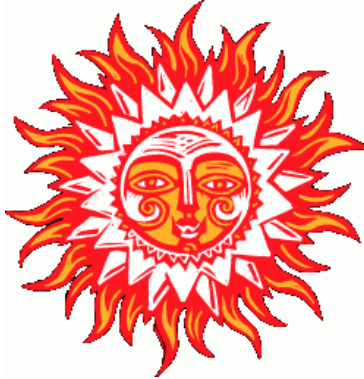


Your Fixed Stars

Astrology Report

for

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Astrological Summary

Chart Point Positions: Laura Bush

Planet	Sign	Position	House	Comment
The Moon	Pisces	14°Pi59'	11th	
The Sun	Scorpio	11°Sc58'	6th	
Mercury	Sagittarius	4°Sg55'	7th	
Venus	Sagittarius	1°Sg16'	7th	
Mars	Scorpio	28°Sc44'	7th	
Jupiter	Scorpio	8°Sc41'	6th	
Saturn	Leo	8°Le39'	4th	
Uranus	Gemini	21°Ge11'	2nd	
Neptune	Libra	9°Li34'	6th	
Pluto	Leo	13°Le20'	4th	
Chiron	Libra	29°Li14'	6th	
Vesta	Pisces	22°Pi15'	11th	
Pallas	Capricorn	11°Cp05'	9th	
Juno	Scorpio	19°Sc50'	7th	
Ceres	Aquarius	4°Aq46'	10th	
The North Node	Gemini	12°Ge08'	1st	
The South Node	Sagittarius	12°Sg08'	7th	
The Ascendant	Taurus	14°Ta27'	1st	
The Midheaven	Capricorn	29°Cp24'	10th	
The Part of Fortune	Capricorn	11°Cp26'	9th	

Chart Point Aspects

Planet	Aspect	Planet	Orb	App/Sep
The Moon	Trine	The Sun	3°01'	Separating
The Moon	Trine	Jupiter	6°17'	Separating
The Moon	Square	Uranus	6°12'	Applying
The Moon	Sesquisquare	Chiron	0°44'	Separating
The Moon	Conjunction	Vesta	7°16'	Applying
The Moon	Trine	Juno	4°50'	Applying
The Moon	Square	The North Node	2°51'	Separating
The Moon	Square	The South Node	2°51'	Separating
The Moon	Sextile	The Ascendant	0°31'	Separating
The Moon	Semisquare	The Midheaven	0°35'	Separating
The Sun	Conjunction	Jupiter	3°16'	Separating
The Sun	Square	Saturn	3°18'	Separating
The Sun	Square	Pluto	1°22'	Applying
The Sun	Sextile	Pallas	0°52'	Separating
The Sun	Conjunction	Juno	7°51'	Applying
The Sun	Quincunx	The North Node	0°09'	Applying

The Sun	Opposition	The Ascendant	2°29'	Applying
The Sun	Sextile	The Part of Fortune	0°31'	Separating
Mercury	Conjunction	Venus	3°39'	Separating
Mercury	Conjunction	Mars	6°11'	Applying
Mercury	Trine	Saturn	3°44'	Applying
Mercury	Sextile	Ceres	0°08'	Separating
Mercury	Opposition	The North Node	7°12'	Applying
Mercury	Conjunction	The South Node	7°12'	Applying
Venus	Conjunction	Mars	2°32'	Applying
Venus	Sextile	The Midheaven	1°52'	Applying
Mars	Sextile	The Midheaven	0°39'	Applying
Jupiter	Square	Saturn	0°02'	Separating
Jupiter	Square	Pluto	4°39'	Applying
Jupiter	Sesquisquare	Vesta	1°25'	Separating
Jupiter	Sextile	Pallas	2°23'	Separating
Jupiter	Square	Ceres	3°55'	Applying
Jupiter	Opposition	The Ascendant	5°46'	Applying
Jupiter	Sextile	The Part of Fortune	2°44'	Applying
Saturn	Sextile	Neptune	0°54'	Separating
Saturn	Conjunction	Pluto	4°41'	Applying
Saturn	Sesquisquare	Vesta	1°23'	Separating
Saturn	Opposition	Ceres	3°53'	Applying
Saturn	Sextile	The North Node	3°28'	Applying
Saturn	Trine	The South Node	3°28'	Applying
Saturn	Square	The Ascendant	5°48'	Applying
Uranus	Square	Vesta	1°04'	Separating
Uranus	Sesquisquare	Ceres	1°25'	Applying
Neptune	Square	Pallas	1°31'	Separating
Neptune	Trine	Ceres	4°47'	Applying
Neptune	Trine	The North Node	2°34'	Applying
Neptune	Sextile	The South Node	2°34'	Applying
Neptune	Square	The Part of Fortune	1°52'	Applying
Pluto	Sextile	The North Node	1°12'	Separating
Pluto	Trine	The South Node	1°12'	Separating
Pluto	Square	The Ascendant	1°06'	Applying
Chiron	Square	The Midheaven	0°09'	Applying
Vesta	Trine	Juno	2°25'	Applying
Vesta	Semisquare	Ceres	2°29'	Applying
Pallas	Trine	The Ascendant	3°22'	Applying
Pallas	Conjunction	The Part of Fortune	0°20'	Applying
Juno	Opposition	The Ascendant	5°22'	Separating
Ceres	Conjunction	The Midheaven	5°22'	Separating
The North Node	Quincunx	The Part of Fortune	0°41'	Applying
The Ascendant	Trine	The Part of Fortune	3°01'	Applying

Fixed Stars



The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handiwork. Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night sheweth knowledge. -- Psalms, 19: 1-2

Fixed stars, constellations and lunar mansions are the most ancient astrological heritages of humankind. Long before there were horoscopes, aspects, houses or signs (or even systems of writing!) the dedicated priest-astrologers of Sumer, Akkad, Babylon, Greece, Phoenicia, Egypt, China, India, Central America, indeed, of virtually every ancient civilization of which we have record, carefully observed and analyzed sky-patterns, and attempted to relate their observations to the experiences of humankind, under the universally-held doctrine, "as above, so below."

Until recently it was difficult for modern astrologers to research stars; the available star lists were limited, their positions outdated, and new information hard to come by, and by the mid-19th-century astronomers had shifted their focus from the Ecliptic (i.e. Celestial Longitude, easily converted to tropical degrees) to the Equator (Right Ascension), which required complex calculations to convert to tropical degrees. Only in the last two decades of the 20th century did computers, conversion programs and extensive star catalogues

make it possible for astrologers to return to basic research on the stars and to the study of their effects. At the same time, knowledge once available only to the most learned priests of the earliest civilizations has at last come into our hands, and we may now benefit from their learning.

The ecliptica is the primary resonating-board or interface for the multidimensional contents of the heavens, seen from our planet. Everything in the sky is brought to this plane which is our path around the Sun, an invisible belt of sensitivity on which all phenomena in the sky can be projected and ordered. This is the astrologers' tool, like the measuring-rod of a carpenter.

-- Sander Littel, 2003

All stars and DSO's (deep space objects - i.e. galaxies, black holes, clusters etc) in this work have been converted from Right Ascension and Declination, projected perpendicularly onto the ecliptic and expressed in celestial longitude, that is, in degrees along the Ecliptic measured from 0 Aries, the Vernal Equinox point. Each individual's chart placements are adjusted for precession (using epoch 2000.0) and then entered, each with its appropriate starset.

Black holes are dying stars collapsed into infinite density. One possibility is that they are collapsed neutron stars pressured into infinite curvature of space and infinite gravity; gravity so intense that nothing - not even light - can escape. X-rays from these (and other) sources reach and are absorbed by Earth's atmosphere, so it is possible that their energies may manifest in our lives. It is now thought that most galaxies may have black holes at their cores. Most bright stars are actually multiples (doubles, triples, etc), but I have not indicated this in the text.

The Tropical And Sidereal Zodiacs



Because of a phenomenon called "precession of the equinoxes," over more than two thousand years the zodiac of signs, that is, of our familiar tropical degrees, has gradually shifted backward, largely moving away from the ancient sky figures that gave them their original names and identities; *each sign of this tropical zodiac now largely overlays the star-figure that once preceded it.* Our tropical sign of Aries now overlays most of the original sky-figure of the Pisces fishes, the sign of Taurus overlays the stars of the sky-Ram, tropical Gemini has backed onto the mighty Bull of Heaven, tropical Cancer now overlays the original Gemini Twins, most of tropical Leo covers the Cancer Crab (however, because of the uneven length of the ancient figures, the Lion's head and forepaws are still Leo in both the tropical and sidereal, i.e. constellational, zodiac), tropical Virgo occupies the stars of the body and tail of the Lion, tropical Libra now lies in the midst of the ancient Virgin-goddess, most of tropical Scorpio overlays the Scales of Justice, tropical Sagittarius rides the back of the menacing Scorpion, tropical Capricorn has taken over the original stars of the half-human, half-equine Archer, tropical Aquarius overlays the Sea-Goat's stars, and tropical Pisces largely overlays the figure of the original Water-Pourer.

These overlays are confusing at first, but they actually become enlightening when we search for the deeper layers of astrology's very ancient sources. For while I believe that

the tropical zodiac is the most useful for day to day interpretation of horoscopes, it is the ancient sky-pattern figures that reveal the "fated," totemic level of our lives. Fate is a harsh word, conjuring images of helplessness, passivity, "what's-the-use-of-trying" emotions; but the actuality is that the soul, in each lifetime, has chosen a body, sexual polarity, set of parents, locale, schooling, economic situation, and formative matrix that will best nurture the spirit and carry it forward in the direction it has chosen to explore. It was astonishing to discover, after years of research, that *there is nothing casual or coincidental in the constellational sky*; the constellations are in no way arbitrary, casual, or even just seasonal markers - each one is an intensely sophisticated icon, designed to express the energies of its sky-space. And it is not only the ecliptic figures that play a part in our lives, but also the outlying, non-zodiacal aggregations that seem to fly above or swim below the Sun's eternal path; these areas were once called the "Sphaera Barbarica" and are as vital and important as the twelve familiar ecliptic-dwellers; indeed, each posture, position, length and breadth of every figure, has its reason and message.

It has been my experience that the most meaningful and exciting reactions from clients come when I describe the constellation patterns and individual fixed stars on their charts (usually at the end of a reading). There is often a profoundly personal emotional response that resonates on a "life-myth" level of being. Frequently a client's deepest conflicts are delineated by the difference between the archetypes of the tropical signs and the original constellations: the variance, for instance, between proud, courageous tropical Leo and his underlying sensitive, cautious, vulnerable star-Crab, or the tropical sign of Cancer, home-loving, self-protective, careful, but now fully overlaying the original Gemini siblings, who were rollicking, daring, competitive adventurers! It is the task of each of us to find ways to reconcile these differences and make them work creatively in our lives. Many Cancers, for instance, become actors, writers, or filmmakers, permitting themselves the vicarious experience of danger and adventure while actually remaining quite snug and safe, while others expand Cancer's love of home to love of homeland and become super-patriotic, risk-taking test pilots, astronauts, or Olympic athletes! There is no longer a need to debate whether the tropical or sidereal zodiac is to be preferred. They combine their energies!

It has become apparent to me that the universe is imprinted upon and within us; I strongly take issue with the idea that if a star is not able to rise at a particular location or birthplace, and therefore would never be visible at that place, then it has no influence there and should not be used in the birth chart. The great 1st-magnitude star Canopus (Alpha Argo Navis, the brightest star in the constellation of the great ship) for instance, is never visible from Shelter Island, New York (latitude 41N00), yet its *degree of celestial longitude* exactly culminates, with the Sun, on a client's chart who was born there; her parents went to great trouble to arrange for her to be born on their boat, and traveling on water has been a major part of her life. Another client, born Jewish in Chicago (41N52) has Venus and Neptune (the latter co-ruler of his 9th house of religion) *aligned in celestial longitude* with stars of the Southern Cross (56 to 64.5 south declination, 0 - 13.5 Scorpio) in the far southern skies, and although Crux is never visible above 27° north geographic latitude, and thus not visible in the place of his birth, he became a convert to Christianity. After years of research, it has become apparent to me that all of the sky

belongs to all of humanity, without strictures or curtailments relating to birth latitudes, longitudes or visual passages. The universe is not "out there" - it is within and a part of all of us, our co-creation with God; each of us resides at the focal center of our personal universe, and the entire cosmos is both within and without each of us. Each member of the human race, whatever his or her latitude of birth, is heir to, and part of, the entirety of the universe.

It has been suggested that only the brightest stars, and/or those close to the ecliptic, should be used by astrologers. I have not found this to be a useful approach; first, because even more than the stars themselves, the full constellation figures, including those of the Sphaera Barbarica, carry important messages and second, because some rather dim stars (4th-magnitude Omicron Leonis and Mu Cephei, for instance, at 9 Aries 42 and 24 Leo 15 respectively, in 2000) produce powerful effects that belie their pallid visual impacts. For the most part I have kept to the ancient sky-figures and left out the "modern" constellations created in the 17th and 18th centuries. There are a few notable exceptions: Indus, the Indian, for instance, does seem to relate to indigenous peoples. Every named star has been included.

I have described each star's placement within its constellation figure, as far as can be ascertained (some of these placements are open to question; however, they have turned out to be extremely important, and so have been attempted); each constellation figure is described as it is seen from Earth (rather than reversed as in a "god's-eye" view as some old sky maps show them). Left or right means the figure's own left or right; for this approach I have the authority of the 2nd-century BCE astronomer-astrologer Hipparchus, considered the greatest ancient authority on constellation figures; this is from his only surviving work:

"All stars' positions are fixed with reference to our point of view, as if they were turned towards us, except if one or another of them is in profile. Aratus in many examples makes this clear; in all instances where he clearly describes the right or left portion of a constellation his description agrees with this hypothesis." -- Hipparchus, *Arati et Eudoxi Phaenomena*, I, 4, 1-8

It is interesting that this extraordinary scientist (discoverer of precession of the equinoxes) went to the trouble of writing a 2-volume work detailing the exact postures and positions of the constellation figures, correcting errors in Eudoxos and Aratus; it demonstrates the importance he placed on their precise locations and delineations. Roman astrologer Manilius, writing almost 2 centuries later, carried forward this idea:

"You must not divert your attention from the smallest detail; nothing exists without reason or has been uselessly created." -- Manilius, *Astronomica*, Book II (ca 10 CE)

Far from following these ancient authorities slavishly, when I began my research I discounted their insistence upon the importance of the placements of various arms, legs, heads, hands, eyes; it seemed to me (as it seems to almost everyone) that the constellations are fairly arbitrary, a sort of ancient "connect-the-dots" game, and a not-

very-well played one, at that! With only a few exceptions, the stars of constellations do not seem to limn the figures they are said to represent. My early insouciance has had its comeuppance! Hipparchus and Manilius were simply stating facts.

