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CHANGING ENERGY PATTERNS:

Global Implications of the New Astrology

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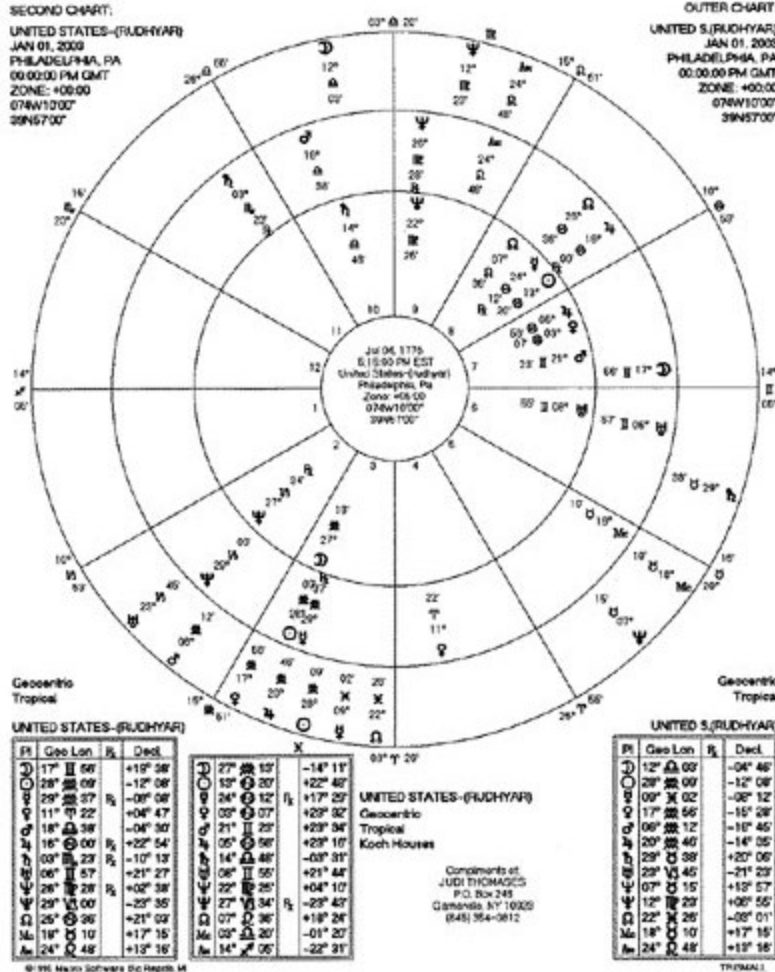
As cold and intense as was 2003's winter (arctic temperatures and immense blizzards burdening large sections of the nation; the center of government – Washington, D.C. – and other centers of commerce along the Northeast Corridor blanketed by snow...what a metaphor!), it was merely reflective of the extreme polarities tearing at us all. The coldness and intensity echoed Saturn's final opposition to Pluto, and in fact dramatized that by having the near-record snowstorm occur in close proximity to Saturn's station on February 22nd, a time of maximum polarity.

It was truly a gloomy period with glum economic news, the Columbia disaster, the Rhode Island nightclub fire, and the threat of war hanging over us. As above, so below. Using the Dane Rudhyar horoscope for the United States, with 14° Sagittarius rising – because Pluto's passage over this point since 9-11 (reflecting the permanent change in our nation's identity since that event) seems to offer proof-positive of its correctness – we see that the Saturn station direct at 22° Gemini on February 22nd fell right on our national Mars/progressed Moon at 19-21° Gemini in the seventh house of open enemies. At the same time Pluto, ruler of our 12th approached its station retrograde at 19° Sagittarius in H1 a month later in late March opposite these two planetary bodies, emphasizing the state of alert against another terrorist attack.



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Delays, endless talking, frustrated desire to act quickly militarily, critical power struggles and behind-the-scenes maneuvering were all evidenced. Meanwhile, the full moon at 27° Leo in our 9th, opposite transiting Uranus and Sun as well as the radical Moon/progressed Sun/progressed Mercury in the humanitarian sign of Aquarius, emphasized the stakes on February 16th as a huge global peace rally was held – on the same day (!) as Mars and Pluto met in a conjunction at 19° Sagittarius. The latter emphasized the growth of hatreds such as anti-Semitism, religious polarization, calls for Jihads, and other war-mongering. Everything hung in stasis while the bigger question loomed – would there be war or a peaceful resolution to global conflict? And even deeper, will there be Armageddon or a true New Millennium?

