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2007: A Neptunian Year

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Since June 2006, the North Node of the Moon has been in Pisces. Nodes pass through a sign for 1½ years, so it is a swift influence. This one will not be over until late December 2007. What, you may ask, does that mean? First, the nodes are where an astrologer looks to ascertain your purpose in this lifetime. It describes what your past habitual patterns were and what new experiences you are to address this time around.

Taken a step further, as they traverse each sign in backward order, they show what we, collectively, should be focusing upon. With Pisces, it is compassion. If you just look around you, you'll see people automatically responding to this energy. Witness the charity trusts set up by Gates and Buffett, the adoptions by Angelina Jolie and Madonna, and the ads on TV by WalMart about how much they "give" rather than how low the prices are. We are being called upon to put ourselves in other people's shoes and show caring compassion as a positive Pisces would.

The dispositor of Pisces (meaning the planet that rules it) is Neptune. Therefore, Neptune will play a larger role than usual in this year's events. Most of the year Saturn is still opposing Neptune, as it has for awhile now, and it is probably the most important aspect of the year, as well. One of the key phrases to describe Saturn is "I take _____ seriously." (fill in the blank) We can fill in the blank with all things Neptunian. i.e.: I take "global warming, gas emissions, oil, pollution, spirituality, deception, etc." **seriously.**

A case in point... recently, there was a strong stench in New York that was never identified. Some speculate it is one of the many gas emissions coming from fissures in the earth. This was just on the internet recently:

[Time Star] As of this moment, natural gas leaks are being reported all across the globe. When an earthquake is about to occur, fissures open up in the earth's crust and begin to allow natural gas to pour into the atmosphere. Dead animals is one of the signs scientists look for when trying to ascertain whether an earthquake is about to occur. This fact was shown vividly in the TV movie, "10.5", where the two scientists on the ground were trying to determine the nature of the quakes which were beginning to hit California. As soon as they saw the dead animals strewn on the ground, they saw a bubble occurring in the middle of the river; they immediately sprinted to their helicopter where they started to put on their gas masks. The gas was so deadly and spread so quickly that one of the scientists nearly died

before he could get his mask on.

This natural gas can be very deadly. However, since the gas smell is allowed to escape by shifting rock, it can easily disappear again because the rock has shifted again and has sealed off the hole which was allowing the pocket of natural gas to come out.

Authorities are also very reluctant to admit that the natural gas is coming from fissures in the ground, so they will most likely deny it was natural gas, trying to attribute the gas odor to something else. To admit gas is emitting from the ground raises earthquake questions no public official wants to answer!

Let us review this story now, remembering that the real story lies in the fact that natural gas smell is being reported all over the globe, in the same general time frame. No one news story carries the weight that the sum total of them carry. The sum total of natural gas being reported tells us that a gigantic earth-changing event may be about to occur.

This may explain the unidentified stench in New York recently as well as the sudden deaths of thousands of birds simultaneously—60 in Austin, 2,000 in Boise and thousands in Australia. I believe we have much more to deal with than a war.

The First Convening of Congress Chart

I mentioned last month that we would look at this chart, and I gave a talk about it in Baltimore on January 16th (CD copies available upon request for minimal charge). I was fascinated to discover that the two charts have a lot in common! Just about any significant event in the Sibly chart for July 4, 1776 is also found represented in the First Congress chart of March 4, 1789. However, the current eclipses and transiting Uranus affect the latter chart much more personally than the former. If the First Congress chart is, indeed, more valid, then this next year should be full of surprises—especially in early March, late August and late November when Uranus contacts this chart's Sun, and in fact, stations on it in late November at the same time the progressed Moon is square that position. This is the point holding the previous eclipses, as well.

There are major changes ahead for several reasons. One, the events of the Sixties will re-emerge, since Uranus will be making its first quarter square to Pluto in its long 145 year cycle. (That means that Uranus, being the faster planet, has pulled ahead of its alignment with Pluto during the Sixties and will soon be 90 degrees from Pluto in space.) The Pluto/Uranus conjunction from 1963 to 1969 was the defining aspect for that decade. This cycle varies in length because Pluto has an elliptical orbit and is sometimes much faster in traversing a sign than at other times. But right now it is about 140 to 145 years. When this first quarter begins in late 2010, Pluto will be right on the Descendant of the First Congress chart and Uranus will be square the Ascendant/Descendant axis, making this chart especially sensitive to those energies. (It will affect the Sibly chart's Venus, Jupiter and MC.) When the World Trade center was destroyed, Pluto was right on the Sibly chart's Ascendant. (At that time, it was affecting the Congress' chart's MC and Moon—both charts showed the event.) I don't believe this will be a peaceful time. In fact, the most likely thing to happen is rebellion against control or autocratic authority, just as the riots and demonstrations of the Sixties were a rebellion against the status quo. Interestingly, the people *born* in the Sixties will be getting into power positions, as well, bringing the Sixties

energy with them. They have the Pluto/Uranus conjunction in their *birth charts* and will resonate with rebellion and change.