As for the examples given under each starset and planet, I am keenly aware of the distortions that must result from the use of only famous or notorious people - where are the homemakers, social workers, secretaries, farmers, laboratory assistants, the quiet, often unnoticed performers of our daily tasks? For the most part, they were left out, only because if, for instance, I wrote "Jane Jones, secretary," so little could be read of her soul from that description, and the reader none the wiser about the energies of her placements. I can only hope that something can be inferred about the inner lives of the "Jane Jones" from the more prominent sharers of her stars. The descriptions of planetary influences are, of course, generalizations, and it should be noted that each planet can describe a person or persons in the reader's life, rather than the reader him/herself; Venus, for instance, stands for loved ones, and Mercury may represent a sibling, neighbor or co-worker; Jupiter can be an uncle or avuncular person, Saturn a teacher, father or father-figure, the Moon may describe the mother or a childhood nurturer, Mars an aggressive, assertive person in the life. These are never, however, individuals completely apart from ourselves - as souls we draw them into our lives, as they draw us.

There are no wholly benefic or wholly malefic stars. Each one proffers energies that may be used for good or ill. As I entered data it became apparent to me that stars and constellations, rather than being "good" or "bad," embody a *polarity* of issues, concerns and struggles that must be addressed in a lifetime, where the free will of the individual is tasked with the responsibility of choosing, manifesting and actively expressing the positive polarity. While a few may fail to even try, others might overcome great difficulties and achieve success, both spiritual and worldly. In working towards interpretations for each starset, I included as many positives as possible, but did not shrink from negatives; what I actually found in each case were polarities of concerns that were likely to come up in each life, rather than deterministic good-bad, right-wrong delineations. Each polarity really spans one issue - a person may express one side of it or the other: peacemakers and warmongers, for instance; activists for tolerance versus haters and bigots, idealists and cynics, each and all are "sensitive" to the issue at hand, and are making choices about where to stand: the issue will constantly crop up in their lives, and they are not likely to be indifferent or passive about it.

Precession corrections, especially for ancient charts, may appear to cause a chart's position(s) to change signs; Michaelangelo, for instance, was born with the Sun at 24 Pisces 01 in 1475, but because of precession, the stars his Sun aligned with, then in tropical Pisces, are now at the beginning of tropical Aries (the closest is 26 Piscium in the tail of the West Fish, which in 2000 was at 1 Aries 43; his Sun, precession corrected to 2000.0, is at 1 Aries 20). Thus, because of precession, a person born under one tropical sign might now appear to be placed in another. Even for some born in the 20th century with a planet in a late degree, precession correction may take the planet into the next sign. The important thing to remember, in this regard, is that the original tropical signs and rulerships hold sway on each chart; precession corrections simply serve to indicate which

stars the original placements were aligned with. The longitude spans given for each Starset in this report have been adjusted for the date of birth of the individual.

Because I wanted to wanted to check out all stars, not just the most famous, or brightest, or those nearest the ecliptic, I began with a long list and often added to it as I worked, ending up with about 2,300. The stars included in this study were culled from this "master list."

About this Report



The stars represented on each horoscope mark, I believe, the points where a soul will be most intensely and constantly tested. The tests are acute, the failures (sometimes public) devastating, but while the victories are uplifting, they are usually hidden away from others. There is rarely publicity when a thief quietly decides to turn his or her life around; a person prone to anger and violence who has learned to contain his/her rage will get no medal for it; an accountant who has resisted the impulse to embezzle funds gets no pat on the back - and can't even tell anyone about it! These are victories nonetheless; quiet victories of the soul struggling against darkness, anguish and temptation.

Cirlot's Dictionary of Symbols has, under "star":

"As a light shining in the darkness,
a star is a symbol of the spirit.
It stands for the forces of the spirit
struggling against the forces of darkness"

Abbreviations

WWI, WWII for World War I and II; Gen, Capt, Adm, Brig, Lt, Col, Maj instead of General, Captain, Admiral, Brigadier, Lieutenant, Colonel and Major, Pres for President,

Sen. for Senator, Gov for Governor, PM for Prime Minister, Prof for professor, CEO for Chief Executive Officer, N for North or Northern, S for South or Southern, W for West or Western, E for East or Eastern.

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Your Starsets



Starset ALMACH - 12°Ta44' to 15°Ta44'

The Ascendant is aligned with starset Almach

The Ascendant is the degree that is rising at the moment of birth; it is a place of emergence, initiatives, and new beginnings; it can also describe the immediate environment and is the face you present to the world. In your horoscope, the Ascendant is the channel through which you receive, experience and express the energies of these stars.

Almach is Gamma Andromedae in the left foot of Andromeda, the Chained Woman, a star that is accompanied in these celestial longitudes by **Ts'e** (or Cih), Gamma Cassiopeiae in the arm of Cassiopeia, the Queen, **Menkar**, Alpha Ceti, in the jaw of Cetus, the Sea-Monster, **Zibal**, Zeta Eridani in the upper western bend of Eridanus, the River, **Pi Arietis** in the loin of Aries, the Ram and **2 Persei** between the head and sword of Perseus, the Rescuer. In ancient Sumer-Akkad and Babylonia, **Almach**, with stars of Triangulum, formed a Plow.

In ancient China, Almach was a star of *T'ien-Ta-Tsiang-Kiun*, the Great Celestial General

or Commander of the Horses who, beside his military duties, held high responsibility for the welfare of the state, protected the weak against tyranny, put down revolts and enforced law, order, and justice. Patient, cheerful, industrious, with a great multiplicity of talents, including strategic ability, you are popular, courageous and resourceful, with the potential to become a leader and figurehead, but this is the place of the crushing jaws of Cetus, the Sea-Monster - you may experience difficult family conditions, lack of domestic harmony, or even loss of identity and home in early life, loss of fortune, or there may be an inheritance that brings misfortune with it. You are restless and passionate and may suffer from anxiety, anguish, false accusations, even disgrace and ruin (for farmers, there may be loss of crops), and/or severe health problems. Through all you remain dogged, persistent and courageous; your heart, will, and endurance are challenged to the utmost; refusing to admit defeat, you are willing to take huge risks, forging within yourself strength, perseverance, determination, commitment and devotion. Your life often runs on several rails at once, displaying your dazzling array of abilities, such as the military, politics (often these two are combined), medicine, healing (including psychic and hypnotic ability), philosophy, sports, art, theatre, literature, music and farming. With the overlay of tropical Taurus, these stars usually offer considerable creativity along with writing and performing ability, but these potentials may remain undeveloped if your will remains unfocused, or if domineering, dictatorial attitudes are indulged (Ts'e means "whip"), and if you are unwilling to listen to others, or you blame them for your personal troubles. Under such conditions you may draw or commit violence, abuse, or there may be an exile of some sort, by force, necessity, or self-imposed. The tests of these stars have positive outcomes only if you maintain your personal honor and avoid selfishness, greed, jealousy, dishonesty and any kind of immorality with great determination. Traditional star lists promise "luck" for Almach, but it is likely that this will occur only after much hard work. Challenges include developing and maintaining communications; religious faith versus skepticism or atheism, and steady cultivation of hope versus giving way to despair. Here Eridanus, the great River of Time, fertilizes and nourishes dreams, washing away all cares. *Possible physical and/or psychological manifestations: disabilities, chronic illness (especially head and throat ailments and accidents: Cetus' head is here), blindness, hearing difficulties, paralysis, suffocation, drowning, alcoholism, sado-masochism, possible danger from explosions, blockages, animal attacks, assassination; may become involved in religious events.*

Examples of the Ascendant here include **Gerald Ford**, US President, **Ferdinand de Lesseps**, 19th-century diplomat and promoter of the Suez Canal, **Edward Broadbent**, Canadian politician and President of the International Centre for Human Rights and Democratic Development, **Luis Alvarez**, physicist, Professor **Angela Davis**, scholar, writer, activist, co-founder of National Alliance Against Racism and Political Repression, **James Wright**, poet, **Vivien Leigh**, actress (manic depression, died of tuberculosis), **Robert Helpmann**, dancer, choreographer and actor, **Tom McLoughlin**, mime and actor, **Edgar Rice Burroughs**, author ("Tarzan"), **Michael Bennett**, dancer, choreographer and director (drug addict, died of AIDS), **Greg Allman**, rock musician (drugs, alcohol), **Pancho Gonzales**, tennis champion

Starset TAU TAURI - 10°Ge35' to 14°Ge16'

The North Node is aligned with starset Tau Tauri

The North Node represents connections, associations and the need for courage to attempt new and untried experiences. In your horoscope, the North Node is the channel through which you receive, experience and express the energies of these stars.

Tau Tauri is a star at the base of Taurus, the Bull's north horn, accompanied in these celestial longitudes by stars **58 Persei** in the right ankle of Perseus, the Hero or Rescuer, **Pi3** and **Omicron2 Orionis** in the lion skin-shield held in the left hand of Orion, the Hunter, **Psi Eridani** at the source of Eridanus, the River, **Epsilon Leporis** between the head and paw of Lepus, the Hare and **Omicron Columbae** near the breast of Columba, the Dove.

Living on the edge, willing to challenge accepted social values, you tend to be impatient and intemperate, even to the extent of putting yourself in harm's way. Impulsive, inquisitive, sensual, experimental and willful, you run ahead of the herd, and may suffer for it. Orion's hunting-and-aggression instincts (in China, Orion is seen as a great general) and Perseus' yearning to be a hero combine to generate within you a warrior mentality, a need to prove your courage and worth in perilous occupations. Even if conventionally employed, you may find yourself challenging the orthodoxies and proprieties of your profession and/or community. With the overlay of tropical Gemini you are shrewd, perceptive and analytical but intensely emotional at the same time, and there may be times when you are mocked, attacked, put down or ridiculed, and you may find yourself in situations where you have to keep your emotions under a tight rein. You may find an outlet and solace in the arts (especially music, theatre, and film), and religious faith. A few born under these stars feel compelled to boldly express their sexuality and their beliefs (at times the two combine), threatening the conservative status quo. The medieval study quadrivium of arithmetic, geometry, astronomy-astrology and music suits you, for these, along with physics, are fields in which you may excel. Columba, the Dove supplies an interest in flight, and Lepus, the Hare has always been associated with speed; in combination with Orion and Perseus, these stars have produced aircraft designers, aviators, test pilots and astronauts. Eridanus, the River's flow of time gives you an interest in the past, and combines with Perseus' desire to rescue: there are an unusual number of historians, archaeologists, and archaeological discoveries that "rescue" lost records and artifacts, and some astrological scholars as well. At best, you will acquire patience and learning that promotes love and tolerance. Among the issues that arise in your life are: acceptance or rejection by your family, community or nation, embracing or rejecting religion, choosing whether to keep to the law or flout it, and prejudice and your response to it. Here Orion, the mighty hunter and Perseus the Hero and Rescuer combine to help and fight for all who come under their protection, while Columba, the Dove offers a hope of a peaceful resolution of conflicts. *Possible physical and/or psychological manifestations: injuries, wounds, disabilities, loss of limbs (or head!), insanity, blindness or eye problems, addictions, sexual crimes, murder, serial killings, assassination, execution, possibility of danger from eruptions, explosions, storms, floods, and things falling from the sky: meteorites, bombs, planes, hail, rain, snow, lightning; Archangel and Virgin Mary apparitions*

* Sun aligned with this Starset

Examples of the Sun here include **Karl von Clausewitz**, 18th-19th-century general, military historian and land warfare theorist, **John Bell Hood**, US Civil War Confederate Cavalry officer (many wounds, lost a leg-had himself strapped in saddle each morning-died in a Yellow Fever epidemic), **Brigham Young**, pioneering 19th-century Mormon leader, **Norman Vincent Peale**, clergyman, **Tony Curtis**, **Marilyn Monroe** (suicide), **Andy Griffith**, actors, **Fred Allen**, comedian, **Pat Boone**, singer-actor, **Nelson Riddle**, composer-conductor, **Wallace Hartley**, Titanic's bandleader (kept the band playing to calm the passengers-they all went down with the ship), **Robert Merrill**, baritone, **Thomas Hardy**, author, **Henry Beston**, author, naturalist, ambulance driver in WWI (Perseus, the Rescuer!), **Walt Whitman**, 19th-century poet, **Allen Ginsberg**, poet, **Sir W Flinders Petrie**, 19th-20th-century Egyptologist, archeologist and metrologist, **Dr Aristide Agramonte**, physician, bacteriologist and hygienist, **Johnny Weismuller**, champion swimmer-turned-actor ("Tarzan" films), **Rita Faulkner**, con artist, **David Berkowitz**, army sharpshooter and "Son of Sam" murderer

Examples of the NorthNode here include **Czarina Alexandra** of Russia, who encouraged her husband in his natural tendency to absolutism (assassinated with her family during Russian Revolution), **Calvin Coolidge**, US President, **Jennie Jerome Churchill** (Lady Randolph Churchill), Winston's mother, USN Captain **James Lovell**, navy test pilot and NASA astronaut, commander of the fateful Apollo 13 moon mission, **Frank Borman**, astronaut and airline executive ("strong, precise, determined, competitive, a natural leader"), **Roald Amundsen**, Norwegian explorer-1st to reach the South Pole, **Dr Deepak Chopra**, physician-guru, **Bertrand Russell**, philosopher, mathematician and anti-war activist ("extraordinarily complex, intensely intellectual yet at the same time passionate to the point of near-madness; an atheist yet fascinated by my mysticism"), **Elia Kazan**, director, **Steven Spielberg**, filmmaker, **Edward Albee**, playwright, **Brooke Shields**, **Shirley Booth**, **Patti Duke**, actresses, **Suzanne Somers**, actress and poet, **Shirley Temple Black**, actress, dancer and diplomat, **David Bowie**, rock star and actor, **Evelyn Glennie**, profoundly deaf solo percussionist, **Carl Zeiss**, industrialist and manufacturer of optical instruments, Sir **James Frazer**, anthropologist, **Stanford White**, architect (murdered by his lover's jealous husband), **Gianni Versace**, fashion designer (murdered-shot in head), **Terence McKenna**, explorer, shaman, ethno-pharmacologist (died at 54 of brain tumor), **Karl Ritter**, 18th-19th-century geographer, "founder of the science of modern comparative geography," **Gabriel Garcia Marquez**, author, **Sri Aurobindo**, mystic, poet and author, **Al Capp**, cartoonist ("L'il Abner"), **Larry Csonka**, football fullback, **James Earl Ray**, assassin of Martin Luther King Jr, **Ted Bundy**, serial killer (executed)

Starset CAPELLA - 19°Ge10' to 21°Ge25'

Uranus is aligned with starset Capella

High-strung Uranus' influence is unconventional, eccentric, inventive, original, self-willed, erratic, extreme, restless, rebellious, psychic and utopian; it correlates to

everything new – especially new technologies, electronics, innovations and inventions. In your horoscope, Uranus is the channel through which you receive, experience and express the energies of these stars.