Pluto is nearing 26° Sagittarius 52, said to be the Galactic center of our Milky Way Galaxy. It will first reach that degree in February 2006 and complete the transit by October 2007. Before it does so, it will oppose the nation's Mars at 21° Gemini and square our Neptune at 22° Virgo (a mutable t-square) in 2004-05, highlighting all our difficult issues associated with foreign energy sources and conflicting religious values. This will be the first time in its history



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that the U.S. will experience this transit. On the other hand, this period will also offer a trine from transiting Pluto to our progressed Ascendant around 27° Leo, a sextile to our natal Moon at 27° Aquarius (both if we use the Rudhyar chart)/progressed Mercury at 27° Aquarius, and a semi-sextile to our natal Pluto at 27° Capricorn. What a combination of energy patterns, dark and light! It looks like this is it, the ultimate choice! All is poised for the determination of humanity's fate...for the answer to how Gaia's latest creation – us, the expression of self-aware consciousness – will handle its task of continuing to be. Are we at the gates of annihilation? Are we repeating the historical lesson of the Roman Empire...or worse, of the outcome of the dinosaurs? Will we be able to move ahead into a new “root race” or must we bring devastation upon ourselves before the solar system can leap forward?

Many such thoughts swirled in my head while listening to the media hype a “High Alert” terror status, as duct tape supplies were bought up, as Bin Laden and South Korea bellowed their messages of ideological differences (holy war: a Sagittarius polarization, or split, along religious beliefs or moral values), and the movie “Dr. Strangelove, or How I Learned to Stop Worrying and Love the [Nuclear] Bomb” played on television!

We are perched on the razor's edge, and spirit is watching our choices with amused detachment. Here is a message from my guides, the Brotherhood of Light Workers, in answer to my query:

JT: Regarding the current world situation and the potential of war against Iraq: almost all “New Agers” are striving for peace at any cost, seeing Bush and his administration as the threat to a harmonious world (despite the terrorist attack mounted against America), whereas many other Americans (some quite intelligent and good-hearted in their own right) see a preemptory strike as the best solution against a brutal tyrant such as Saddam, disarming the threat before it grows unmanageable as with Hitler, and liberating a brutalized people as has been done in Afghanistan against the Taliban.

I see the peace movement as a very good step towards enlightenment in humanity's long brutal history, especially after last century's “hell on earth” of holocausts and world wars. But I also see the need to disempower the bestial expressions of humanity who are nowhere near ready to embrace high-mindedness, using the means available to the race at this point (i.e., force) until a greater enlightenment spreads. Whereas I'm not “for” war, I'm also not for enabling brutal and dangerous tyranny to continue. Just as police must use force against murderers, I feel that the world must contain the power-mad.

What insights can be given regarding the dilemma of this equation?

B.o.L.W.:

We can say this: there are many souls who come forth in each era whose mission is to perpetuate the status quo, to maintain the old ways and to revile any newness that is being broached (put forth) so that the old structures are not too quickly dismantled – a situation that leads inevitably to chaos and non-order. These “old-timers” see change as disruptive and dangerous, not as advantageous or as desirable.

On the other hand, there are in every era those who come forth whose mission is to perpetuate change, to dismantle the old structures, and to thus enforce the new beginnings and new ways that will eventually grow into a new world



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order. It is so for every period of time, and is most evident when there are conflicting demands made upon humans in a rapidly evolving world, and less obvious when things are positioned to remain comfortably static for long eras.

You are now living through such a dynamic and wonderful period, a period that will lead to great changes in the global human condition. And it is through just such predicaments that change will be determined, that a new order will be built upon the debris of the old.

If every person faced his or her own personal dilemmas with as much forethought, every action would be more mindful and less impulsive, less knee-jerk. But this is not how humanity conducts its business. Humanity is prone to react, to act upon emotion rather than logic, to take up swords because a threat is perceived, or because a dishonor has been experienced. Humanity does not usually see itself as attacked and therefore cautiously responding to the next possibility but rather as attacked and therefore as needing to react immediately before the next unexpected act is thrust at them.

The entire arena of warfare comes about because of heavy emotional reaction rather than cautious forethought and careful response. If humanity learned to build upon its caution rather than its emotion, a new era would truly dawn.

Having said all this, it is true that we are at a juncture, facing a crossroads in which we can learn a new responsive methodology, or continue an older, less considered one. Those who are here to continue the old order will invariably choose the old response – emotion and impulsive reaction; and those who are here to represent a new order will choose the newer path: considered response based upon need and truth, rather than jump on emotion. That is part of the Aquarian Age, a sign representative of intellect and detachment rather than of emotion (Pisces). Therefore, we can answer best by stating that action must occur as the result of very considerable caution and forethought, not as based upon retaliatory emotion.

For those who fear the results of inaction, there are still courses of activity that can be taken that will provide sufficient containment of new threats to reward caution and not promulgate vulnerability. Such courses of activity are in motion at this time, such as world pressures, global publicity of heretofore hidden devices or measures, and other types of censure and sanction. For those who deplore the tyrannizing of the weak, there are avenues available to work towards liberation of such people, such as covert anti-government measures that would seek to topple a negative government without harming its innocents. And for those who are still not satisfied that glory is not theirs as yet, there will always be avenues of valor to prove the warrior's quest for greatness in action. It is not necessary to outline such avenues for the vainglorious will find these in their quest.

