the space available, we've resorted to producing capsulized one-sentence nuggets that compress a lot of information into a few words. So, slow down, shift gears, and let

them wash over you. Think of these images more as daily meditations than as the kind of full-blown explanations to which you've gotten accustomed in the previous sections of SKYLOG.

One brief reminder: remember that many astrological events have not one but several peaks of intensity, so you may find a given "Invitation" or "Means" coming up several times in the pages that follow.

Even minor astrological events commonly have an impact over several days. In the following month-by-month analysis, configurations are listed chronologically according to the days they "peak" -- but don't take that date narrowly. The most colorful events and profoundest realizations might easily occur a day or two later or earlier.

April Invitation Peaks

Apr 14, 2002 - Tr. Saturn opposes Moon

Apr 28, 2002 - Pr. Moon enters Seventh House

April Mean Peaks

Apr 07, 2002 - Pr. Moon opposes Uranus

Apr 12, 2002 - Tr. Saturn sextiles Saturn

Apr 19, 2002 - Pr. Moon trines Mercury

Apr 28, 2002 - Pr. Moon opposes Ascendant

April The Details

Apr 01, 2002 - Tr. Sun conjuncts Saturn

Keywords: interpersonally sensitive nature combines with your characteristic empathetic integrity.

Apr 01, 2002 - Tr. Sun trines Moon

Keywords: interpersonally sensitive nature enhances your usual verbal awareness.

Apr 01, 2002 - Tr. Mars opposes Neptune

Keywords: expansive assertiveness opposes your inborn clever imagination.

Apr 03, 2002 - Tr. Sun trines Venus

Keywords: collaborative identity supports your typical group-dynamical human connection.

Apr 04, 2002 - Tr. Mercury conjuncts Saturn

Keywords: empathetic conversation combines with your characteristic interpersonally sensitive integrity.

Apr 04, 2002 - Tr. Mercury trines Moon

Keywords: interpersonally sensitive communication enhances your usual open-minded attitude.

Apr 05, 2002 - Tr. Venus squares Jupiter

Keywords: probing relating conflicts with your instinctive visionary gambling.

Apr 05, 2002 - Tr. Mercury trines Venus

Keywords: caring conversation supports your typical visionary relating.

Apr 07, 2002 - Tr. Mercury opposes Mars

Keywords: cooperative communication is in tension with your inherent decisive swordsmanship.

Apr 08, 2002 - Tr. Sun opposes Mars

Keywords: caring identity opposes your inborn assertive swordsmanship.

Apr 08, 2002 - Tr. Mercury squares Mercury

Keywords: probing communication conflicts with your instinctive employment-oriented dialog.

Apr 10, 2002 - Tr. Sun squares Mercury

Keywords: psychologically deep identity conflicts with your instinctive work-oriented conversation.

Apr 12, 2002 - Tr. Venus squares Venus

Keywords: penetratingly real human connection conflicts with your instinctive visionary relating.

Apr 12, 2002 - Tr. Mercury sextiles Sun

Keywords: psychologically deep conversation stimulates your normal on-the-job identity.

Apr 15, 2002 - Tr. Mercury squares Jupiter

Keywords: emotionally brave communication conflicts with your instinctive goal-oriented gambling.

Apr 15, 2002 - Tr. Venus trines Pluto

Keywords: penetratingly real affection supports your typical spiritually open honesty.

Apr 17, 2002 - Tr. Venus trines Uranus

Keywords: psychologically deep human connection enhances your usual withdrawn autonomy.

Apr 17, 2002 - Tr. Venus sextiles Mercury

Keywords: routine-shattering human connection excites your native career communication.

Apr 18, 2002 - Tr. Sun sextiles Sun

Keywords: psychologically deep personality excites your native work-oriented nature.

Apr 18, 2002 - Tr. Venus opposes Neptune

Keywords: exploratory human connection is in tension with your inherent open-minded contemplation.