Capella, the 6th-brightest star in the sky (actually a Red Giant with two companion stars), is Alpha Aurigae, the brilliant star in the Goat that is held in the left arm of Auriga, the Charioteer; it is accompanied in these celestial longitudes by **Bellatrix**, Gamma Orionis in the left shoulder of Orion, the Hunter, **Ensis**, Eta Orionis in his left hip, **Thabit**, Upsilon Orionis below his sword, **Arneb**, Alpha Leporis in the neck of Lepus, the Hare, and **109 Tauri** in the south horn of Taurus, the Bull. In the most ancient lunar mansions (Sumero-Akkadian-Semitic, ca 3,000 BCE), **Bellatrix**, **Ensis** and **Thabit** were part of *Kakkab Lugal*, The Mighty Man (Orion), and **Capella** was Messenger of Light, Tempest of the Grove-of-Life, Patron Star of the city of Babylon; as Babylon was *Bab-ili*, the "Gate of the Gods;" Capella, its patron-star, was called "Star of the Gate" (Capella marked the Vernal Equinox about 3,900 BCE). In the lunar mansions of ancient China, **Bellatrix** and **Thabit** were determinant stars of *Tsan*, The Supreme Commander, a trustworthy military leader with nearly absolute authority:

You are proud, fiercely ambitious, courageous and adventurous with a strong sense of personal destiny. Gifted, creative, individualistic and non-conformist, you make your own rules, for better or worse. You have great ability, but there is within you an inner battle between prejudice and tolerance, cynicism and hope, loner versus social impulses, along with a defiant need to "shake a fist at heaven" and deny that codes of behavior, civil or moral, have any claim upon you (or you simply have an impulse to create your own philosophy rather than accepting a ready-made one). Serious, earnest and thoughtful, you can't stand to be ignored and work hard to be noticed and admired. With the overlay of tropical Gemini, you are intensely curious and are fascinated by ancient artifacts and texts (17th-century astrologer William Lilly wrote "The little Goat...begets in the minds of men a curiosity, together with much carefulnesse and fearfulness; such would know all things, and itch after novelties." With your unique and original way of seeing things and the courage to dare to be different, you have the potential to enrich mankind - an unusual number of artists, writers, musicians, linguists and theatre people, as well as military and sports figures (in ancient China, the stars of Auriga were seen as a military encampment), have placements in these longitudes. There is a darker side to these stars; along with a strong sensuality and a demanding nature, which occasionally produces a "prima donna," a few become brutal and callous criminals. Some here have come to be known to deny divinity, ethics, and humankind, getting sucked into a black vortex of "I am God" egomania, reveling in the use of cruel force, control and power. Brooding, hot-tempered, tough, critical, fanatic, intolerant and temperamental, they are also lustful, cynical, selfish, egotistical and amoral. There may be issues in your life of exploitation (the "prey" of hunter Orion) and a possible preoccupation with victimization and death. Nonetheless the light of brilliant Capella, star of the mother goat (called "Ptah, the Opener" in ancient Egypt and "Messenger of Light" in Euphratean texts) can illuminate the mind, lifting the burdens of life from great Orion's shoulder. *Possible physical and/or psychological manifestations: mental problems; murderers, assassins, assassination victims, imprisonment; possible danger from fanaticism, intolerance, disease, fevers,*

attacks, volcanic eruptions, fog or other weather conditions that can lead to shipwreck

Examples of Uranus here include **Robert I "The Bruce,"** 13th-14th-century King of Scotland, **William Jefferson Clinton,** US President, **Kenneth Starr,** prosecutor in the Clinton impeachment, **William Randolph Hearst,** billionaire newspaper publisher, **Bruce Ismay,** Manager of White Star Line who took a seat in a lifeboat, saving himself in Titanic disaster, **Voltaire** (Francois-Marie Arouet), 18th-century satirist, philosopher and skeptic, **Terence McKenna,** explorer, shaman, ethno-pharmacologist (died at 54 of a brain tumor), **Claude Debussy,** composer, **Carrie Jacobs Bond,** composer of sentimental songs, Tin Pan Alley's first million-selling woman songwriter, **Maurice Maeterlinck,** author and occultist, **James Wyeth,** artist, **Cynthia Gregory,** prima ballerina, **Steven Spielberg,** filmmaker, **Patti Duke,** actress (manic-depressive), **Gianni Versace,** fashion designer (murdered-shot in head), **Uri Geller,** psychic and charlatan, **Larry Csonka,** football fullback, **Ted Bundy,** serial murderer (executed)

Starset PRAESEPE - 5°Le37' to 9°Le12'

Saturn is aligned with starset Praesepe

Cautious, serious, conservative Saturn has an influence that is structuring, controlling and disciplinary; it represents authority, rules, organizing and teaching, but can also repress, limit, frustrate and delay, in order, in the long run, to bring about patience, dedication and discipline; it is the "great teacher" of the planets. In your horoscope, Saturn is the channel through which you receive, experience and express the energies of these stars.

OC (Open Cluster) **Praesepe** is M44 Cancri, a nebulous cluster in the shell of Cancer, the Crab; it is also called Little Cloud, Little Mist, Manger and Crib, but most famously "**The Beehive.**" In ancient Orphic and Platonic doctrine, the stars of Cancer, the Crab formed the "**Gate of Mankind**" where souls entered Earth's dimension as they took on human form at birth. In Indo-Aryan and Moslem teachings, bees symbolized souls because they migrate in swarms (it was thought that souls "swarmed" from divine unity like bees); in ancient China, this area was called the "ghosts" or "spirits," thus both eastern and western traditions relate souls and spirits to this place in the sky! Praesepe is accompanied in these celestial longitudes by **North Asellus,** Gamma Cancri and **South Asellus,** Delta Cancri (both in the Crab's shell, near the Beehive), **Sarir Banat al Na'ash,** Theta Ursa Majoris in Ursa Major, the Greater Bear's right front leg, **Sigma Puppis** in the Stern of Argo Navis, the Great Ship of the far-southern skies, as well as Open Cluster **M48** and **C Hydrae,** both in the area of the poisonous breath of Hydra, the Water Snake. In the ancient lunar mansions of China, **Praesepe** (M44), **North Asellus** and **South Asellus** were determinant stars of *Kuei*, The Spirits or Carriage of Ghosts (also called *T'ien-Soung*, Celestial Punisher), presiding over sickness, death, extermination, battlefields, horses, soldiers, war materiel and buried treasures hoarded in wartime, thus accumulated wealth, including jewels. **M44** was also *Tsi-Chi*, Piled-Up Corpses, *Tsi-Chi-K'i*, Exhalation of Piled-up Corpses (souls leaving bodies) and "Eye of the Sky," (anciently, the eyes of China's Great Red Bird were here, governing watchfulness over wicked people); another name was *Fou-Tchi*, The Cutlass used for slaughtering sacrificial animals. In ancient India, the same stars were determinants of *Pusya*, 'Nourishment,'

'Nourishing,' also called *Sidhya*, "Lucky," "Successful;" symbolized by a cow's udder, ruled by Brhaspati, priest of the Gods, with his qualities of nourishment, plumpness, blossoming, good fortune, as well as prayer, speech and wisdom. In the lunar mansions of Arabia, they were part of *al Nathrah*; Nose, Gap or Crib, the upper lip of a huge, extended Arab lion; the **Aselli** (North and South Ascensus) were his nostrils, Praesepe his uvula

Here energies of the wild, untamed Bear and the Crab's Beehive Cluster combine with a seething, fiercely focused intensity: you are a natural leader, single-minded, obsessive, fanatic, and willing to take risks. Aggressive, conquering, enterprising and dictatorial, you have the potential to be an industrialist and/or head of your own business. Water, the element common to the Ship, Crab, and Hydra, makes you a vast emotional holding pond, containing and expressing reservoirs of talent, ferment and energy. Strongly Neptunian (in both the positive and negative sense, that is, imaginative, high-minded and spiritual, but also delusive or illusion-prone) with an interest in psychic phenomena and alternate realities, you are at the same time analytical and attentive to detail. The Crab was the ancient Orphic/Platonic "Gate of Souls' Incarnation:" astrologers, who analyze the date and time that souls incarnate, are found here. Creative, inventive, taken with the myths and glories of the past; you are drawn to mysticism, and may become an author, poet and skilled wordsmith. At your best you are hard-working, feverishly energetic (many sports champions have placements here), pioneering, productive and idealistic, with an inner sense of power and potential; at your worst, brutal, blatantly prejudiced, critical of others and at the same time smugly self-justifying. With the overlay of tropical Leo, you are aristocratic, arrogant, controlling, interested in power whether direct or occult, you may be prone to arbitrary, willful, unilateral actions that attract controversy, either fomenting or suffering slander and/or violent intolerance. Cultivate truthfulness, for honesty and forbearance are not necessarily your strong points. There are, in your life, sharply polarized issues of idealism, mysticism and fundamentalist passions versus dispassionate judgment, objectivity, and respect for hard, cold facts; the alternative choices of daring and win-at-all-costs recklessness versus caution, integrity and wise conservatism; and there are life-long choices to be made between greed and selfishness or the alternatives of generosity, charity, temperance, pro bono work, care of the environment and a resolve to "do the right thing." You may commit or attract violence and/or persecutions, and some born under these stars get bogged down in sensuality, self-indulgence and addiction; yet there are always opportunities to evolve from stubborn intemperance and aggression to creating, and sustaining, peace, both within yourself and among others. There is something to do with food here (this is the area of the ancient Hindu lunar mansion *Pusya*, nourishment). Here the Mother Bear Ursa Major fiercely protects her progeny, while the busy bees of Praesepe produce nourishing honey. *Possible physical and/or psychological manifestations: head ailments and injuries, fevers, allergies, sight issues (blindness, color blindness, eye problems or unusually keen eyesight), addictions, bee stings; intense energies, ghost and UFO encounters, embarkations, invasions, amphibious, shoreline, harbor and riverside events; possible danger from fires, explosions, epidemics, toxic conditions, insect attacks, storms, shipwrecks, riots, assassination or other violent death*

Examples of Saturn here include **Charles XII**, 17th-18th-century King of Sweden, chaste, severely self-disciplined military genius who became king at 15 (killed at 36 by head wound during a siege), **William Clark**, 18th-19th-century soldier, explorer (as well as journal-keeper, map-maker and artist) of the Lewis and Clark expedition, later Governor of the Missouri Territory and Superintendent of Indian Affairs (appealed many times to the federal government to show justice and humanity to Indians), **Chiang Kai-Shek**, Chinese Nationalist leader, **Betty Ford**, US First Lady (overcame alcoholism), **Benedict Arnold**, patriot, hero of American Revolution who became a traitor, Catholic Archbishop **Oscar Romero** of El Salvador (spoke out against government injustice, cruelty, state-supported death squads, murdered while performing mass), **John Brown**, 19th-century violent anti-slavery abolitionist (hanged), **Srinivasa Ramanujan**, "the man who knew infinity," brilliant self-taught mathematician who knew and used astrology, an intensely devout mystic who believed the goddess Namagiri inspired him (research fellow at Cambridge, suicide attempt, died of tuberculosis at 32), **Blaise Pascal**, 17th-century philosopher and mathematician, **Pierre Curie**, 19th-early 20th-century pioneering scientist (crystallography, magnetism, piezoelectricity, radioactivity) (killed at 46 when his head was crushed in an accident), **Boris Karloff**, **Mercedes McCambridge** (alcoholic), **Patti Duke** (manic-depressive), **William Holden**, actors, **Suzanne Somers**, actress and poet, **Steven Spielberg**, filmmaker, **W H Fox Talbot**, 19th-century photography pioneer, chemist, archaeologist and decipherer of cuneiform, **Pearl Bailey**, singer, **David Bowie**, rock star and actor, **John Lee Hooker**, blues guitarist and singer, **Arlo Guthrie**, musician and songwriter, **Cleveland Amory**, television critic, **Mike Wallace**, television newsman, **Jack Paar**, television host, **Georgia O'Keeffe**, artist, **Gianni Versace**, fashion designer (murdered-shot in head), **Diane Von Furstenberg**, fashion entrepreneur, **Dr Deepak Chopra**, physician and guru, **Terence McKenna**, explorer, shaman and ethno-pharmacologist (died at 54 of brain tumor), **A E Houseman**, Latinist, poet and translator of Manilius' *Astronomica*, Sir **Arthur Conan Doyle**, author (Sherlock Holmes stories), physician, investigator of psi phenomena, **Salmon Rushdie**, author (condemned to death by an Islamic fatwa for blasphemy), **Uri Geller**, psi performer, **Robert/Roberta Cowell**, transsexual racing driver and fighter pilot, **Larry Csonka**, football fullback, **O J Simpson**, football running back, accused of murdering his wife, **Ted Bundy**, serial killer (executed)

Starset ACUBENS - 11°Le55' to 16°Le23'

Pluto is aligned with starset Acubens

Pluto represents deep insight, revelation, profound transformation, and bringing-to-consciousness that which has been hidden, buried or forgotten; its effect is deep, intense and obsessive (some deal with Pluto's obsessive tendencies by reaching for the opposite polarity, i.e. rejection or repudiation); In your horoscope, Pluto is the channel through which you receive, experience and express the energies of these stars.