Meanwhile, the desire for world harmony can be greeted with acceptance and allowed to develop apace. When action is moderated by consideration, a new platform is built upon which possibilities for choice exist. Choice can be two-ways, allowing the protectors to choose between several approaches while allowing the defenders to choose their response as well. It is not impossible that, given various choices leading to various outcomes, even the tyrant will choose an avenue that is less destructive to himself than another, while being less destructive to his nation as well. This is an ideal outcome, for it allows withdrawal under grace instead of under humiliation, and offers a new world



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order in which the brutal can only perpetuate their brutality for a proscribed period before they are “found out” and forced to relinquish their thrones.

On the other hand, the old order may still prevail, in which warfare persists and force is the only means capable of removing the negative ruler from his throne. It is interesting to watch humanity tackle these choices and remain intact and whole, not bringing global ruination unto itself as has been the dangled threat for many a recent decade.

We wait in the wings and watch as all unfolds. (Received on 2/8/03)

What is shown through the lens of our cosmic science?

THE MUTABLES HAVE TAKEN A BEATING!

Here are the patterns to weigh:

- Pluto transiting Sagittarius
- Mars conjuncting Pluto
- Saturn stationing opposite the Mars-Pluto conjunction, and conjunct the U.S. Mars-progressed Moon
- U.S. Natal Neptune square Mars in mutable signs
- Pluto soon to t-square the above
- Uranus from a natal mutable transiting the U.S. Moon
- Eclipses in Sagittarius and Gemini since December 2002

Then:

- Uranus, Saturn, and Jupiter changing signs and forming better aspects to each other and to the U.S. horoscope
- Retrograding Mars emphasizing this
- Neptune entering Aquarius' second decanate, helping the U.S. Saturn

PLUTO THROUGH SAGITTARIUS IN GENERAL:

By August, Pluto, well into the second decanate of Sagittarius, will be beyond the midway point of that sign for good (well, at least in this century), indicating that we've almost completed the work of uncovering abuses in certain systems in order to cleanse and revamp them (always Pluto's job).

For instance, **the legal system:** Many injustices of this system were revealed dramatically as Pluto began its transit of Sagittarius (natural ruler of 9th house matters) during the trial and outcome of the murder case against O. J. Simpson. Profound changes in the jury selection system were instituted as a result. More recently, doctors began work strikes in order to call attention to the need for tort reform regarding exorbitant awards in medical malpractice suits and the attendant prohibitive cost of insurance against such, which has severely affected physicians' business viability.

In another 9th house matter – **religion** – the nasty secret of pedophilia in the priesthood and attendant cover-ups by church officials was uncovered, resulting in a surprising movement by the laity to bring pressure to bear on the hierarchy so as to gain more grassroots control over church spending and thus accountability.



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Regarding **the school system**, changes have been instituted in many schools in response to the Columbine shootings, while the New York City school system, the largest in the country, is being overhauled and restructured; decision-making power has been transferred from local offices and the outmoded, inefficient Board of Education, into a more accountable Department of Education, controlled by the Mayor of NYC and administered by a School Chancellor.

Many changes, some not advantageous to its economic strength, have been occurring in **the publishing industry** (yet another 9th house venue) as control of publication is being wrested from the hands of corporate publishers and returned to individuals, especially via online self-publication and other Internet avenues. This is true for the music publication industry too. Copyright infringement is a very hot issue.

And **the travel industry** has been greatly affected by Pluto's transit, from economic factors such as the cost of air and hotel fares since 9-11, to terrorist concerns in places as diverse as Bali, Israel, or Manhattan, and even to health fears as stomach illnesses run rampant throughout the cruise lines.

Nor does any of the afore-mentioned touch upon the deeper impact of Pluto transiting the sign of **foreign nations and other cultures and ideologies**. In fact, the entire terrorism-war drama hinges upon just such a formula, whether it be Arabs against Jews (the Israeli-Palestinian dance), Arabs against America (the Bin Laden/Saddam struggle), or European allies against America (the shifting alliances within the U.N. and N.A.T.O.)! "Holy" wars are always clashes of moral value systems, and not the oft-given economic rationale.

We can devoutly hope that all these difficulties will be resolved when Pluto leaves Sagittarius in late 2008, but should not be surprised if further manifestations pop up to be unmasked, cleansed and transformed before then.

NEPTUNE

In my opinion, the weakest aspect in the U.S. chart is its natal square between Mars and Neptune in the mutable signs of Gemini and Virgo, 7th to 9th houses, describing our energy dependency upon shaky foreign "allies". Neptune transiting Sagittarius in the late '70s formed a mutable t-square to this natal configuration during the height of the gasoline shortages. Foreign oil is at the root of most of our entanglement with mid-East politics, and has given muscle to governments that are not harmonious with our democratic interests. (This same aspect also governs drugs, drug lords, and drug money permeating our borders.)

