

# Cosmic Views

## Cancer and Leo Ingresses July 2009

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### **Michael Jackson** By Carole Devine

We don't have an official time of birth for Michael Jackson. There are two times that have been put forth by rectification—one, by the late Zip Dobzyns, who was a master at this art, speculated years ago that the ascendant was late Aquarius, which would make it around 7 p.m. on August 29, 1958 in Gary, IN. The other by Basil Ferrington, speculates 11:53 p.m. That results in 16:49 Gemini rising.

Using Zip's chart and going back to the summer of 1993, when the first of his child molestation charges surfaced, Saturn is crossing back and forth over the ascendant. If we set the ascendant for 26 degrees, then Saturn was going over it from 29 to 23 Aquarius during the summer. In this chart, though, Mercury is located at 25 Leo just under the seventh cusp and rules the intercepted 7<sup>th</sup> house (Koch houses). This was a public embarrassment, and the seventh has quite a lot to do with public perception, fairness, justice and the old standby, "open enemies." Secondary progressed Mars was square natal Pluto within three minutes, although that is in effect in both charts. This is also true (valid in both charts) for solar arc Neptune squaring the Sun and solar arc Jupiter square Pluto. That is a powerful statement about how confused and powerless he must have felt. Jupiter square Pluto, whether in the natal chart or temporary, as this is, indicates an obsession with justice. Transiting Pluto is opposing Mars in both, as well, indicating rage. And in both, solar arc Saturn is squaring the nodes. Is this some unfinished business from a past life, perhaps?

The thing that strikes me about Zip's chart is the position of transiting Saturn. When it goes over the ascendant into the first house, it initiates an "obscure period." That is exactly what happened after this incident. He went into obscurity. Further, the progressed ascendant was changing signs at the end of the summer and going from Aries into Taurus; after that we heard about his money problems. And a progressed angle going into a new sign opens a new chapter in one's life.

Moving Zip's chart to the death event, we have some dramatic indications. First, Neptune and Jupiter are transiting 26 Aquarius, our speculative ascendant, and his death was drug related. With Jupiter it is too much or too much optimism. Both, however, oppose Mercury, and in any timed chart for him, this would still be in effect. There is a yod pattern with solar arcs. Neptune at 22:23 and Pluto at 21:58 are both quincunx Mars. Neptune rules the intercepted first house and Pluto is going through the 8<sup>th</sup>. Quincunxes, to me, represent separation. Further, transiting Pluto is also quincunx progressed Mars, further emphasizing separation from the body—first

house. And the progressed ascendant was just leaving Mars; since the rising degree is speculative, this could be exact.

The most important thing, though, is that there was a huge professional event in the works. He was coming out of obscurity and planning a big comeback. That has to be there, as well. Sure enough, the progressed MC is square Neptune, intercepted ruler of the first house, and the progressed Moon was exactly squaring Jupiter in the 8<sup>th</sup>—great expectations. Further, the MC had just changed signs showing his attitude was different now about his career.

### **Gemini Rising**

Now you'll see how rectification issues can drive you nuts! In Zip's chart Mercury (ruler of Gemini) is on an angle. In this chart, Gemini rises, and both are equally indicative of youth and agility. Back in 1993, solar arc Uranus was opposite this chart's Moon after having squared the ascendant about 8 or 9 months earlier. Emotional upset. In both charts the progressed Moon squared the natal Moon. In this one, though, transiting Pluto is square the MC. That qualifies as a major upset to the career. Solar arc Mercury, ruler of the ascendant is changing signs—a new chapter of the life beginning. However, Saturn is transiting the 10<sup>th</sup> house, which indicates a feeling that the career needs a boost of something fresh and different and may have a set back, but it isn't obscurity. When going over the ascendant, as it was in Zip's chart, there is a tendency to go within oneself and soul search. One retreats to regroup or develop further skills. That is what he did in 1993 after the serious accusations that were thrown at him.

The death event with this (Basil's) chart is also interesting. Transiting Saturn is solidly square the ascendant—fatigue and lack of confidence should have been apparent if this were the right chart. Jupiter and Neptune are opposing Mercury, and since Mercury is the ascendant ruler, it's similar to having them transiting the ascendant. Transiting Saturn in both charts, by the way, is conjoining Chiron, which in turn, opposes the natal Moon. At the time he was first unresponsive, transiting Ascendant (the body), which would be the same for both charts since it was effective in real time, was quincunx (separation) 26 degrees Aquarius which held Neptune (spirit and drugs) and Jupiter (excess). He may have been gone at that time.

And how about that career revival? Solar arc Pluto is trine the MC and progressed Moon is trine progressed Mars. Neither rule the MC, though. And when Saturn is square the Ascendant, there isn't usually much enthusiasm nor as much energy as was displayed the night before he died.

### **The Natal Promise**

In rectification, when in doubt, look at the charts to see which really fits the person. Michael was a big, impulsive spender. In Zip's chart, Mars rules the second and is square Mercury. He was quick and decisive. He liked ornate things for his home(s)—Mercury in Leo which rules the fourth. There is no restraint on spending in this chart. Also he was abused by his father. Mercury, ruler of the fourth (home) is square Mars—violence in the home. Saturn is in the 10<sup>th</sup>—stern Father, and it squares the Moon, a conflict between mother and father.