Acubens (also called Sertan) is Alpha Cancri in Cancer, the Crab's south claw ("Acubens" comes from *Al Zubanah*, the Claw). There is an overlap of the Crab and the Lion here; Acubens is accompanied in these celestial longitudes by **Minchir al Asad**, Kappa Leonis, the forelock or nose of Leo (*minchir* means nose), **Dubhe**, Alpha Ursae

Majoris in the body of Ursa Major, the Greater Bear ("Dubhe" is from *al-dubb*, the Bear); it is the brightest star in the familiar asterism "The Big Dipper" (also called "The Plough" or "The Wagon"). **Dubhe** is one of the two "pointer stars" used to find Polaris, the Pole Star. Other stars here are **Kochab**, Beta Ursae Minoris in the right shoulder of Ursa Minor, the Lesser Bear, **Kappa Draconis** in the tail of Draco, the Dragon (both Ursa Minor and Draco are high in the north, circling the Pole), **Rho Hydrae** in the head of Hydra, the Water-Snake, **Xi Cancris** in the head (or eye) of Cancer, the Crab and minor stars in Puppis, the Stern of **Argo Navis**, the Great Ship, in the far southern skies. Ancient Orphic and Platonic doctrine held that the stars of Cancer, the Crab formed the "**Gate of Mankind**" where souls entered Earth's dimension as they took on human form at birth.

Under the puissant Dragon, the Crab's tenacious claw, Ursa Major's alpha star and earliest star of the royal Lion's head, you are a soul with courage to spare! You grab for power and glory and cling to it with stubborn determination, and with your keen awareness of history, you will go to great lengths to be part of it. Vivid, dramatic, infused with tremendous inner energy and a natural physicality, you attack life head-on and make a strong, lasting impression. Willing to gamble, speculate, and take big risks, you are bold, adventurous, resourceful, need excitement, and are likely to become involved in governing and/or leadership positions within your profession. You are a true Lion - Leo in both zodiacs - with a Lion's inclination to be courageous and domineering and the Bear's "I know what's best for you" maternalism, you may "rush in where angels fear to tread" only to find yourself beleaguered, even physically endangered. Imperious, bossy, grasping, passionately willful, you will not give in, give up or let go of what you have, and under the influence of the grasping Crab, you could become involved in speculative mania, losing everything in the process. Keenly aware of social problems, your mind is inquisitive, imaginative, image-forming, inventive and geared to problem-solving; besides government, law, the military and sports, some of the fields you may be drawn to include politics, the military, medicine, psychology, astrology, education, hygiene and environmental concerns (you have a great love of nature), as well as technology and invention; you also enjoy a particular feeling for the arts, and are fascinated with anything weird, exotic, strange, even sinister. No stranger to scandal, under pressure, you could become sensual, self-indulgent, manipulative, irritable, even cruel, and if you cannot make your mark in a positive way, you may turn to crime or self-destruction, for this is a contentious, intolerant energy that cannot be repressed, and both lawmakers and lawbreakers are represented under these stars. There is the possibility of a dramatic mid-life "turn-around," completely converting and transforming your life-path. Issues here include slavery of the flesh and freedom of the spirit; personal cleanliness and health; passivity or despair versus active determination to better yourself, your neighbors and your environment; independence and self-determination versus obeying orders or knuckling under to the will of others, greedy, selfish, careless use of resources versus care of and for the environment; extremism versus temperance; wise use versus misuse of power, and humanitarian action, kindness and helpfulness versus coldness, indifference, intolerance, cruelty, sado-masochism, violence. Lion, Serpent, and Bears, Oh My! With the help of the Crab, these stars combine ferocity, courage and wisdom, stirring the spirit, inspiring the soul. *Possible physical and/or psychological manifestations: blindness, eye*

problems, head and face ailments or injuries (the Lion's nose is here), mental problems, depression, addiction, pedophilia, multiple births, birth defects, danger of accidents, violence, imprisonment, suicide; choking, suffocation, illnesses due to unclean, polluted, or contaminated surroundings and/or epidemics (Hydra's poisonous influence), and issues relating to the destruction or protection of children and animals; possible danger from unusual or extreme weather conditions: storms, floods, shipwrecks, drowning, fires, smoke, fogs, air pollution, epidemics, persecutions, assassination, wild animal attacks

Examples of Pluto here include **Richard III**, 15th-century King of England (hunchback) (accused of having his nephews, heirs to the throne, murdered, he was killed in battle), **Sergio Vieira De Mello**, UN Commissioner for Human Rights (killed by Gulf War II terrorist bomb, Baghdad), **George W Bush**, US President, **Arnold Schwarzenegger**, bodybuilder, actor, Gov of California, **Dan White**, San Francisco Board of Supervisors conservative, anti-gay politician-turned-assassin (suicide by carbon monoxide asphyxiation), **Clarence Thomas**, Associate Justice, US Supreme Court, **Albert Sacco, Jr**, chemical engineer and astronaut, **Christa McAuliffe**, teacher (killed in Challenger Space Shuttle disaster), **Leonardo da Vinci**, 15th-16th-century artist and inventor, **Girolamo Savonarola**, fiery 15th-century Dominican preacher, reformer, ascetic and prophet remembered for his "bonfire of the vanities" - the burning of lewd pictures, gaming tables, books and art (tortured, hung, burned), **Robert Zoller**, **Kathy Daley** (drowned-possible suicide), **Bernadette Brady**, astrologers, **Clive Kavan**, astrologer, publisher and electrical (sound) engineer, **Murray Steinman**, astrologer and business manager specializing in public relations and conflict resolution, **Jay Leno**, comedian and talk show host, **David Cassidy**, singer-actor, **Steven Spielberg**, **Oliver Stone** (severely criticized for mutilating history and presenting it as fact), filmmakers, **Suzanne Somers**, actress and poet, **Ted Danson**, actor and environmentalist, **Patty Duke** (manic-depressive), **Henry Winkler**, actors, **Bobby McFerrin** and **Arlo Guthrie**, musicians, **Uri Geller**, psi performer, **Diane Stratos**, metaphysician and spiritual healer, **Dr Deepak Chopra**, physician and guru, **Diane von Furstenberg**, fashion entrepreneur, **Gianni Versace**, fashion designer (murdered-shot in head), **Terence McKenna**, explorer, shaman, ethno-pharmacologist (died at 54 of brain tumor), **Stephen King** (severely injured, barely survived in road accident), author of horror stories (fear of insanity), **Pinchas Zuckerman**, violinist, **Gregg Allman**, blues-rock vocalist, **Cat Stevens** (Stephen Demetri Georgiou), singer and songwriter educated in Sweden, now Yusuf Islam, a devout Muslim active in cultural education causes in Britain (recluse), **David Bowie**, rock star and actor, **Wolfgang Puck**, **Aldo Maiorana**, chefs, **Candice Leek**, sharpshooter, salvage diver, cop and criminal justice professor, **Ingrid Newkirk**, founder of PETA, People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals, **Joseph Hazelwood**, sea captain (Argo!) (alcoholic, responsible for Exxon Valdez oil spill), **Jim Plunkett**, football quarterback, **Larry Csonka**, football fullback, **O J Simpson**, football running back, accused of murdering his wife, **Joseph Wolfson**, surfer champion "a free and flamboyant spirit" (lung cancer, died in car crash-a possible suicide), **Male** (name withheld), 3 operations after accident to eyes, **Female** (name withheld), female, eye surgeon, **Luc Jouret**, Solar Temple cult co-founder and leader (died in murder-suicide-ritual slaughter of 69 members), **Anonymous** male, philanderer and drug abuser, shot wife in face, killing her, **Anonymous** female (violent, possessive), shot in face by drug abusing,

philandering husband, killed, **Ted Bundy**, serial killer (executed-electric chair), **Susan Atkins**, "Manson family" murderer, **Thomas Dillon**, serial sniper-killer of men, animals

Starset VINDEMIATRIX - 8°Li30' to 12°Li18'

Neptune is aligned with starset Vindemiatrix

Neptune's influence is imaginative and boundary-dissolving; it is the power of the mind to create its own reality, thus it can be either a source of inspiration or an area of illusion and/or escapism. In your horoscope, Neptune is the channel through which you receive, experience and express the energies of these stars.

Vindemiatrix (also called Almuredin), known from ancient times as "the star of widowhood," is Epsilon Virginis in the right wing of Virgo, the Virgin; it is accompanied in these celestial longitudes by **Caphir** (also called Porrima), Gamma Virginis in the Virgin's left arm, **Auva** (also called Minelauva), Delta Virginis in the Virgin's 'girdle' or belt, **Gienah**, Gamma Corvi in the wing of Corvus, the Crow (there is another Gienah in the sky, in Cygnus, the Swan; the name is derived from *Al Janah*, the wing), **Alchiba**, Alpha Corvi in the head of Corvus, the Crow, **Minkar**, Epsilon Corvi in the Crow's neck, and **Mu Velorum** in Vela, the Sail of the great ship **Argo Navis** (in China, **Mu Velorum** was a star of *K'i-Fou*, a Storehouse for musical instruments, food and utensils for an annual Great Feast). **Gienah**, **Alchiba** and **Minkar** were determinant stars of ancient India's lunar mansion *Hasta*, the Hand, associated with reaping, gathering and handcrafts, ruled by Savitr, the Impeller, giver of life who aided childbirth, now equated with Ravi (Surya), the Sun God who rules this mansion; his rays are often thought of as hands; *Hasta* is associated with activities of the hand and what can be held in it: quantity, mass, reaping, gathering, opening, gathering, handcrafts - and laughter, through a pun on *has-*, to laugh. In ancient China, the same stars were part of the lunar mansion *T'ien-Tche*, the Celestial Chariot or Running Board, (in the tail of their huge, very ancient Great Red Bird), associated with vehicles, high-speed travel, and by extension, wealth and wind. **Vindemiatrix**, **Caphir** and **Auva** were determinant stars of Arabia's lunar mansion *al-Awwa*, the Barker or Howler (dogs barking behind the lion). **Vindemiatrix**, "The Star of Widowhood" has a connection to India, which is not surprising, as widowhood has been, since ancient times, an issue there. An ancient association with the harvesting of grapes is shared by Epsilon Virginis and Alpha Boötes (Vindemiatrix and Arcturus).

Sails, sky and wings! Our Corvus, the Crow is part of the tail of China's Great Red Bird and, in the West, of the Virgin's wing: combining tropical Libra's element of air and the Virgin's realm of discerning intellect, gifted explorers of nature and the realms of language are born under these stars. Fascinated with words, images, idiom and folklore, with a curious, inquiring mind and a willingness to experiment, you are constantly learning, trying to go beyond what you already know, and can do. Coma's dedication is applied to the preservation of traditions and survival of ancient knowledge and artifacts. There is a strong theme here of royalty and military "figurehead" leadership. You tend to conservatism, and may attain high positions or be born into them. Nevertheless, although tremendously gifted, you may also be tremendously troubled, even becoming turbulent, bullying, domineering and manipulative. Longing for the Virgin's purity (a possible

source of Almuredin is *Al Muredin*, "one sent forth in the faith"), there is a danger that you may become a self-righteous "holier-than-thou" zealot, fearing God's displeasure, persecuting those who (in your eyes) do not adhere to your ideas of morality and high standards. Searching for eternal truths, often torn between philosophical polarities, you may latch onto political, scientific or religious absolutes, or, at the other extreme, you may hide behind intellectual cynicism, demanding "proofs" of the existence of God, setting yourself up as a guardian of the (presumed) sureties of science and fact (deafness is common here, symbolizing a reluctance or refusal to listen). Although your use of words is elegant, there is a danger that you might misuse your verbal gifts, going for the jugular with sardonic sneering and sarcasm (the less sure you are of what you know, the more fiercely you will assert it!) Light, sight and clarity of mind are your true realm, and within it you flourish; but if you abandon it for lower ground, you might become like a blindfolded prisoner in a dark room, battling skepticism and existential despair. Few other skylines are so polarized between light and dark, clear air and suffocating darkness, with a tremendous conflict between the Virgin's honest, upright will-to-good and Hydra's dark lair of greed, sensuality and arrogant self-interest. Under pressure, you might be tempted to dishonesty, become implicated in scandals, and have trouble with the law, or become involved with oppressions and/or struggles against them (transits to these stars often bring about major changes in laws, mores, governments and ways of thinking, at times preceded, accompanied, or followed by "witch hunts" - explosions of fanatic, vicious intolerance, cruelty and brutality). Some with placements here are persecuted for their convictions, others believe that cruel extremes justify the protection of their beliefs: there may be atrocities, even drastic exterminations, either dealt out or suffered. Vindematrix has, from early times, been called "The Star of Widowhood:" many (of both sexes) with placements here will experience the loss of a partner, or there may be a separation or alienation from the opposite sex due to fate, choice, or circumstances. It is well, in this regard, to recall that the role of a virgin (i.e. an unwed woman) was in ancient times a rare gift of freedom, an opportunity to function and develop independently, free of the burdens, responsibilities and limitations of partnership and parenting. Occupations here include religion, the military, medicine (especially medical pioneering), farming, cuisine, handcrafts (*Hasta!*), archaeology, philology, literature, law, science, mathematics, the occult, the theatre (especially comedy-*Hasta* was associated with laughter), and professions having to do with light, sight and the sky such as astronomy, astrology, meteorology, aviation and space, along with high positions of leadership and responsibility. If you attain a position of power, your task is to turn war and hatred into peace and cooperation. Other issues include human rights, law, and religious freedom versus oppression, suppression, entrapment; and whether to fight or to compromise, give in; cruelty versus benevolence and justice; adventure, exploration, freedom versus rigid adherence to tradition and dogma; the destruction versus the salvage of ancient knowledge, traditions, and artifacts. Here fresh winds fill Argo's Sail, sweeping her through dangerous straits into the clear, clean air of freedom. *Possible physical and/or psychological manifestations: hearing and sight problems, blindness, head, throat and arm injuries, lung ailments, including pneumonia, emphysema or tuberculosis, spinal deformities, insanity, self-immolation or deliberate burning of others; possible danger from fires, natural disasters, air crashes and ship disasters, rebellions, religious and political persecutions, "witch hunts," exterminations, air contamination,*

public health crises; meteorite falls and air and space events also occur under these stars