The mutable positioning of these planets has caused the spotlight to shine on these all-powerful factors in our national interests, especially as this square is now being triggered by Pluto's transit. Soon, in fact, Pluto will produce an exact mutable t-square to this natal configuration. A forced resolution is demanded in the form of new sources of energy and/or new inventions (e.g., hydrogen-powered cars) that will remove our dependency (at least for now) and shift the balance of power away from the mid-East. (The August-September '03 Mercury retrograde between 26°-12° Virgo in fact foreshadows Pluto's upcoming passage over these later mutable degrees, but then compliments the better economic forecast this Fall, as discussed soon, when it stations direct at 12° Virgo conjunct transiting Jupiter and sextile the U.S. Sun/transiting Saturn.)



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Meanwhile, transiting Neptune has only recently moved past the U.S. South Node/Solar Arc Progressed Mars, and has begun to form a positive trine to our 10th house Saturn.

URANUS

Using the Rudhyar U.S. chart gives the Moon at 27° Aquarius. Obviously, transiting Uranus has been moving back and forth over this degree for some time, causing emotional upset and sudden alerts. (Natal Uranus in this horoscope is found in H6 in the mutable sign of Gemini.) It's a pattern of discomforting tension, sudden surprise, and no stability especially regarding employment (6th house) and monetary partners (Cancer 8th house ruled by the Moon). It is also visible as stock market ups and downs. Uranus leaves Aquarius in March '03, returns again between September through December, and is out of there completely by the first of the new year, 2004.

SATURN

Transiting Saturn leaves Gemini in June, while the final Saturn-Pluto opposition occurred in February '03. (Hard Saturn-Pluto aspects are never easy: World War I occurred under Saturn conjunct Pluto in Cancer, and World War II under Saturn square Pluto from Taurus to Leo.) Economically, Saturn (ruler of the U.S. 2nd house, found in its 10th) opposite Pluto has been quite restrictive, mostly for the generation born with Pluto/Uranus conjunct in mid-Virgo (i.e., the "30-something" dot-com'ers) ever since the opposition has been forming a t-square to this configuration. This generation is learning painful lessons about the lack of plenty that was a fact of life for their Depression-era grandparents.

It has not helped that Solar Arc Progressed Saturn at 29° Taurus is still square our secondary progressed Mercury retrograde, but this pattern is gradually waning, offering hope for improving news.

ECLIPSES:

The eclipse cycle will continue in the mutables until November 23, 2003. The eclipse of May 31st, falling on our Uranus in H6, will bring news about changes in the job market and unemployment figures, a pattern that might be continued after the New Moon of August 27th in square that degree. But after that, this energy falls away from the mutable signs and affects the U.S. horoscope to a lesser degree for a while.

THE CHANGE OF ENERGY: RELIEF FOR THE MUTABLES

Big Picture Astrology requires us to consider all the energies merging into a new holistic palette.

NEXT UP – NEW PATTERNS EMERGE:

Uranus moves into Pisces by March '03, another mutable sign, but it immediately forms a mutual reception with Neptune in Aquarius, and will soon form a trine with Saturn entering Cancer, offering an opportunity for positive changes. Emphasizing water (emotions, sensitivity) and matters relating to 2nd, 3rd, 8th, and 10th houses, this energy pattern suggests a period of much pleasanter economic news.

Meantime, Neptune moves into the 2nd decanate of Aquarius, stationing retrograde in trine to our nation's Saturn at 14° Libra. With Neptune natively positioned in the mutable Virgoan 9th house of foreign affairs, this emerging pattern



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holds the promise of much improved relationships with oil-producing countries, and even betterment in some regard with our “drug wars” efforts. The firming up suggested by the helpful Neptune-Saturn trine would also promise benefits in defending our borders against subversive elements.

HARDSHIP:

Saturn in Cancer will turn the focus onto domestic issues and the needs of the homeland. The cardinals then take over the burden from the mutables. (But cardinals are here to solve problems!) Our borders must be strengthened and protected. The cardinal signs (Cancer, Libra, Capricorn and Aries) must take stock and reevaluate their goals. Families must be protected; partnerships must be reconsidered; business must be steadied and stabilized; and aggression must be tempered.

As Saturn rapidly crosses the U.S. Venus/Jupiter conjunction in late June-mid July this year, we need to tighten belts and buckle down (even so, transiting Venus crossing these points in July will soften the “blow” a bit) in preparation to its transit across our Sun by October, but other indications are mostly favorable by then.