Apr 20, 2002 - Tr. Mercury squares Venus

Keywords: passionate dialog clashes with your instinctive strategic relating.

Apr 20, 2002 - Tr. Mars sextiles Jupiter

Keywords: questing courage excites your native visionary gambling.

Apr 21, 2002 at 06:10 PM - Tr. Moon enters Twelfth House

The Moon in a month passes through all twelve houses of your chart. In so doing, it correlates with the passing whimsies of mood. One afternoon you're bright and cheery, the

following morning you're blue...but energetic again after lunch. It doesn't amount to much, and it's not really very important in practical terms -- with one exception: the passage of the Moon through the Twelfth House. During that time you are going through a kind of emotional moulting, ending one cycle and preparing to begin another. Your attentions and energies are turned inward. Accept that, handle it well, and the period -- usually a couple of days -- is quiet and contemplative. It may even be rather pleasant. But if you try to keep up your normal level of activity, you'll find yourself confused, flat, and prone to dumb accidents. So when the Moon enters your Twelfth House, make sure that you have some unstructured time. Minimize distractions. Put off any significant new beginnings for a couple of days. And take a few unhurried breaths. This month, the transiting Moon crosses into your natal Twelfth House Apr 21, 2002 at 06:10 PM, and emerges Apr 23, 2002 at 06:16 PM, when a new emotional cycle begins.

Apr 22, 2002 - Tr. Mercury trines Pluto

Keywords: spooky communication supports your typical spiritually open intensity.

Apr 23, 2002 - Tr. Mercury trines Uranus

Keywords: probing dialog enhances your usual withdrawn originality.

Apr 23, 2002 - Tr. Mercury sextiles Mercury

Keywords: exploratory dialog stimulates your normal professional communication.

Apr 24, 2002 - Tr. Mercury opposes Neptune

Keywords: expansive communication opposes your inborn intelligent imagination.

Apr 25, 2002 - Tr. Sun squares Jupiter

Keywords: emotionally brave identity conflicts with your instinctive goal-oriented gambling.

Apr 29, 2002 - Tr. Venus sextiles Jupiter

Keywords: intellectually hungry relating excites your native visionary gambling.

Apr 30, 2002 - Tr. Mars sextiles Saturn

Keywords: expansive swordsmanship stimulates your normal interpersonally sensitive integrity.

Apr 30, 2002 - Tr. Mars opposes Moon

Keywords: routine-shattering courage opposes your inborn inventive attitude.

May Invitation Peaks

(None this month.)

May Mean Peaks

May 02, 2002 - Pr. Moon squares Midheaven

May 04, 2002 - Tr. Jupiter squares Saturn

May 06, 2002 - Tr. Saturn sextiles Venus

May 24, 2002 - Pr. Moon trines Neptune

May The Details

May 04, 2002 - Tr. Mars sextiles Venus

Keywords: adventuresome swordsmanship stimulates your normal priority-clarifying relating.

May 04, 2002 - Tr. Sun squares Venus

Keywords: probing personality conflicts with your instinctive priority-clarifying affection.

May 04, 2002 - Tr. Mercury sextiles Jupiter

Keywords: intellectually hungry dialog excites your native group-dynamical opportunity.

May 04, 2002 - Tr. Venus sextiles Saturn

Keywords: exploratory affection stimulates your normal cooperative solitude.

May 05, 2002 - Tr. Venus opposes Moon

Keywords: exploratory human connection is in tension with your inherent intelligent attitude.

May 07, 2002 - Tr. Venus sextiles Venus

Keywords: intellectually hungry human connection stimulates your normal group-dynamical relating.

May 08, 2002 - Tr. Sun trines Pluto

Keywords: passionate personality supports your typical withdrawn honesty.

May 10, 2002 - Tr. Mars squares Pluto

Keywords: adventuresome courage conflicts with your instinctive reclusive intensity.