Examples of Neptune here include **Richard III**, 15th-century King of England, accused of having his nephews, heirs to the throne, murdered (killed in battle), **Martin Van Buren**, 19th-century US President, **Simon Bolivar**, 18th-19th-century South American liberator (died at 47 of tuberculosis), **Hillary Clinton**, lawyer, US First Lady and New York Senator, **Clarence Thomas**, conservative Associate Justice, US Supreme Court (accused of sexual harassment), **Arnold Schwarzenegger**, body-builder, actor and Governor of California, Sen. **Daniel Webster** of Massachusetts, 18th-19th-century lawyer and orator, US Secretary of State, **Sergio Vieira De Mello**, UN Commissioner for Human Rights (killed by Gulf War II terrorist bomb, Baghdad), **Terence McKenna**, explorer, shaman and ethno-pharmacologist (died at 54 of brain tumor), **Dr Deepak Chopra**, physician and guru, **Nicholas Culpepper**, 17th-century physician, astrologer and herbalist (had nervous breakdown when fiancé killed, died of tuberculosis at 37), **William Gutsch**, astronomer and meteorologist, **Stephen King**, author of horror stories (severely injured, barely survived in road accident) (admits to a fear of insanity), **Washington Irving**, author, **Steven Spielberg**, filmmaker, **Patty Duke**, actress (manic-depressive), **Suzanne Somers**, actress and poet, **Marie Antoine Carême**, 18th-19th-century founder of La Grande Cuisine Francaise (classic French cooking) (also an artist and writer), **Gianni Versace**, fashion designer (murdered-shot in head), **Niccolo Paganini**, "the devil's fiddler," 18th-19th-century violinist and composer (child prodigy) (many believed he had sold his soul to the devil for his extraordinary musical prowess), Sir **Elton John**, rock musician, **Pinchas Zuckerman**, violinist, **Tim Buckley**, singer and songwriter, **Cat Stevens** (Stephen Demetri Georgiou), singer and songwriter educated in Sweden, now Yusuf Islam, a devout Muslim active in cultural education causes in Britain (recluse), **David Bowie**, rock star-actor, **Girolamo Savonarola**, 15th-century fiery Dominican preacher, reformer, ascetic and prophet remembered for his "bonfire of the vanities" - the burning of lewd pictures, gaming tables, books and art (tortured, hung, burned), **Luc Jouret**, Solar Temple cult co-founder and leader (died in murder-suicide-ritual slaughter of 69 members), **Larry Csonka**, football fullback, **Kareem Abdul-Jabbar** (Lew Alcindor), basketball star, **Kathy Daley**, astrologer (drowned-possible suicide), **Male** (no name given), philanderer and drug abuser, shot wife in face, killing her, **Male** (no name given), 3 operations after accident to eyes, **Ted Bundy**, law student and serial murderer (executed in electric chair)

Starset NUSAKAN - 7°Sc41' to 10°Sc01'

Jupiter is aligned with starset Nusakan

Jupiter, a knowledge-and-experience-seeking planet, has an influence that is expansive, enlarging, increasing, confident, cheerful, optimistic, generous, out-going, free-wheeling, freedom-loving, ethical, philosophical and humane, but can also be disdainful, careless, over-confident and irresponsible. In your horoscope, Jupiter is the channel through which you receive, experience and express the energies of these stars.

Nusakan is Beta Coronae Borealis in Corona Borealis, the Northern Crown, a star that is accompanied in these celestial longitudes by **Rijl al Awwa**, Mu Virginis in the right foot

of Virgo, the Virgin, **Omega Centauri**, a globular cluster in the horse's back of Centaurus, the Centaur, "the biggest and brightest globular cluster in the sky," and **Mu1 Crucis**, just east of the top star in Crux, the Southern Cross. Early, dim stars of **Libra**, the Scales are here. In ancient Akkad, **Rijl al Awwa**, with one other star, was *Mulu-izi*, "Man of Fire."

Courage and "true grit" are keynotes here: once you have set your mind to do something, you allow nothing to stand in your way, even threats to your life. Danger seems to be your natural element - if there is not an element of risk in your undertakings you do not feel truly alive, or true to yourself. Born under Crown, Centaur, Virgin and Cross, it never seems to occur to you to back off from a challenge or position, and you may find yourself fighting against great odds, or, with an instinct to test your strength and endurance, you may deliberately put yourself in situations where you must pit yourself against severe hazards. Idealistic, your religion, philosophy or beliefs form the core of your being, and, with a strong need to be different and to go your own way, you may stand up for ideas that are considered unusual, outrageous, or even "heresy," in your chosen field. Domineering and controlling, "quick on the trigger," you often seem to be "spoiling for a fight" (centaur - *kentauros* - is derived from a Greek root meaning "to goad") and some of the more extreme born under these stars are drawn to fascism or other radical beliefs). You have an inquiring mind, enjoy playing with inventions and ideas, have a great love of words, and an excellent sense of symbols, shapes and visual details: if you survive your adventures, you like to write about them. An authority and a connoisseur, you recognize quality and demand the best in everything, but in the area of personal character and morality you do not necessarily live up to high standards, and this may become an issue in your life. 1st-century astrologer Manilius held that Corona Borealis was the floral wedding crown of Ariadne, and indeed flowers, gardening, botany, scents and perfumes may become important elements in your life, as well as Bach flower remedies. Many born here are explorers, inventors, geologists, geographers, mapmakers, mathematicians, poets, translators, scholars of ancient languages, occultists (with a particular interest in portents), lawyers, soldiers and police, chefs, physicians and surgeons. Mythical centaur Cheiron, whom Centaurus may represent, was known as "old handy" (*cheiro* is the Greek prefix for "hand"): hand skills and handcrafts are important here, as well as a love of animals, especially horses (1st-century astrologer Manilius wrote that those born under Centaurus "know how heal animals, to relieve dumb creatures of disorders they cannot describe for his hearing"). With the overlay of tropical Scorpio, your keen curiosity makes you a good interviewer; with your tendency to fanaticism, obsession, dominance and an ability to use words like knives, you are an effective interrogator and propagandist. Religious persecution is a possibility (either imposed or suffered - or both!); under the influence of Crux, the Southern Cross, there may other religious issues, especially related to Christianity. Some here are nonconformists with a bit of the wild and freaky in their natures; you may be obsessed with sex, and/or may be drawn to sadism, fetishes, dominance, and the equation of pleasure and pain. As a warrior and/or peacemaker, you have the ability to turn suffering into exaltation, misery into beauty. Issues include personal character and integrity, morality versus deliberate amorality, courage versus fear and despair. A Cross is an archetype of a human at full stretch, affirming the primary relationship between the

celestial (vertical, spiritual, intellectual, positive, active, masculine) and the earthly (horizontal, rational, innately wise, receptive, passive, feminine); here, above and beyond all conflicts, Crux, the Southern Cross stands as a beacon of hope for humanity. *Possible physical and/or psychological manifestations: lameness, head ailments, obsession, cruelty, insanity, addiction, murder, starvation; possible danger from fires, explosions, drought, blighted crops, famine, murder, assassination, execution*

Examples of Jupiter here include Sen. **Hubert Humphrey** of Minnesota, US Vice-President, Sen. **Robert Dole** of Kansas (severe war injuries to hands, arms when he rescued another GI) (nearly died), **Lavrenti Beria**, Head of USSR Internal Security who supervised purges (executed), **Richard Arkwright**, 18th-century inventor of the spinning frame, textile industrialist and pioneer of the factory system of production, **Carl Zeiss**, industrialist and manufacturer of optical instruments, **Julius C Scaliger**, 15th-century classical scholar, physician, botanist, geologist, grammarian and "virulent" literary critic, **Charles Emerson**, Uranian astrologer, astrology teacher and schoolteacher (alcoholic, diabetic, died at 69 of a stroke), **Charlotte Bronte**, 19th-century author, **Jean Genet**, French writer, playwright and convicted felon who described in his works an underworld of male prostitutes, convicts, pimps and social outcasts, **Aleister Crowley**, occultist, **Vincent Price**, actor and art connoisseur, **Beverly Nichols** (male), author (his father was a sadistic alcoholic), **Billy Rose**, showman and songwriter, **Humphrey Bogart**, actor, **Ramon Navarro**, silent film star (murdered by gay lover), **Ilse Bing**, pioneer avant-garde photographer, **Savannah**, porn star with huge silicon-enhanced breasts (committed suicide after an accident severely damaged her face), **Al Capone**, gangster

Starset MENKENT - 10°Sc02' to 14°Sc02'

The Sun is aligned with starset Menkent

The Sun represents dignity, authority, courage, self-confidence, self-assertion, the essential life force and central core of being, as well as health and physical vitality. In your horoscope, the Sun is the channel through which you receive, experience and express the energies of these stars.

Menkent is Theta Centauri in the shoulder of Centaurus, the Centaur, a star that is accompanied in these celestial longitudes by **Alphecca**, Alpha Coronae Borealis in Corona Borealis, the Northern Crown, **Mu Librae** in the South Scale of Libra, the Scales (in ancient times, this was the South Claw of an ancient, greater Scorpion), **Tau Herculis** in the right knee of Hercules, the Strong Man, **Acrux** and **Mimosa**, (Alpha and Beta Crucis) in Crux, the Southern Cross, as well as Open Cluster NGC 4755, "**The Jewel Box**," a famous "exquisitely beautiful" cluster of stars that are deep red, green, blue and a variety of other colors, in the east arm of the Cross. In ancient Akkad, **Mu Librae**, with one other star, was *Mulu-izi*, "Man of Fire"

Centaurus represents the legendary Greek centaur Cheiron, teacher of heroes, who was called "Old Handy;" temperamental, dramatic, impatient and adventurous, you live by your wits, adept at using whatever comes to hand to achieve your goals. With the added affect of Hercules, whom 1st-century astrologer Manilius said produced "daredevils," you

need and seek excitement, and are willing to risk everything, even your life, to work off your tremendous, painful inner restlessness. Some born under these influences may look upward and "reach out their hands amid the stars," becoming astronauts, astronomers or astrologers, eager to explore and understand the universe. With the overlay of tropical Scorpio, you are sensitive, sensual, moody, unsettled, with a remarkable and intuitive intellect, are fascinated by anything weird, grotesque and supernatural and dare to probe the deeper, fearful darkneses of the human psyche. Art, handcrafts, architecture, botany, herbs and gardening are among your interests; an innate sense of comedy, drama and showmanship make theatre (especially magic and illusion) dance, music (especially stringed instruments) and film natural outlets for your marvelous, outré imagination. Literature (especially mysteries), poetry, folk wisdom, prophecy, mysticism, the occult, psychic research, medicine and mathematics are areas of achievement as well. You need physical exercise, and may excel at sports and horsemanship. Manilius held that Corona Borealis was the floral wedding crown of Ariadne, and indeed flowers, gardening, botany, scents and perfumes may become important elements in your life, as well as Bach flower remedies. An earlier (Akkadian) name for Hercules was *Lugal*, "King" a representation of restive, ever-searching Gilgamesh, "Judge of the Masters of the Underworld;" with the added influence of the Northern Crown, there is an imperial ambition added to these energies, but with the danger that you might be tempted into corruption or a misuse of power and influence. Determined, resourceful, persevering, you are at the same time capable of severity, with a tendency to be proud, argumentative, prickly and critical of others, although your own moral character may be called into question. While you may strive for beneficence, at times you also may be deeply troubled, even bad-tempered, brooding and quarrelsome, making yourself and those around you wretched, but this is often offset by your good, ironic sense of humor. The influence of Crux, the Southern Cross brings in religion (especially Christianity), philosophy, mythology and mysticism, and the adoption of a deep, abiding and positive faith goes far to transform your life and ease your anguish. Some here, tormented by a lack of a sense of identity, compensate with a ruthless drive for fame and financial success. This is an area of persecutions (centaur - *kentauros* - is derived from a Greek root meaning "to goad"), acts of grave injustice, manifestations of fanatic intolerance and terrorism and, in a few, the tendency to think of terror, murder and extermination as a solution to problems (not only planes crash and burn here, but people as well!); nonetheless it is also true that great, universal legal and political milestones and advancements have taken place under these stars. There is an interesting combination here of the western Scales of Justice with ancient China's Balance and Lifting Mechanism of the Imperial Treasury (the stars of Centaurus), where standard weights and measures were kept; therefore both traditions, east and west, emphasize the need for equilibrium, fairness, honesty, self-control, adaptation, adjustment and reconciliation. There are also issues here of intolerance, of the too-ready use of violence, the dangers of temptation, corruption and criminality, masochistic self-destruction, of ethics, morality, honesty and justice versus dishonesty, along with a longing for purification and a lifelong effort to achieve inner peace and stability. Here, under the punishing, redeeming and purifying Centaur, the Southern Cross and the Scales of Justice, a lifelong search to achieve inner peace is ultimately rewarded. *Possible physical and/or psychological manifestations: blindness, head and eye injuries, lung problems, knee ailments, birth anomalies,*

dwarfism, addictions, violence, accident-proneness; possible danger from fires, storms, high winds, shipwrecks, air and train disasters, fog, earthquakes, tsunamis, chemicals, contaminated air, famines, epidemics, acts of violent, fanatic hatred, intolerance, terrorism, genocide, persecutions, assassination, animal attacks

Examples of the Sun here include **Marie Antoinette**, 18th-century Queen of France (guillotined during the French Revolution), **Mutsohito Meiji Tenno**, 19th-century Japanese Emperor (9 of his 14 children died young), **Maharaja Ranjit Singh**, "Lion of the Punjab," 18th-19th-century Sikh military leader, **Warren G Harding**, US President (presided over a scandal-ridden administration; died in office), **James K Polk**, 19th-century US President, **William Cullen Bryant**, 18th-century writer, poet, editor and civic leader, **Ignatius Donnelly**, 19th-century politician, Atlantis researcher and author, **Vilhjalmur Stefansson**, Icelandic-Canadian-American anthropologist, ethnologist and arctic explorer, Sir **Christopher Wren**, 17th-18th-century Oxford Professor of Astronomy and architect, **Marsilio Ficino**, 15th-century platonist philosopher, scholar and astrologer, **Nicholas Culpepper**, 17th-century physician, astrologer and herbalist (had nervous breakdown when fiancé killed, died of tuberculosis at 37), **Daniel Boone**, 18th-19th-century frontiersman, pioneer and trailblazer, **George Boole**, logician and mathematician, **Will Rogers**, humorist (died in plane crash at 56), **Art Garfunkel**, singer and songwriter, **Mike Nichols**, actor and director, **James Jones**, **Andre Malraux**, authors, **Nicholas Culpepper**, 17th-century physician, astrologer and herbalist (had nervous breakdown when fiancé killed, died of tuberculosis at 37), **Vivien Leigh** (manic depression, died of tuberculosis), **Charles Bronson** (once worked as coal miner), **Burt Lancaster**, circus acrobat and actor, "a street-wise tough who became an actor, art collector and liberal activist," **Jeremy Brett**, **Martin Balsam**, **Art Carney**, actors, **Alexander Alekhine**, world champion chessmaster (wrote anti-semitic articles), **Keith Emerson**, keyboardist, **Dwarf** (male, no name given), rejected by mother at birth, **Female** (no name given), lost eye in accident

Starset BUNGULA - 26°Sc26' to 29°Sc05'

Mars is aligned with starset Bungula

Action-oriented Mars represents physical energy, vitality, strength, independence, ambition, impulsiveness, self-assertion, anger and aggression. In your horoscope, Mars is the channel through which you receive, experience and express the energies of these stars.