OPPORTUNITY:

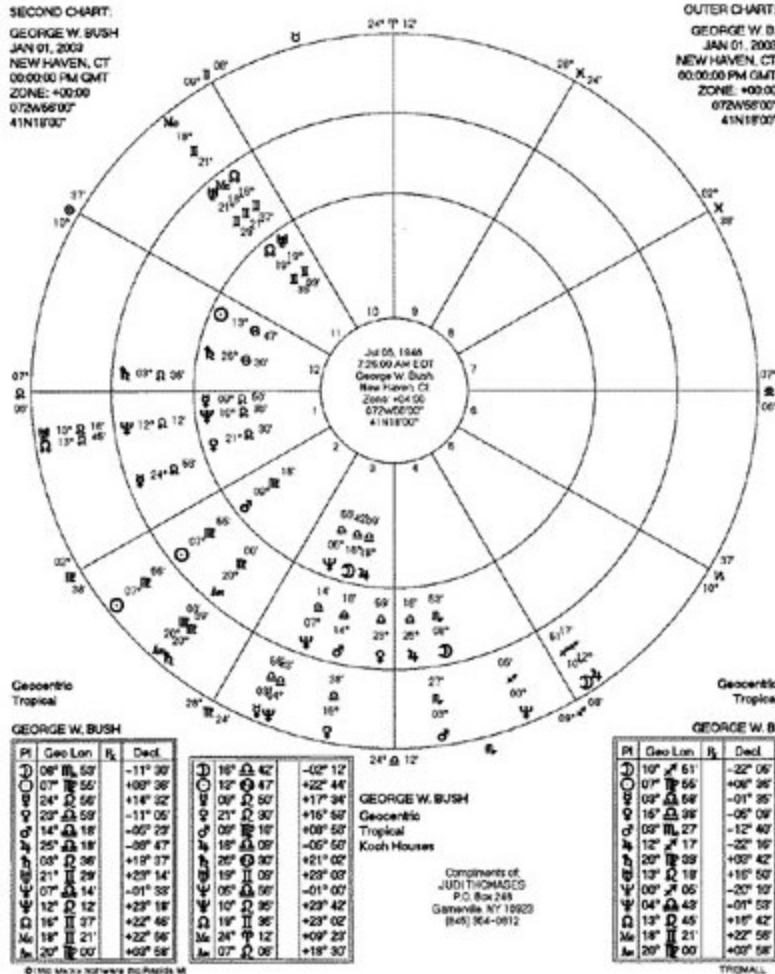
Through Spring 2003, Jupiter again opposes Neptune, a pattern that had previously brought over-optimism (the “dot-com bubble”), so caution must be engaged. However, later in '03, Jupiter will enter Virgo, making a sextile to Saturn now in Cancer and an opposition to Uranus now in Pisces. During this later period Mars retrogrades from 10°-0° Pisces, conjuncting the new Uranus placement and dancing along superlatively with the other two planets, Jupiter and Saturn, in earth and water. Emphasizing U.S. houses 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 6th, 7th, 8th and 9th, this would indicate a better business climate and a livelier atmosphere. (It's certainly a nicer pattern regarding the mutable signs – finally!) In such a configuration, it's easier to create afresh, or to re-create constructs that have been stagnant. Energy that has been stuck will become energy that can flow. Does this indicate a favorable outcome to military action?

U.S. CHART & PRESIDENT GEORGE W. BUSH – WAR?



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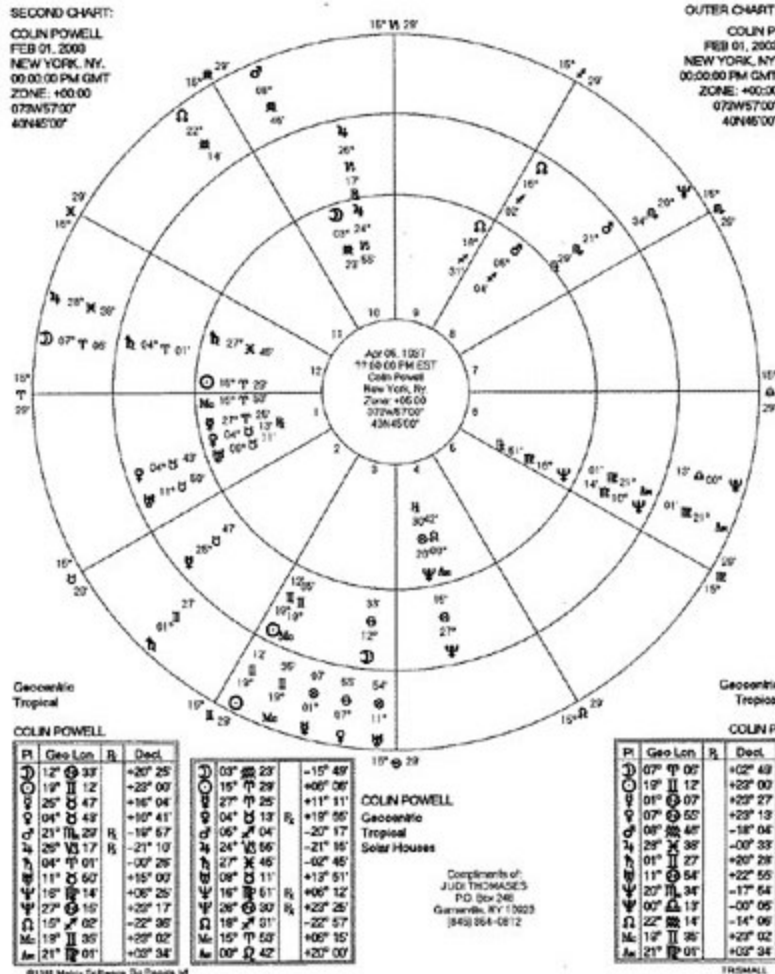