May 10, 2002 - Tr. Venus squares Pluto

Keywords: questing affection clashes with your instinctive quiet honesty.

May 10, 2002 - Tr. Venus trines Mars

Keywords: expansive human connection supports your typical authoritative swordsmanship.

May 11, 2002 - Tr. Sun trines Uranus

Keywords: passionate personality enhances your usual meditative individuality.

May 11, 2002 - Tr. Mars trines Mars

Keywords: exploratory courage supports your typical authoritative assertiveness.

May 11, 2002 - Tr. Sun sextiles Mercury

Keywords: expansive personality excites your native professional communication.

May 12, 2002 - Tr. Venus squares Uranus

Keywords: intellectually hungry human connection conflicts with your instinctive private autonomy.

May 12, 2002 - Tr. Sun opposes Neptune

Keywords: routine-shattering personality opposes your inborn inventive contemplation.

May 12, 2002 - Neptune turns Retrograde (at 10°Aq59' in your 05th House)

Aspects: Sextile Moon, Opposite Venus, Opposite Jupiter, Sextile Saturn.

May 13, 2002 - Tr. Venus conjuncts Midheaven

Venus: Goddess of Love, Goddess of Peace...in her fast transits around your chart, she offers you counsel and support, sometimes through friendship, sometimes through more romantic kinds

of intimacy. Her arrival at a sensitive zone also suggests that a time has come to relax and to receive solace or comfort, or to recharge your inner batteries through the perception of beauty. People come warmly into your space; a chance to "let your hair down" arises; paintings, music, and Technicolor sunsets abound.

Venus arrives at a conjunction with your Midheaven May 13, 2002, and that always suggests a time of public visibility or career-related activity. The Midheaven is the top of the chart and corresponds to the most outward, visible parts of your life. It's an active point, generally not very subtle. To make the most of it, pretend that "all the world's a stage" and that the part you're playing is that of Venus, as we just described it. Don't be shy. Ham it up a little, and make sure the people dozing in the back row don't miss any nuances.

May 13, 2002 - Tr. Mars squares Uranus

Keywords: questing assertiveness conflicts with your instinctive quiet autonomy.

May 15, 2002 - Tr. Mars conjuncts Midheaven

Mars, the God of War, is transiting through sensitive territories for you, suggesting some turbulent waters to be navigated. Always the trick with the red planet lies in realizing that the time has come to overcome a fear or a resistance in yourself, and to take what is legitimately yours. Your blood is up, and that's not a bad thing, unless you "chicken out" and misdirect the Martian energy toward some inappropriate target.

Mars arrives at a conjunction with your Midheaven May 15, 2002, and that always suggests a time of public visibility or career-related activity. The Midheaven is the top of the chart and corresponds to the most outward, visible parts of your life. It's an active point, generally not very subtle. To make the most of it, pretend that "all the world's a stage" and that the part you're playing is that of Mars, as we just described it. Don't be shy. Ham it up a little, and make sure the people dozing in the back row don't miss any nuances.

May 15, 2002 at 10:43 AM - Mercury turns Retrograde

Three, maybe four times in the course of a year, the planet Mercury spends three weeks or so going backwards in the sky, a period we call Mercury Retrograde. Practicality sometimes intervenes, but to the extent that you can arrange it, you are better off if you can avoid signing anything important during this period, buying anything mechanical (unless its failure would be of trivial consequence), initiating travel, or attempting significant communications by phone or mail. This, of course, is a lot to ask; and sticking to it too firmly starts to verge on Cosmic Paranoia. Still, there is a heightened tendency for objects, messages, and plans to go awry during this Retrograde time. Sometimes a little patience exercised now will make your life a lot easier in the long run. If steps simply must be taken, it doesn't mean everything is doomed to failure...just keep duplicates, have backups, double-check everything, and be prepared for petty annoyances. The first appearance of a Retrograde Mercury during the period of this report occurs May 15, 2002 at 10:43 AM. Those conditions persist until Mercury again goes "Direct" sometime after the report period..