Bungula (also called Toliman, Rigil Kentaurus and Proxima Centauri) is Alpha Centauri, the 3rd brightest star in the sky, and the nearest bright star to our system; in ancient Sumer-Akkad it was *Nergub-Gudelim*, "Left foot of the Centaur;" it is accompanied in these celestial longitudes by **Delta Lupi** and **Phi Lupi** in the body and forepaw of Lupus, the Wolf (or Wild Beast, Victim or Hostage - in ancient texts, Lupus was not wolf but an indeterminate, suffering "beast," impaled on the spear of Centaurus), **Upsilon Librae** in the South Scale of Libra, the Scales (once the South Claw of an extended, huge Scorpion), **Eta Herculis** in the upper right thigh or groin of Hercules, the Strong Man, **47 Serpentis** behind the head of Serpens, the Serpent (serpents have always been associated

with healing and renewal, because they shed their skins and grow new ones), and M13, the **Great Cluster in Hercules**, a globular cluster in the Strong Man's hip or groin

This combination of strongman Hercules, man-beast Centaurus and tropical Scorpio's intense martian-plutonian energies produce daring trailblazers, explorers with a sense of mission and willingness to take great risks. Intense, courageous and passionately emotional, you bring a sense of excitement and adventure to every enterprise. A perfectionist who sets grand goals for your life, setting out to attain them with a fierce, unwavering tenacity, you tend to be either deeply religious or to follow a chosen leader or ideal to the nth degree (most born under these stars are beneficent, but the more extreme among them are obsessive and absolutist with a grim, unconditional determination to bring about their desired ends). A shrewd manipulator, verbally gifted, you are fascinated by, and may become expert in, imagery, propaganda, and "spin." Remarkably observant and perceptive with an eye for telling detail and an ear for dialogue, some of the fields you have the potential to succeed in are playwrighting, filmmaking, poetry, literature, comedy, acting, graphic arts, caricature, cartoons, satire and anything to do with horses. You are a good storyteller and adept at organizing knowledge, thus no matter what profession you find yourself in, you are likely to become a writer as well. Intellectually curious, you are interested in history and prehistory, ancient texts, art (especially primitive art), geography, adventure, space, astronomy and astrology, and are also drawn to science, mathematics, music and the military. Centaurus was related to horses, and this was the area of ancient China's constellations of War Chariot and Mounted Guard, guardians of the Emperor. In symbolism, a Centaur (and the man-bull minotaur, an earlier version of this figure) represents the conflict between man's lower and higher nature, the struggle between primitive untamed passions and humane compassion, love and patience. Aware of the battle between the savage and benign within you, you alternate between feelings of insecurity and a strong sense of your own worth. Libra's scales give you an awareness of injustices and a fierce desire to right wrongs; some born under these stars are deeply religious and sacrificial, willing to dedicate themselves to a selfless mission. Because of your uncompromising nature, there is a danger of fanaticism (centaur - *kentauros* - is derived from a Greek root meaning "to goad"), bitterness, and deep anger at anyone or anything you perceive to be evil or unworthy. Vehement and unwavering, in extreme situations you can be jealous, vicious, spiteful, destructive, selfish, self-righteous, bigoted and rabidly intolerant, making enemies by the truckload. Some here become all-out revolutionaries, believing in violent solutions to problems, willing to eliminate those who disagree and giving their own lives to further their mission, but they are in danger of becoming tools in the employ of despots, and in their fight against what they perceive as evil and/or tyrannous, tend to end up creating a new form of oppression. Beneficence and generosity of spirit versus cruelty and intolerance is the major challenge of your life; the development of self-knowledge is essential. Here Hercules provides strength and courage, while the ever-renewing serpent of deep knowledge offers transformation, healing and renewal to all who seek them. *Possible physical and/or psychological manifestations: accidents, deafness (unwillingness to listen?), violence, diabetes, multiple births; possible danger of persecution, stalking, aggression, murder, acts of rabid intolerance, floods, gas poisoning, accidents and disasters caused by heedlessness and haste, animal encounters*

Examples of Mars here include **Radakrishnan**, author and President of India, 18th-19th-century Field Marshal **Mikhail Kutuzov**, (wounded in head, lost right eye), commander of Russian forces against Napoleon, 1812, **Joseph P Kennedy**, financier, patriarch of a political family, General **John Fremont**, 19th-century American explorer, senator and anti-slavery presidential candidate ("The Pathfinder"), **Jeffrey Amherst**, 18th-century Commander-in-Chief of British forces in North America, early proponent of biological warfare ("Could it not be contrived to send the Small Pox among those disaffected tribes of Indians?"), Major General **William C Gorgas** MD of the Army Medical Corps of the Panama Canal Yellow Fever team (later US Surgeon General), **Carlos Castaneda**, anthropologist, **Karl Ritter**, 18th-19th-century geographer, "founder of the science of modern comparative geography," **Annie Jump Cannon**, astronomer, specialist in stellar spectra (Henry Draper Catalogue), **Lee De Forest**, inventor of radio tube, **IA** (name withheld), archivist and poet who taught himself Norse, Sanskrit (twin), **Victor Borge**, pianist and comedian, **Oliver Hardy**, comedian, **Charlie "Yardbird" Parker**, alto saxophonist, **William Congreve**, 17th-century playwright, **Hedy Lamarr**, extremely litigious actress and inventor (during WWII, with composer George Antheil, she invented a "secret communications system" that manipulated radio frequencies between transmission and reception to develop an unbreakable code so that top-secret messages could not be intercepted, this technology, called spread spectrum, is still in use and takes many forms) **Ed Asner**, actor, **Thalassa Cruso**, archaeologist and authority on plants who created the television show "Making Things Grow" (died of Alzheimer's disease), **Frances Willard**, 19th-century educator, feminist and prohibitionist, **Noah Webster**, 18th-19th-century lexicographer, **H W (Henry Watson) Fowler**, lexicographer and philologist, "a man of moral and intellectual strength whose wit and grace were evident throughout his writings," **Harriet Beecher Stowe**, 19th-century religious abolitionist and author ("Uncle Tom's Cabin"), **Robert Louis Stevenson**, 19th-century author and poet (cheerful and outgoing despite chronic ill health, tuberculosis; died of a cerebral hemorrhage at 44), **William Makepeace Thackeray**, 19th-century authors, **Jose Arguelles**, art historian and new age author (twin) (extensive drug use), **Edvard Munch**, artist ("The Scream"), **Paul J Hill**, former Presbyterian minister, fervent anti-abortionist who stalked, shot and killed an abortion doctor (wanted to be a martyr, refused to appeal death sentence, executed)

Starset YED PRIOR - 29°Sc06' to 1°Sg57'

Venus is aligned with starset Yed Prior

Venus is the planet of love, desire, social impulses, beauty and art; it is affectionate, adaptive, receptive, calming, charming, sensual and seductive. In your horoscope, Venus is the channel through which you receive, experience and express the energies of these stars.

Yed Prior is Delta Ophiuchus in the left hand (gripping Serpens) of Ophiuchus, the Serpent-Bearer, a shamanic figure whom the Greeks associated with Apollo's son, Aesculapius, the great physician (serpents have always been associated with healing and renewal, because they shed their skins and grow new ones); in ancient Euphratean

cuneiform texts, this star was part of an asterism called *Mulu-bat*, "Man of Death." Yed Prior is accompanied in these celestial longitudes by **Dschubba** (also called Isidis), Delta Scorpii in the forehead of Scorpius, the Scorpion. *In July, 2000, Delta Scorpii became a variable star, flaring in a matter of weeks to magnitude 1.9, next dipping back almost to normal, then rebrightening, fluctuating between about magnitude 2.0 and 1.6 ever since, "a long and huge outburst that keeps gaining strength" (the lower the number, the brighter the star; the standard for 1st magnitude is 1.5)* Other stars here include **Kornephoros**, Beta Herculis in the right arm or shoulder of Hercules, the Strong Man, and **Cujam**, Omega Herculis in his club or right arm, **Lambda Librae** in the North Scale of Libra, the Scales (originally the North Claw of a huge, extended Scorpion), and **Gamma Lupi** in the shoulder of Lupus, the Wolf (or Wild Beast, Victim, Hostage; in ancient texts, Lupus was not a wolf but an indeterminate, suffering "beast"). **Dschubba**, with three other stars in the Scorpion's head, was a determinant star of three ancient lunar mansions: in China, they marked *Fang*, Room (or House, Shop), (in extreme antiquity, this was the stomach of the Great Azure Dragon) also called the Celestial Stable and Generator of Horses and the Celestial Barn, a storehouse or granary; another name was Seat of the Empress, ruling the bedrooms of the Empress and Imperial Harem; under these stars altar offerings of bows and arrows were made so that women pregnant by the Emperor might bear warrior sons. In India, the same stars formed the lunar mansion *Anuradha*, 'Additional Radha' or 'After-Radha,' ruled by Mitra, the Aditya of friendship; it stood for purpose and achievement as well as an ally or co-worker; its image was a staff or a row of offerings to the Gods. In Arabia, they were determinants of *al-Iklil al Jabhah*, the Crown of the [Scorpion's] Forehead.

This is an area of night: the Serpent and Scorpion, both denizens of dark, hidden places, and wild beast Lupus dominate these longitudes, barely held in check by struggling shaman Ophiuchus, strongman Hercules and the law's great Scales of Libra (which were once a greater Scorpion's huge claws). There is a direct conflict here between the expansive, ethical, congenial tropical sign of Sagittarius and the dark Scorpion underlying it. Charming and linguistically gifted, you are a powerful, determined, extremely competitive person with the will and imagination to bring your plans into manifestation and to make things happen. Intelligent, experimental, innovative, with leadership skills, organizational ability, a good sense of humor, determination and intense persistence, you also tend to be secretive, shrewd and serious, but at the same time you are drawn to the theatrical, and enjoy showing off, demonstrating your ability. You may have trouble delegating authority, for you prefer working alone behind the scenes, knowing what others don't, employing secret information, exercising personal authority and control. Shaman Ophiuchus gives you the power to summon up other worlds of omens, portents and prophecies; intrigued by magical illusions and visual imagery, you may become adept at fields like film, photography, art, and sleight-of-hand stage magic. With strongman Hercules providing courage, energy and physicality with a daring, all-or-nothing spirit that needs and seeks expression, this is an area of dancers, acrobats and sports champions (a Latin epithet for Hercules was *saltator*, "leaper"); but there is a danger that, lacking a sense of moderation, you may "go for broke," even using underhanded methods, risking your health and/or reputation in your headlong passion to win. Areas of potential success include writing (especially for theatre and film), the

military (if in command, you are likely to employ "lure-and-pounce" ambushes and surprise attacks), theatre (particularly music and dance), law and police (especially detective work), politics, espionage, religion, archaeology (you love to discover long-lost hidden treasures), research, medicine (especially surgery), astrology (i.e. discovering hidden knowledge). The left hand of Ophiuchus, a shamanic healer, makes this an area of progress and innovation in medicine, surgery and public health. There is a very dark side to this sky-scape, and your physical prowess can be used for more sinister ends; although you seem open, optimistic, and friendly, you are nonetheless a very private person, and may have "skeletons in the closet" (or an arsenal!) and you are frequently embroiled in conflict and controversy. In extreme situations, you can be avaricious, critical, argumentative, sarcastic, hypocritical, intolerant, excessively fond of power (a "control freak"). You may feel aggrieved and even paranoid, refusing to take responsibility for your life, blaming others for your problems, all the time working hard to make sure you will be victorious over your enemies. You could be obsessed with sex to an extreme extent, becoming shameless, immoral and dissipated. If you lack a conscience and strong moral compass, you can be selfish, greedy, dishonest, deceptive, conniving, treasonous and treacherous, and, in the worst scenario, with Lupus' wild, animal energies raging underneath the surface, malevolent, brutal, evil-minded, murderous and insane (truly representative of the head and claws of a scorpion and a hand struggling with a serpent!) If you take the high road, there is tremendous power here, and a potential for learning, healing, peacemaking, technical innovations, humanitarianism and major contributions and accomplishments in your chosen field, actually bringing light to darkness. Ethics, morality and temperance are the primary challenges of these stars. Here the left hand of shaman-healer Ophiuchus grasps the Serpent (a symbol of regeneration), offering hope of renewal, healing and reconciliations. *Possible physical and/or psychological manifestations: lung and breathing problems, sports injuries; possible danger from earth upheavals, mass catastrophes, contaminated air, air and surface crashes (especially collisions), disasters caused by weather conditions, accidents, violence, ambush, stalking, terrorism, murder, assassination, animal encounters and attacks, including venomous insect stings (but also, under these stars, are initiatives taken in the name of peace, progress, and a healthy environment)*

Examples of Venus here include St **Thomas à Becket**, 12th-century King Henry II's Chancellor and Archbishop of Canterbury (assassinated by sword blows to the head), **John Dean**, White House counsel under Nixon (jailed in Watergate scandal), Admiral **Richard E Byrd**, adventurer and arctic explorer, **James Brudenell**, Lord Cardigan who led the charge of the Light Brigade in the 19th-century Crimean War ("a quarrelsome martinet"), **Hermann Boerhaave, MD**, 17th-century physician and professor of medicine (Ophiuchus!), **Deepak Chopra, MD**, physician and guru (Ophiuchus!), **Magnus Brostrup Landstad**, 19th-century pastor and poet who published the 1st collection of authentic traditional Norwegian ballads, **Jacques Champollion**, 18th-19th-century archaeologist, librarian and paleographer, **Emanuel Lasker**, chessmaster, **Andreas Feininger**, photographer, **Yousuf Karsh**, portrait photographer, **Charles Schulz**, cartoonist ("Peanuts"), **Jeanne Dixon**, astrologer and psychic, **Reginald A Fessenden**, "Father of Radio Broadcasting:" physicist, chemist and inventor, the 1st to broadcast voice and music over radio, **Oscar Levant**, musician and entertainer, **Moss**

Hart, playwright, **Suzanne Somers**, actress and poet, **Bert Parks**, television personality, **James Phillips** ("The Fox") environmentalist, science teacher and ecological saboteur who harasses polluting corporations, **Carrie Nation**, "formidable" 19th-century temperance advocate, famous for marching into barrooms singing, praying, hurling biblical vituperations and smashing stock and fixtures with a hatchet, **Murray Rose**, 3-gold-medal Olympic swimmer

Starset GRAFFIAS - 1°Sg58' to 6°Sg21'

Mercury is aligned with starset Graffias

Mental, versatile Mercury represents thinking, talking, writing, reasoning, analyzing, delineating and all forms of communication; it especially relates to mental functions and thinking habits. In your horoscope, Mercury is the channel through which you receive, experience and express the energies of these stars.