With transiting Saturn stationing direct very close to the nation's Mars at 21° Gemini, and on top of President Bush's progressed Uranus at the same degree, the onset of war was held at bay, no doubt creating great tension and frustration for Bush. Furthermore, transiting Pluto, ruler of his intercepted 4th house, crossing back and forth over his South Node, opposite his Uranus, and conjunct his progressed IC caused upsetting problems on the home front directly related to prior family matters (his father's unfinished Gulf War/Saddam residue). This configuration hints that the hostility directed against Saddam, rightly or wrongly aimed against terrorism, has some measure of family pressure to resolve. (It's extremely interesting – and karmic! – that Secretary of State Colin Powell's Node at 18° Sagittarius is opposite Bush's Node at 19° Gemini, perhaps indicating some cross purposes. Powell is also receiving the powerful Pluto transit to this point in the sign of foreign affairs.)



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March 20th was the exact date of the Pluto station retrograde at 19° Sagittarius. The U.S. progressed Moon conjuncts its natal Mars in early April '03, certainly a time of hostility, perhaps war. At this very time, Bush receives a very fortunate Jupiter station direct right on his 7° Leo Ascendant (which is also the U.S. Node), a supportive aspect for getting what he seeks. Between 2/21/03 and 4/11/03, his progressed Moon squares Pluto indicating power struggles and crises but also the challenge to process his emotions and stand firm once he reaches clarity about his true feelings. Although this is being written early in 2003, and may be published well after the outcome is known, these aspects would suggest the onset of hostilities against Saddam between late March to mid-April. The May 31st eclipse at 9° Gemini falling exactly on President Bush's eleventh house cusp, exactly square his Mars and square his progressed Sun further emphasizes military activity during the Spring. The New Moon at 5° Leo on July 29th, near the degree of the April Jupiter station that was on our national Node occurring on the same day as a fairly rare Mars station retrograde (in the mutables again!) square the U.S. Uranus and square Bush's natal Mars suggests no fast