May 19, 2002 at 00:16 AM - Tr. Moon enters Twelfth House

This month, the transiting Moon crosses into your natal Twelfth House again May 19, 2002 at 00:16 AM. It emerges and a new emotional cycle begins May 21, 2002 at 01:44 AM. As we discussed earlier, this represents a brief period in which you serve your own ultimate interests best by relaxing a bit, taking some extra precautions against physical mishaps, and most importantly, delaying any major new starts, insofar as that's possible.

May 19, 2002 - Tr. Venus conjuncts Sun

Keywords: career affection combines with your characteristic work-oriented identity.

May 26, 2002 - Tr. Sun sextiles Jupiter

Keywords: exploratory identity stimulates your normal long-term opportunity.

May 26, 2002 - Tr. Mars conjuncts Sun

Keywords: on-the-job assertiveness fuses with your natural vocational personality.

May 28, 2002 - Tr. Mercury sextiles Jupiter

Keywords: exploratory conversation stimulates your normal long-term gambling.

May 29, 2002 - Tr. Venus squares Saturn

Keywords: vocational affection conflicts with your instinctive collaborative integrity.

June Invitation Peaks

Jun 06, 2002 - Tr. Saturn squares Pluto

Jun 25, 2002 - Tr. Saturn squares Uranus

Jun 25, 2002 - Tr. Jupiter enters Eleventh House

Jun 30, 2002 - Tr. Saturn squares Ascendant

June Mean Peaks

Jun 08, 2002 - Tr. Jupiter sextiles Pluto

Jun 11, 2002 - Tr. Jupiter squares Mars

Jun 11, 2002 - Tr. Saturn trines Mars

Jun 19, 2002 - Tr. Jupiter sextiles Uranus

Jun 21, 2002 - Tr. Jupiter conjuncts Mercury

Jun 22, 2002 - Tr. Jupiter sextiles Ascendant

Jun 26, 2002 - Tr. Jupiter trines Neptune

June The Details

Jun 01, 2002 - Tr. Sun sextiles Saturn

Keywords: questing identity stimulates your normal collaborative composure.

Jun 02, 2002 - Tr. Sun opposes Moon

Keywords: routine-shattering personality opposes your inborn curious attitude.

Jun 02, 2002 - Uranus turns Retrograde (at 28°Aq50' in your 06th House)

Aspects: Trine Sun, Square Neptune.

Jun 04, 2002 - Tr. Venus sextiles Pluto

Keywords: professional human connection excites your native private honesty.

Jun 04, 2002 - Tr. Sun sextiles Venus

Keywords: expansive identity stimulates your normal goal-oriented affection.

Jun 05, 2002 - Tr. Venus squares Mars

Keywords: work-oriented human connection conflicts with your instinctive authoritative swordsmanship.

Jun 06, 2002 - Tr. Venus sextiles Uranus

Keywords: work-oriented relating excites your native spiritually open originality.

Jun 06, 2002 - Tr. Venus conjuncts Mercury

Keywords: vocational relating combines with your characteristic work-oriented dialog.

Jun 07, 2002 - Tr. Venus trines Neptune

Keywords: long-term relating supports your typical curious contemplation.

Jun 08, 2002 - Tr. Sun squares Pluto

Keywords: exploratory nature clashes with your instinctive withdrawn investigation.

Jun 09, 2002 - Tr. Sun trines Mars

Keywords: routine-shattering personality supports your typical commanding swordsmanship.

Jun 11, 2002 - Tr. Sun squares Uranus

Keywords: questing personality conflicts with your instinctive meditative autonomy.