Graffias (also called Akrab) is Beta1 Scorpii in the head of Scorpius, the Scorpion; it is accompanied in these celestial longitudes by **Iclil**, Pi Scorpii, also in the Scorpion's head, and **Jabbah**, Nu Scorpii, in a leg on the north side of the Scorpion, **Kow** and **Kin**, Omega1 and Omega2 Scorpii, both part of "Jabhat al Akrab," the Scorpion's forehead, **Marfik**, Lambda Ophiuchi in the left elbow of Ophiuchus, the Serpent-Bearer, **Yed Posterior**, Epsilon Ophiuchi in the left hand that grips Serpens, his Serpent (serpents have always been associated with healing and renewal, because they shed their skins and grow new ones), **Sigma Serpentis**, in the coil of Serpens over Ophiuchus' left arm (Ophiuchus is a shamanic figure whom the ancient Greeks associated with Aesculapius, god of medicine - the symbol of the medical profession, a staff with a serpent coiled around it, is called "The Staff of Aesculapius"). Also here are **Chi Lupi** in the head, or eye of Lupus, the Wolf (or Wild Beast, Victim, Hostage - in ancient texts, Lupus was not a wolf but an indeterminate "beast" impaled on the spear of Centaurus and carried toward Ara, the fiery altar), and three black holes, including **Hercules X-1** in the left hip of Hercules, the Strong Man. It was in this region (the Scorpion's head) that a bright nova is said to have appeared in the summer of 134 BCE, inspiring the great astronomer-astrologer Hipparchus to begin his compilation of the earliest known comprehensive catalogue of stars. **Graffias**, **Iclil** and **Jabbah** were determinant stars of India's ancient lunar mansion *Anuradha*, 'Additional Radha' or 'After-Radha,' ruled by Mitra, the Aditya of friendship; it stood for purpose and achievement as well as an ally or co-worker; its image was a staff or a row of offerings to the Gods.

The heads of both Wild Beast and Scorpion, together with the struggling Serpent in Ophiuchus' left hand and three beckoning black holes bring an element of the "twilight zone" into your life, where any and all things are possible. Yearning to visit exotic places and strange landscapes, you would like to be anywhere but here! Clever, shrewd, resourceful, independent, emotionally intense, highly original and ingenious, you have a distinct need to be different, to think for yourself, uncaring or unheeding of what others think. For all your determined pragmatism and devotion to logic, you are nevertheless drawn to mystery, magic, mysticism and the supernatural; anything deep intrigues you: the deep past, deep mysteries, deep earth, deep sources, the ocean deep. You may be

among those who seek and achieve positions of power and influence, but whether high or lowborn, you are likely to become a dissident, swimming against the current, struggling against limitations, becoming a thorn in the sides of complacent powers-that-be, determined to reform and renew. You are not a particularly good listener, for unilateral action is your keystone; if in a controlled environment, like military or church, you do best when given free rein. Torn between religion and science, between philosophy and worldly matters, you don't necessarily follow the customs of your colleagues or of society but rather enjoy shocking and surprising people, going beyond accepted behavior, ignoring convention or rebelling against it, making your own rules (sometimes skirting the edges of propriety, and suffering for it). Besides kings and presidents, these stars produce showmen, magicians, photographers, actors, comedians, playwrights (many brilliant comedy writers have placements here), architects, poets, artists, craftsmen, patrons and lovers of the arts; shaman-healer Ophiuchus and death-dealing-or-healing Serpens bring in those adept at medicine (physicians, surgeons, medical researchers, and investigators of the many and subtle paths to healing), mathematics, astronomy, history, geology, geography, philology. Hercules' influence grants you physical skills with the potential for prowess in physical fitness, martial arts, dance, and exploration. There is some connection with maritime matters (Prince Henry the Navigator, who had Uranus here, and Peter the Great whose Moon was here were both obsessed with ships: Hercules, or *Herakles*, may have derived from Melkarth, a Phoenician sea-god). If you achieve wealth, you will find it a disappointment unless you put it to improving others' lives; if you are (or become) benevolent, you will use your hard-won knowledge to make your philanthropy wise and practical. Some born under these stars are passionately devout, others, determined not to conform, defiantly reject religion. Nervous, restless, brooding, intense, drawn to the dark side and tending to cynicism, they may become rebels and/or victims of rebellion, or become mentally and emotionally unstable. A few may have extreme difficulty controlling their cravings, becoming slaves to their desires: the left hand of Ophiuchus eternally struggles for control of the powerful serpent, else the deepest negative impulses of soul and psyche break free - fiendish malice, mercilessness, malevolence, hypocrisy, jealousy, greed, theft, dishonesty, treason, racism, intolerance, materialism, along with murder, assassination, self-loathing and self-destruction are possible here, along with alcoholism, addiction, sexual scandals, pedophilia and aggression against children. Those who give way in their battles with the black holes of cynicism, negativity and despair, may come to imprisonment, confinement or execution (especially by hanging, beheading, shooting in the head). Those who are principled may be called upon to stand up for what they believe, sometimes even under pain of death. Besides sexuality and ethics, you deal with issues of obedience and loyalty versus rebellion, and fear versus courage. In your search for deep meaning, you may lose your way in a black hole; but even though the dark Scorpion threatens, Ophiuchus' left hand firmly grasps his great Serpent of healing and tropical Sagittarius offers its positive, jovial energy, enabling you to come back to the center, the god within, to hope, health and light. *Possible physical and/or psychological manifestations: head, face and neck ailments and injuries (the head of the Scorpion and the head and neck of the Beast are here), Alzheimer's disease, blindness, deafness, stuttering, anguish, manic-depressive disorder, addiction, illness (especially smallpox), danger of violence; birth anomalies, birth defects, dwarfism, pedophilia; possible danger from fires, storms, air and sea*

catastrophes, crashes, fog (the highest score!) and fog-related disasters, smoke, dust, smog, air contamination and pollution, suffocation; drought, pestilence, plagues, contagions, meteorite falls, crime, theft, fanaticism, murder, terrorist attacks, assassination, execution, animal attacks, accidents (but also, under these stars, are found organized responses to disasters, as well as scientific and technological achievements and revolutions)

Examples of Mercury here include 19th-early 20th-century King **Edward VII** of England, peacekeeper of Europe (died of pneumonia), General **Charles de Gaulle**, Premier of France (1st-century astrologer Manilius wrote that "the Scorpion creates natures ardent for war and active service"), **George Patton**, WWII US General (dyslexic, many head injuries, died at 60 after an automobile accident), Field Marshall **Erwin Rommel**, Nazi general (forced to take poison when implicated in plot to assassinate Hitler - Serpens was associated with poison), **James K Polk**, 19th-century US President, **Juana La Loca** (Joan the Mad), 15th-century Queen of Castile (intensely jealous, became insane, put away), **Marie Antoinette**, 18th-century Queen of France (imprisoned, guillotined in the French Revolution), Gov **Michael Dukakis** of Massachusetts, presidential candidate, **Leon Trotsky**, Russian revolutionary leader (exiled, lived in hiding, assassinated by ax in his head by a Stalinist sent to hunt him down), **Ferdinand de Lesseps**, 19th-century diplomat and promoter of the Suez Canal, **William Cullen Bryant**, 18th-19th-century writer, poet, editor and civic leader, **Terence McKenna**, explorer, shaman, ethno-pharmacologist (died at 54 of brain tumor), **Marsilio Ficino**, 15th-century platonist philosopher, scholar and astrologer, **James Phillips** ("The Fox") environmentalist, science teacher and ecological saboteur who harasses polluting corporations, **Diego Rivera**, Mexican muralist and revolutionary, **Isamu Noguchi**, sculptor and designer, **Ilie Wacs**, fashion designer (holocaust survivor) (stutter), **Clarence Birdseye**, scientist and industrialist who developed techniques for food preservation by freezing (especially fish) and dehydration, manufacturer of infra-red heat lamps, Comte **Claude Louis Berthollet**, 18th-19th-century chemist, **Ada Byron** (Lord Byron's daughter), 19th-century Countess of Lovelace, mathematician who helped Babbage with the 1st mechanical calculator, **Anna Freud**, psychoanalyst, **Aaron Copeland**, composer, **Marian McDowell**, pianist, founder of The McDowell Artists Colony (wife of composer Edward McDowell), **Tommy Dorsey**, bandleader, **Franz Gruber**, 18th-19th-century schoolteacher and organist (composed music for "Silent Night"), **Lou Rawls**, **Abbie Lane**, singers, **Junior Wells**, blues singer and harmonica player, **Jimi Hendrix**, singer and guitarist (addict, died of suffocation from an overdose of sleeping pills), **Gregg Allman**, southern rock and blues musician, singer ("a mournful growl"), keyboardist (drugs, alcohol), **Thomas Chatterton**, 18th-century poet (suicide by arsenic at 17 - Serpens was associated with poison), **Burt Lancaster**, circus acrobat and actor, "a street-wise tough who became an actor, art collector and liberal activist," **Vivien Leigh** (manic depression, died of tuberculosis), **Patti Duke** (manic-depressive), **Martin Balsam**, actors, **Woody Allen**, comedian, writer and filmmaker, **James Agee**, author and film critic, **Franz Brunnov**, 19th-century astronomer, **Dwarf** (male), rejected by mother at birth, **Richard Speck**, rapist and murderer, **Rosa** and **Carmen Taveras**, conjoined twins, joined at pelvis, successfully separated surgically, 1993

Starset WEI - 12°Sg02' to 14°Sg55'

The South Node is aligned with starset Wei

The South Node represents “fated” karmic connections and habits, negative traits that are hard to shed, a “quicksand” area that holds back and weakens the soul. On the positive side, it represents that which the soul has thoroughly learned and practiced (but which now must be set aside and left behind, so that spiritual advancement can occur). In your horoscope, the South Node is the channel through which you receive, experience and express the energies of these stars.

Wei is Epsilon Scorpii in the upper tail of Scorpius, the Scorpion, a star that is accompanied in these celestial longitudes by **Sarin**, Delta Herculis in the left shoulder of Hercules, the Strong Man, **Rho Herculis** in his left thigh, **M10**, a Globular Cluster in the belly of Ophiuchus, the Serpent-Bearer, a shamanic figure whom the Greeks associated with Aesculapius, the Great Physician (M10 should actually be part of Serpens, the Serpent, for this is where the great snake originally wrapped around Ophiuchus) (serpents have always been associated with healing and renewal, because they shed their skins and grow new ones); these are also the longitudes of "**The Great Attractor**," a very massive nearby cluster of galaxies (mostly hidden by dust clouds) at the border of the modern constellations of Norma, the Carpenter's Level and Triangulum Australe, the Southern Triangle, "a gargantuan agglomeration of matter whose existence has been inferred from the motions of thousands of galaxies (including our own) through space, exerting the gravitational muscle of 100,000 Milky Ways; the richest galaxy cluster in the southern sky." **Wei** was a determinant star of the ancient Chinese lunar mansion *Wi* or *Wei*, the Tail (of their huge Azure Dragon). called East Palace of the Imperial Prince (the heir apparent), Celestial Court, Imperial Bedrooms (Wei was The Queen); it was also called The Nine Sons of the Emperor, Celestial Master of the Firmament, The Cutting of Trees, and "that which separates water from wood," such as a dam or a boat; it governed succession and inheritances. **Wei** was also a determinant star of ancient India's lunar mansion *Mula*, the Root, ruled by Nirrti, Goddess of Destruction, personifying evil, corruption and decay; however, she is said to confer magical powers, and to protect those physically or mentally disabled, if they are good and kind; *Mula* symbolizes non-violence, non-injury, and everything bound or rooted, tying-up, capturing, and "that which is one's own"

British Admiral Sir John Fisher, who was born with Jupiter here, famously advised "never apologize, never explain," a directive which well expresses your desire to be an unassailable authority, and to have your opinions respected above all others. Combining tropical Sagittarius' need to be right with the dogged endurance of Hercules, you are likely seek out a field that no-one has studied or explored before, then with a determination to be first, you'll work long and hard to establish an invulnerable level of expertise, accomplishment or influence in that area. With your almost prophetic sense of the future, you may be destined to be forerunner, ahead of your time. Original and charismatic, once you have achieved recognition, you are usually generous and helpful with your knowledge and resources. You are an excellent teacher, but one-on-one, personal relationships are often more difficult and challenging. Authoritarian, absolutist

leadership is your forte; you do best as a dictator or in a lifetime position (whether by nomination or inheritance); elective office limits you, for you are prone to unilateral action, unencumbered by the convictions, opinions or assumptions of others. The Scorpion seem to inspire in you fierce, absolutist convictions and a strong inner sense of your own worth; once you have come to a decision or position about anything, it is very hard to break through your fixed mindset and intense determination; this may result in attacks upon your position or reputation, loss of elective office, and may lead to your membership in, or organization of, cults. A natural tactician, the complexities of strategy, whether military, business, politics or chess, seem to be instinctive in you. You are word person, employing language with eloquence, imagery, imagination and humor (an extraordinary number of great playwrights are born with planets here) and you may be drawn to dance, music, philosophy, science and technology as well. The Great Attractor galaxy cluster brings in an interest in the sky and technology, and Ophiuchus contributes his shamanic concerns of healing and a love of nature. If your natural fanaticism turns to finance, you may have to deal with issues of greed and dishonesty. Other issues include intolerance versus love, war versus peace, and receptivity to the ideas of others versus fanaticism and authoritarianism. The shoulder of strong man Hercules helps to bear burdens, while the "Great Attractor" of the far-southern skies offers a gift of charisma to all born under these stars. *Possible physical and/or psychological manifestations: a high-strung nervous system, eye problems, Alzheimer's disease, pedophilia, danger of addiction; possible danger from poisoning, accidents, murder or assassination, storms, floods, earth upheavals, battles, animal attacks (peace efforts and events also occur under these stars)*