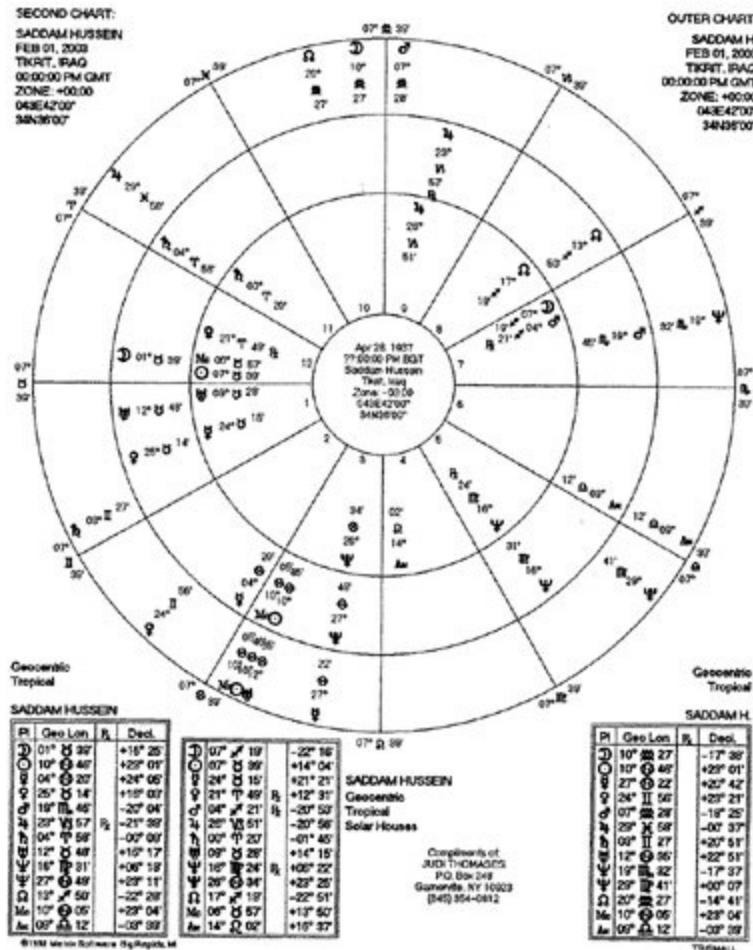


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ending to war efforts plus possible unexpected events (water and air?). But the New Moon of August 31st at 4° Virgo exactly opposite retrograde transiting Mars-Uranus yet sextile both transiting Saturn and transiting Venus-Jupiter suggests a nice economic boost along with the continuing disruption. Will the stock market improve once the uncertainty of war's onset is settled? With Bush's Saturn exactly conjunct Saddam Hussein's Pluto and opposite the latter's Jupiter (restriction), his Ascendant/Mercury/Pluto conjunction square Saddam's Sun/Uranus (tension and power struggles), and his Mars square Saddam's Mars/Moon (antagonism), their synastry would seem to put Bush in the driver's seat, a thorn in Saddam's side. With no certain birth time for Saddam, we cannot give a clear prediction for his ability to remain in power but can see that Saturn's transit into Cancer in early June will square Saddam's natal Saturn, a time of testing. With Saddam's Sun, Uranus and Mercury in Taurus and his Moon-Mars, and Node in Sagittarius, one thing is certain: he's a stubborn gambler!





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Both President Bush and the U.S. are Cancerian entities with Suns exactly conjunct at 13°. Therefore, both will receive Saturn-Sun transits during 2004, showcasing the shift of energy patterns into the cardinal signs. Bush receives his Saturn transit initially squaring his Neptune in H3 at 5° Libra in mid July 2003 (a “reality check”), then stationing exactly on his Sun at 13° Cancer on October 25th 2003 (testing, limitation), and later squaring his lucky Libran Moon at 16° Libra in early July 2004 (sadness). Can he “get his man”? On the October 25th date, the nation receives its Saturn transit in greater measure since it will trigger a natal square between these two planets (great limitation). But with his progressed Sun approaching his natal Mars and his progressed Mars approaching his natal normally peaceable Libran Moon, it would be hard for Bush simply to lay down arms during his remaining time in office. It would be surprising if Saddam were the sole antagonist; there will be other players in this unfolding drama.

SUMMARY:

For personal and karmic reasons, President Bush cannot rest until he completes his pursuit of aggressive means to reach an outcome of peace for his homeland. He has been quoted (after 9-11) to the effect that he sees his mission defined as a presidency devoted to conquering the roots of terrorism at home and abroad, and so he will struggle to meet the challenge of his internal dilemma (Cancer Sun square Libra Moon) with a term in office defined by war (his progressions during a critical Pluto-Saturn passage) and by very varied economic results (the nice Jupiter-Saturn-Uranus mixture, the strengthening Neptune-Saturn combo, and the difficult Saturn-Sun trials).

Meanwhile, the world moves forward into its ultimate crisis, and America as the leader must reflect the greatest wisdom it can muster in the face of such. We have all weathered the worst of the nasty patterns (Mars-Pluto against a Saturn station opposition, and a Pluto station against our native Mars) without horrendous mass destruction, so there’s certainly great hope for the future. Remember, we can always use patterns of energy no matter how dark they appear, in a conscious manner to create more positive avenues for their expression, even if it requires patience during frustration.

WHAT WOULD A CONSCIOUS PERSON DO WITH THESE ASPECTS?

How could we use the same set of patterns if we were truly enlightened, wishing to create as much harmony as possible even from the “dark” combinations?

The first and most difficult configuration to consider is the **Saturn-Pluto opposition**. Saturn, the principle of time and limitation (Lord of Karma), in hard aspect to Pluto, the principle of intense transformation, requires understanding that the limitation must be endured in order to force real psychological rebirth, that curtailment is serving the need to evolve into something stronger yet more positive. A conscious approach to this energy would therefore demand endurance in the face of great testing, and an effort to overcome the severe polarization that one is being thrust into (the Death card of the Tarot).

The second hardest, though far briefer, pattern is the **Mars-Pluto conjunction**. Mars, the principle of aggression (God of War) and Pluto, the depth-charge (God of the Underworld), often serve up rage or violence, leaving its participants feeling out-of-control. But together they are best put to use in marshalling resources, fighting for a principle, and empowering one’s resolve. This pattern can be admirably used to conquer the animal nature (i.e., the Strength card of the Tarot).



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Next, **Saturn conjunct Mars** describes frustrating delay, aggravating limitation on action or aggression, and resentment about it. But a wise approach to such energy would mean patience and tolerance of a slowdown, calm and cautious structuring of a plan of action, and acceptance of the need to moderate harsh emotions rather than chafing at the bit. The phrase “going with the flow” might be the perfect advice (the Hanged Man of the Tarot).