More About the Bush Chart

Right now progressed Jupiter is about to square natal Saturn. This will be exact in a year or two, but is being felt right now since it is only about 28 minutes from being exact. This is a call to build a new foundation. Perhaps when it is exact, it will indicate his new life out of office. Meanwhile a few things are coming that do not look encouraging. First Solar Arc Mars just finished squaring his Ascendant around the time of the last election. He was annoyed, to put it mildly. Secondly, Solar Arc Ascendant is about to conjoin his natal Neptune around Hallowe'en for the first time. That can be a complete loss of confidence and/or confusion coupled with a temptation to deception. Sometimes it can lead to escapist tendencies or even a breakdown in health—something hard to diagnose, since the Ascendant represents the body.

And back to the main aspect in the heavens this year: Saturn opposing Neptune. They will form this opposition right on his natal Venus (representing his base of operations and career) from early April until mid-July. Then when the above mentioned Ascendant reaches natal Neptune on Hallowe'en, it is accompanied by progressed Moon activating that spot, as well, for a month—well past early December. He feels there isn't much he can do about things toward the end of November. I would say that 2007, in general, marks a time of lost confidence for the president, and that he will not be finding any solutions to problems.

Our Own Spiritual Direction

What does this Neptune/Saturn opposition mean for us individually? Somewhere in our lives we have a blind spot—a place where we might be in denial. We all do. If you know your chart, then on your own you can find which houses hold Capricorn (ruled by Saturn) and Pisces (ruled by Neptune) on the cusps. Also look to see what houses hold the planets Neptune and Saturn in your natal chart. That will also be a clue as to where these will operate. Those will be the areas of life where you have to face reality and give up the illusions you might have held or where things are not clear. For instance, if you have Capricorn on the second house and Pisces on the fourth (a possible combination) then you might have to be more careful where you invest money (second) in a house (fourth). Some illusions or deceptions could be involved in that area. Or you may have costs connected with leakage, which is a Neptunian thing. It can work out to be a positive experience, depending on your consciousness; if you hold a positive conscious outlook, it can be income from a waterfront property! That is just as valid.

Speaking of consciousness, this opposition, in itself, means to be aware of the imagination and what it is doing—to “take it seriously” and discipline it to be constructive and positive for you. This is absolutely a wonderful year to work on

reining in fantasy and making it a tool to better your life. You will be shown where in your life it is needed. There is always guidance when you ask for it. The only thing is if you operate by default and don't work at this (Saturn), the energy will automatically operate as a feeling that spiritual truth is futile and "not working." Since Saturn represents "shrinking and blockage—non-movement," then the spiritual side of things, Neptune, will seem to be blocked and "not working." This is simply a call to take it seriously and work harder on it.

On another level, it is also a time for skepticism—at least a little. The opposition can also be translated as "take illusion seriously." Don't fall for anything that appears too good to be true. Just ask a few questions. Recently, I saw an infomercial that had a reasonable price for a product. I called and asked, "Is that the full price or just the trial price." It was just the trial price. The end price was six times that amount!! That is the second time I discovered this tactic of hiding the full price until you call to order the product. When this aspect is in play, deception is hard to spot and will appear "authoritative" as it is in what our politicians are telling us. It pains me to be suspicious, but I also believe you attract solutions as they are happening if your head is in the right place.

New Book by Carole: ***Star Trek Revealed: The Spiritual Dimension of the Original Series***

The series, *Star Trek*, did more than entertain; it prepared us for our spiritual growth that would unfold in decades to come. Drawing correlations with *A Course in Miracles* and particle physics, this is an analysis of how the series gave us a review of our past, our evolution up to this point, and a preview of our future spiritual path, including the union of science and spirituality. You will not be able to view the series in quite the same way again. Written primarily for the non-astrologer, it has a bonus section about the astrology of *Star Trek*, as well, for those who would like to trace it.

The book is now in the publisher's hands and due to be distributed in late March or early April. Pre-publication orders are now being taken at the discounted price of \$12.95 with free shipping. This price is good until March 30. You can use PayPal on the website or mail to the address below.

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