Examples of the SouthNode here include 19th-20th-century **King Chulalongkorn** of Siam (Thailand), reformer and modernizer, **Calvin Coolidge**, US President, **Czarina Alexandra** of Russia, who encouraged her husband in his natural tendency to absolutism (assassinated with her family during Russian Revolution), **Roald Amundsen**, Norwegian explorer-1st to reach the South Pole, **Frank Borman**, astronaut, **Auguste Comte**, 19th-century social philosopher, "initiator of sociology and scientific ethics," **Bertrand Russell**, philosopher, mathematician and anti-war activist ("extraordinarily complex, intensely intellectual yet at the same time passionate to the point of near-madness, an atheist yet fascinated by mysticism"), **Gabriel Garcia Marquez**, author, **Edward Albee**, playwright, **Elia Kazan**, director, **Brooke Shields**, model and actress, **Shirley Booth**, actress, **Suzanne Somers**, actress and poet, **Farinelli** (Carlo Broschi), 18th-century castrato singer (castrati were singers who had been castrated as children to keep their voices soprano), **Evelyn Glennie**, profoundly deaf solo classical percussionist, **James Earl Ray**, assassin of Rev Martin Luther King Jr

Starset ALTAIR - 29° Cp20' to 2° Aq16'

The Midheaven is aligned with starset Altair

The Midheaven is the degree that culminates at the moment of birth; it represents your highest values, fame, reputation, honor (or notoriety) and ability to shine in the world, as well as your soul's life path, or dharma. In your horoscope, the Midheaven is the channel through which you receive, experience and express the energies of these stars.

Altair is Alpha Aquilae in the body of Aquila, the Eagle; it is accompanied in these celestial longitudes by **Alshain**, Beta Aquilae in the Eagle's neck, **Tarazed** (also called Reda), Gamma Aquilae in his back, **Albireo**, Beta Cygni in the head of Cygnus, the Swan, **Sham**, Alpha Sagittae in Sagitta, the Arrow, **Xi Capricorni** in the horn of Capricornus, the Sea-Goat (or Goat-Fish), **Theta Lyrae** at the top of Lyra, the Lyre (anciently, these stars were an eagle or vulture; on some star maps, the two figures are combined), and **Iota Indi** at the right shoulder of the modern figure of Indus, the (American) Indian. **Altair**, **Tarazed** and **Alshain** are determinant stars of India's ancient lunar mansion *Sravana*, the mansion of Vishnu, which has two groups of meanings: "hearing," "the ear," and "the lame" or "the one who limps;" its emblem is 3 footprints side by side; there is an alternate name, symbol and meaning: *Asvattha*, India's sacred pipal tree of immortal life (*Ficus religiosa*) of the kind under which Buddha achieved enlightenment, representing alternative methods of rising from Earth to Heaven; *Sravana* symbolizes hearing, listening, learning, teacher and pupil, oral tradition, and flowing. In ancient China, **Altair** was *Kien-Niu*, the Ox-Driver in the famous Chinese fairy tale of the love between the Ox-Driver and *Tchi-Niu*, the Weaving Girl (Vega at 15 Capricorn). **Xi Capricorni** was a star of ancient China's lunar mansion *Niu*, The Ox, a draft ox representing peasants' beasts of burden which were sacrificially slaughtered in winter when no longer needed for field work; oxen also pulled war chariots and army provision carts; this mansion was also called *T'ien-Tchi-Koan-Liang*, Celestial Barrier, a defense against marauders; **Xi** (with one other star) specifically presided over roadways. In ancient Orphic and Platonic doctrine, the constellation of **Capricornus** (now tropical Aquarius) was the Gate of the Gods "wherein the souls of men, when released from corporeity, ascended to heaven through its stars;" it has also turned out to be a Gate of Angels.

*We hold these truths to be self-evident; that all men
are created equal; that they are endowed by their
creator with certain unalienable rights; that among
these are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness...*

-Thomas Jefferson (Uranus here), Declaration of Independence, 1776 (Pluto here)

Life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness! Here Aquila stands in for North America's great bald eagle, an emblem of your high-flying aspiration and intense desire for freedom, along with a need to be admired, to surpass your roots, colleagues and environs. Intensely ambitious, competitive and doggedly persistent, you have a need to define yourself outside of conventional values of society, and you search for the ideal in every part of your life, for like an eagle you want to fly ever higher, even beyond the Sun, as if to bring earth to heaven and heaven to earth! Able to function in two worlds, physical and metaphysical, your need for independence may make you an itinerant, a wayfaring stranger or (with Lyra), a wandering troubadour who enriches every stop along your way. Both military leaders and pacifists are found here, and the Arrow proffers military genius, strategy (including business, political and financial strategy), an interest in weaponry and flight, and there is something to do here with the sea and ships. The overlay of tropical Aquarius adds technical wizardry, mathematical ability and a gift for invention. You love

the spotlight ("the smell of the greasepaint, the roar of the crowd"), have a strong dramatic sense, and may, like many here, have the ability to find the glory in language, for some born under these stars become actors and dramatists, gracing the theatre and film. You are intrigued by physical movement, both human and animal, and may become a dancer, choreographer, ice skater, sports achiever, artist or photographer. If you are technically and mathematically-minded you may be drawn to the romance of science, the joy of breakthroughs and discoveries, the solving and resolving of eternal mysteries. According to the ancient Liber Hermetis, these stars produce "experts, lovers of the arts, poets, scribes of cities, tutors and mathematicians." However, take care that you do not, like an eagle blinded by the glare of the Sun, ignore the needs of those around you, which could lead to difficulties and disappointments in love and relationships. You are acutely self-protective, and with a need for freedom from conventional social constraints, you could, in extreme cases, be cold, cruel, mean, aggressive, even violent, and your high-flying ambition might manifest as avarice. There may be an obsession with sex; some here may have to struggle to control their sexuality and a tendency to aggression, and there is a danger of scandal, especially sexual scandal (star expert Eric Morse points out that they "can soar to great heights, but if their behavior is inappropriate, they will be shot down"). There are issues of women's rights, workers' rights, sexual harassment, and humanitarianism versus deliberate cruelty, avarice and brutality. Most here are benevolent and beneficent, however, and at their best are teachers, coaches and helping hands, giving a "leg up" to those in need. Here Cygnus, the Swan and the soaring Eagle challenge the heights of heaven, inspiring those below, while stars of Capricornus, the ancient "Gate of the Gods," form a celestial doorway, promising, for those who reach for it, divine guardianship and protection. *Possible physical and/or psychological manifestations: head and eye wounds and/or injuries, lung ailments, alcoholism, nervous breakdowns, neurological afflictions, paralysis, multiple births, birth anomalies; possible danger from storms, high winds, eruptions, epidemics, violence, kidnapping, abduction, animal attacks (especially bears and snakes)*

Examples of the Midheaven here include **William H Harrison**, 19th-century US President, **Gustave Coubert**, 19th-century artist and revolutionary, "one of the fathers of impressionism" (imprisoned 6 months for political activities, fled into exile), **Baba Muktananda**, mystic and guru (struggled with sensuality), **Herman Melville**, author (manic depressive), **Zipporah Dobyns** PhD, astrologer, author and teacher, **Willis E Lamb**, physicist (Nobel laureate), **Verne Grant**, biologist, **Roger Revelle**, oceanographer, **Vivien Leigh** (manic depression, died of tuberculosis), **Wendy Makkena**, **Gary Cooper**, actors, **Marcelyn Louie**, tennis champion, **Wayne Collett**, US Olympic track silver medalist (banned from further competition for life by the International Olympic Committee for "fooling around" on the victory stand during the national anthem), **J L Di Mambro**, financial mastermind, Solar Temple cult co-founder known as "The Dictator" (died in murder-suicide-ritual slaughter of 69 members), **Dionne Quintuplets** (female) (MC at birth of the 1st one), the 1st known birth of all-surviving quintuplets (abused in childhood).

Starset ACHERNAR - 14°Pi17' to 17°Pi25'

The Moon is aligned with starset Achernar

The Moon is sensitive, emotional, nurturing, reactive and instinctual. It represents unconscious attitudes and how one deals with and expresses emotions. In your horoscope, the Moon is the channel through which you receive, experience and express the energies of these stars.

Achernar is Alpha Eridani, a bright star marking the southern end of Eridanus, the River; it is accompanied in these celestial longitudes by **Homam**, Zeta Pegasi in the neck of Pegasus, the Flying Horse, **Psi1 Aquarii** in the upper stream of water flowing from the Urn of Aquarius, the Water-Pourer, **Galaxy NGC 7460 Piscium** in the head of the West Fish of Pisces, the Fishes, and **Ankaa**, Alpha Phoenicis in the head of the modern figure of Phoenix, the Firebird. "Homam" probably derives either from *Sa'd al Human*, Lucky Star of the Hero, or *Al Hammam*, the Whisperer. In very ancient Euphratean cuneiform texts, some stars of **Aquarius**, the Water-Pourer formed a figure called **Gula**, "The Great Doctress," a goddess of medicine.

Achernar, the great 1st-magnitude star in the far southern sky, marks the end of Eridanus, the River flowing into the Universal Sea; it combines its influence with the neck and forelegs of Pegasus and the gush of water from Aquarius' huge Urn, bringing forth pioneering adventurers whose immense curiosity and wanderlust take them on voyages of exploration and discovery, delighting in travel to new places, either physically or in their minds and imaginations. Quietly autocratic and imperious with an innate sense of your own worth and an almost theatrical lust for danger and adventure, you seek a profession that will enable you to be a figurehead, looked up to, admired, unquestionably obeyed. Inquisitive, determined, searching for fundamentals to live by, you may live in a time of transition, of endings and new beginnings; you work at the outer edge of discovery and innovation, always probing, experimenting, testing, pushing the envelope ("they said it couldn't be done"), solving problems and altering mankind's view of the world, for you hope to free humankind from outdated illusions and conventions of thought. Homam and Psi1 Aquarii square the current heliocentric nodes of Venus; here they combine with the sensitivity of tropical Pisces (the sign of Venus' exaltation), granting you an unusual sensitivity to color, light, sound and form, an acute pattern perception, and a love of theatre, drama (especially playwrighting), fashion, art, music and a love of good food. The influence of Pegasus adds psychic ability - horses were associated with clairvoyance, magic, divination, and communication between gods and men (Cayce and Nostradamus are represented here!). Religion (tropical Pisces adds an impulse to self-sacrifice), public office, the military, science (especially math and engineering), medicine, law, education and teaching, sports are some of the other favored fields. Your need for excitement and freedom is intense; there is a danger that repression, selfishness or frustration may twist and undermine you, for these stars bring forth polarities that are either beneficent and compassionate or fanatic, cold, intolerant, even murderous. Your actions and discoveries may put you at odds with your community, leading to painful limitations or humiliations, even physical dangers. Personal strength and body building are important; many here must learn to deal with pain and some work to alleviate the sufferings of others. Literature (especially poetry) draws you (Pegasus was said to have struck the ground with his hooves, bringing forth the Hippocrene Spring of poetic inspiration), but it is not only

the beauty of nature and their native country that inspires you - just as often the grim realism of the streets, the suffering of the poor and helpless and the anguish of war move you to write. A few born under these stars, however, deliberately choose to close themselves off to compassion, arrogantly taking what they need from others and riding roughshod over (or exploiting) any who get in their way. The greatest issue here is that of compassion and kindness versus indifference to suffering; others include aggression versus working for peace, morality and adherence to their religion or philosophy versus opportunistic corruption; honoring the ideas, needs and worth of others versus intellectual arrogance and using, exploiting or refusing to heed others, rights and freedoms versus bondage and tolerance versus prejudice. Here the Phoenix rises renewed, Eridanus' great River of Time and the flow of water from Aquarius' Urn sweep away all past errors and regrets, and high-flying Pegasus soars to heights of inspiration. *Possible physical and/or psychological manifestations: addictions (including sexual addiction), physical afflictions, brain ailments, breathing difficulties, birth anomalies, defects; possible danger from earth and weather disasters, drowning, asphyxiation, acts of violent religious intolerance, murder, massacres, assassination, cannibalism (Aratus called Eridanus "The River of Many Tears" - but also, under these stars, are peace treaties, life-saving mass inoculations, Amerind events and connections, as well as history-and-paradigm-altering people and events)*

Examples of the Moon here include **Georges Clemenceau**, statesman, Premier of France, **Newton N Minow**, lawyer, Public Broadcasting System executive, **Stanton Friedman**, nuclear physicist and UFO advocate, **Doris Chase Doane**, astrologer, **James Hilton**, author, **Edgar Lee Masters**, poet, **Johann W von Goethe**, **Percy Bysshe Shelley** (drowned at 30), 18th-19th-century poets, **Michael Tilson Thomas**, pianist and conductor, **John Denver**, singer and songwriter (died in crash of plane he was piloting), **Paul Cezanne**, artist, **Sri Ramakrishna**, 19th-century universalist, mystic, author and Hindu saint (died at 50 of throat cancer), **Robert De Niro**, actor, **Renee "Zizi" Jeanmaire**, ballerina, **Kimberley Travis**, personal physical trainer, animal rights activist and vegetarian, **Steve Brown**, pilot (died in fall from hang-glider), **Pete "Charlie Hustle" Rose**, baseball player banned for gambling on games

Conclusion



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