What could be more depressing than having Saturn conjunct Moon, in other words, the principle of limitation sitting on one’s feelings? Feeling alone, unloved, and unsupported for a long stretch of time can’t just be wished away. But the sad emotions can be separated from the thoughts that feed them. Conscious awareness of the cycle of negative thoughts contributing to negative emotions can circumscribe or even alter the seemingly endless test. And seeing the self as drawing in the pure bliss of, and union with, one’s spiritual nature can reconnect one with inner joy regardless of the energy pattern (the Hermit card of the Tarot).

The word “easy” is never going to be applied to a **Pluto-Neptune-Mars square!** Debilitating, enervating, undermining or discouraging, yes! Here, subversion or apathy can be the enemy. Victimized and angry, but lacking a route to positive action, one can end up feeling paralyzed. How should wisdom handle this combination? The way is clear: Pluto is everything hidden, deep and psychological; Neptune’s best expression is its inspiration and spiritual connection; and Mars is the will. Transform anger through the application of higher belief, then implement it into the psyche by rooting out weakening complacency and allowing a deep and mysterious divinity to work its magic through your awakened being, becoming both the healed and the healer (thus applying the alchemy of the Magician card to that of the Devil card). For our national energy dependency problem, with Neptune (God of the Sea) involved, can we talk about water power here, perhaps a source or renewable energy?

Unpredictable and upsetting, a tricky **Uranus-Moon transit** can be very discombobulating. Plans aren’t reliable, emotions are on a roller-coaster, and life doesn’t feel very stable. But succumbing to distressing emotional reaction is exactly what must be overcome. Allowing change even if it produces disturbance, while remaining open-minded to unusual circumstances, would better serve one’s physical system. Adjusting to life’s vicissitudes with alert and adaptable attitude is what this pattern can be all about. To remain centered while the storm rages or while one’s world seems to be toppling requires the utmost inner wisdom and results in mental liberation (the Tower card of the Tarot).

Redirection of negative patterns of energy towards a more harmonious and beneficial usage is the only way to circumvent suffering. It’s exactly what Spirit’s been teaching us to attempt. Pain or consciousness – it’s our choice.

THE B.O.L.W.’S MESSAGE ABOUT CHANGES IN ENERGY PATTERNS

JT: Do you have a message for our nation or our times during this critical period?

B.o.L.W.:

We would like to urge everyone to put aside his or her fears first and foremost; for fear is the one thing that everyone is helpless against. And yet fear is also the thing that is most easily managed since it exists within the mind of man, and not outside of that in some ponderous and power wielding place. Fear is nothing more than man’s method of coping with the unknown that lies ahead in his or her own imagination.



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We are not saying that caution and sensible behavior are not warranted, or that once caught unprepared and vulnerable, you are to ignore warnings and behave as though there exists no further threat. We are, however, saying that you can manage and control the numbing reaction and usurping emotion that occurs when fear overrides other potentialities. You are given many talents and blessings as men and women. You are given imagination to design wonderful realities; you are given reason to devise ways to implement these fanciful ideas. You are given dominion over your thoughts by virtue of self-awareness. And you are given protection by spirit when engaged in the way/path of spirit's creative fruition.

It is the latter that will serve you best in overcoming fear, and that is through the means of understanding the path Spirit wishes to take in its unfolding earth-drama, and then playing your part courageously in it. Some of you have one part to play, others another. If you set aside both fear AND willfulness, you will begin to hear what will best create the future and you will see ever more clearly the part you can play in this creation. We do not demand or require any particular role or course of action from you. It is for you to "know thyself," and determine how best to serve the greater good. And if your inner answer differs from another's, that too is valid and can be a true part of the entire story.

Only if fear is set aside and wisdom lovingly obeyed will there be the serenity of existence that all crave but many reject. It is coming, for you as a whole are being led towards this universal desire (a desire of the universe), and so shall it come to pass. Through whatever detours or obstacles to its realization, this passage will be made and this end-result reached.

Amen. (Received on 2/27/03)

¹ New York City's all-time record snowfall occurred in December 1947, when Saturn and Pluto were conjunct in Leo, and also when Saturn was making a station (in the latter sign).

² Solar Arc Progressions, unlike Secondary Progressions that add a-year-for-a-day to the natal item, add the degrees of arc of the natal to progressed Sun to every other item in the horoscope. Thus, outer planets can become relocated quite a distance from the radical position.

³ Big Picture Astrology is the author's name for a method of compiling all possible aspects (transit and progressed) during a given time-frame, then synthesizing them down into a description of an episode (story line) in a person's (nation's, entity's) "movie." No one lives in a vacuum, nor do we experience events as separate and spasmodic to the course of one's life. Life is a continuous story (process, experience), so aspects must tie into the overriding storyline. It is the astrologer's job to figure out 1) the life's general themes (i.e., the natal agenda), 2) this time-frame's energy pattern (compilation of applicable aspects), and 3) how this "local" pattern connects to the general life pattern.

⁴ A mutual reception occurs when one sign's ruling planet is in another's sign whose ruling planet is vice versa.



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