Jun 12, 2002 - Tr. Sun conjuncts Midheaven

The transiting Sun is like a huge, dumb battery. Whatever it touches, it electrifies -- but never for very long or very deeply. That's simply because it's a fast-moving factor, never staying anywhere long enough to develop true depth or complexity of meaning. In a year, it circuits the chart once...which leaves it only a few days to spend in each of your chart's many sensitive zones. Whatever it touches, however, is temporarily pushed into action. And sometimes, if more serious astro-psychological energies have been building or brewing in that area of your life, the Sun's transit over that point might just be the trigger that sets big wheels turning. The critical point is that the Sun represents your ego, and when it collides with sensitive territories you need to act accordingly: not "egocentrically," but with an awareness of your rights, your needs, and your desires.

Sun arrives at a conjunction with your Midheaven Jun 12, 2002, and that always suggests a time of public visibility or career-related activity. The Midheaven is the top of the chart and corresponds to the most outward, visible parts of your life. It's an active point, generally not very subtle. To make the most of it, pretend that "all the world's a stage" and that the part you're playing is that of Sun, as we just described it. Don't be shy. Ham it up a little, and make sure the people dozing in the back row don't miss any nuances.

Jun 14, 2002 - Tr. Mars squares Saturn

Keywords: career swordsmanship clashes with your instinctive collaborative integrity.

Jun 15, 2002 at 05:40 AM - Tr. Moon enters Twelfth House

This month, the transiting Moon crosses into your natal Twelfth House again Jun 15, 2002 at 05:40 AM. It emerges and a new emotional cycle begins Jun 17, 2002 at 07:21 AM. As we discussed earlier, this represents a brief period in which you serve your own ultimate interests best by relaxing a bit, taking some extra precautions against physical mishaps, and most importantly, delaying any major new starts, insofar as that's possible.

Jun 18, 2002 - Tr. Mercury sextiles Jupiter

Keywords: exploratory conversation stimulates your normal visionary exuberance.

Jun 18, 2002 - Tr. Venus conjuncts Jupiter

Keywords: goal-oriented relating fuses with your natural visionary opportunity.

Jun 20, 2002 - Tr. Sun conjuncts Sun

Keywords: on-the-job nature combines with your characteristic career identity.

Jun 24, 2002 - Tr. Venus trines Saturn

Keywords: strategic affection supports your typical caring solitude.

Jun 24, 2002 - Tr. Venus trines Moon

Keywords: goal-oriented affection enhances your usual verbal sensitivity.

Jun 24, 2002 - Tr. Mars sextiles Pluto

Keywords: career assertiveness excites your native spiritually open investigation.

Jun 24, 2002 - Tr. Mercury sextiles Saturn

Keywords: adventuresome communication stimulates your normal cooperative composure.

Jun 25, 2002 - Tr. Mercury opposes Moon

Keywords: intellectually hungry communication opposes your inborn inventive awareness.

Jun 25, 2002 - Tr. Mars squares Mars

Keywords: employment-oriented swordsmanship clashes with your instinctive authoritative assertiveness.

Jun 26, 2002 - Tr. Venus conjuncts Venus

Keywords: goal-oriented human connection fuses with your natural group-dynamical relating.

Jun 27, 2002 - Tr. Mercury sextiles Venus

Keywords: expansive conversation excites your native goal-oriented affection.

Jun 28, 2002 - Tr. Mars sextiles Uranus

Keywords: work-oriented swordsmanship stimulates your normal withdrawn originality.

Jun 29, 2002 - Tr. Mars conjuncts Mercury

Keywords: on-the-job swordsmanship fuses with your natural career communication.

Jun 29, 2002 - Tr. Mercury squares Pluto

Keywords: adventuresome conversation clashes with your instinctive quiet intensity.

Jun 30, 2002 - Tr. Mercury trines Mars

Keywords: adventuresome dialog enhances your usual decisive courage.

Jun 30, 2002 - Tr. Venus sextiles Mars

Keywords: group-dynamical relating stimulates your normal decisive courage.

Jun 30, 2002 - Tr. Mars trines Neptune

Keywords: priority-clarifying swordsmanship supports your typical open-minded inspiration.