Bu-u-ut, Basil's chart can be just as compelling. First the father: with Saturn on the seventh cusp, the father is a huge influence, strongly limiting his freedom. The thing that makes me pause is the spending indicators. Cancer rules the second, and although the Moon is in dreamy, unrealistic Pisces, it squares Saturn, which is usually self-limiting. There is nothing of the spendthrift in this chart. Also in this one Mars squares the MC, and personally, I don't recall any news about his being in

altercations in his career all that much. You'd expect to see this kind of thing in someone like John McEnroe's chart.

And, finally, both charts could be wrong. We really don't know unless there is a reliable source. The problem with rectification is that it's just an educated guess. Nevertheless, we have lost an enormously talented young man. Hopefully, he's at peace.

## Senator Al Franken

I just had to look at this chart! He is such an interesting character. Where is the passion? Where is the sharp, disrespectful tongue? Well, no wonder he is passionate. Scorpio rises and Pluto is conjoining the MC in his natal chart. If you ignore the asteroids, his chart is a "locomotive" pattern—hard-driving and relentless. The locomotive is led by Jupiter in Aries in the fifth house! He's an independent loner with a dramatic flair.

Sun in Gemini in close conjunction to Mars is verbally sharp. Add that to the Moon in Sagittarius, and truth (as he sees it) becomes more important than diplomacy. He has Venus conjunct Uranus—very magnetic (Elizabeth Taylor and Michael Jackson are blessed with this, as well), and they are square Jupiter. Humor is shown by Jupiter/Uranus connections, but when in square, the jokes can be awkward and the timing just as funny as the punch line.

The lesson plan this life time is about criticism. He takes perfection very seriously, and is a very harsh critic, as we all know. There isn't much fear here. He's confident and sure of himself.

### November's Election

A year earlier, solar arc Jupiter had entered Gemini and immediately conjoined the Sun/Mars conjunction. That is very high confidence with feed back from others (seventh house) that bolstered his ambitions re career. The Sun rules the MC and Mars, the 6<sup>th</sup> house, which indicates our work and method of service. The problem with Jupiter/Mars connections is lack of forethought and planning. He is about to have his second Saturn return, and the two years before is usually full of discontent and clues about what is not going as planned in our lives. We usually try to make changes at that time.

Mr. Franken was becoming more controlling than he used to be since solar arc Pluto in the months leading up to the election was square natal Venus. Venus in his chart is in the ninth, which we associate with politics, and it rules the seventh, which is the public or "others." Transiting Pluto was opposite solar arc Mercury. Mercury was changing signs going from Gemini into Cancer. The impetus to change his goals in life was compelling at the time.

It would have been hard to predict that it would take many months to settle the election, but progressed Mercury was approaching natal Pluto and is remaining in that configuration for a couple years since it will then go on to conjoin progressed Pluto. Mercury rules the 8<sup>th</sup> house, other people's power and values, and when activating his chart ruler, it spells "Power Struggle." He will find out quite a bit in the next couple years that will make him pause. Gemini, especially when conjunct Mars, is not depth of thought nor necessarily wise and stable. It's a bit wild and opinionated.

### Will He Run Again?

Al Franken is not in a cycle that shows prolonged staying power in his career as it is now. First of all, Saturn is transiting the 11<sup>th</sup> house, and although he'll stick with his goals for the time being, it is heading toward the Ascendant where people retire into themselves and do that soul search mentioned in the article about Michael Jackson. That is roughly in about five years. Also at that time, his progressed Sun is changing signs. The Sun rules his Leo MC, so his career will take another turn then. And at that time, Pluto is transiting opposite his Venus at the same time Uranus is squaring it.

He loses a lot of confidence from February 2012 through the following two years as transiting Neptune squares his Sun and Mars. He'll be very confused and realize that he doesn't have all the answers.

I don't believe he will serve more than one term. His passion is genuine, but the wisdom, cool-headedness and stability of a statesman are just not there. He may learn a lot about himself in the next six years. On the other hand, he may leave the Senate and write a book about his experiences or run for another office other than the Senate. I think a book is more likely.

## **Three Eclipses! Count 'em:Three!!**

We just had the first of three eclipses within 30 days. The first was July 7<sup>th</sup> at 15 Capricorn, a lunar eclipse, which means it's a full Moon on the Ecliptic. If you have anything in your chart around 15 degrees (within five degrees) of a cardinal sign (Aries, Cancer, Libra and Capricorn), this will affect you strongly. People born in early January, April, July or October will be especially affected, since it will aspect their Sun. It affects the USA Sun, of course, so we can expect to see a lot of action in our country over the next year.

The next one is July 22<sup>nd</sup> at 29 Cancer, a solar eclipse or new Moon. People born around 1938 to 1940 are very affected since it will fall on their natal Pluto. Also those born around the 22<sup>nd</sup> of those cardinal months above will find their lives taking a new direction. And if you know your chart, anything in it within five degrees of 29 of a cardinal sign, will feel it. The houses they occupy and rule would point the way to what part of your life is getting attention. This affects the USA Pluto/Mercury opposition.

The third eclipse is on August 5<sup>th</sup> at 13 Aquarius—another full Moon. This time it's the middle of fixed signs (Aquarius, Taurus, Leo and Scorpio) that will feel the attention. Eclipses shine a light for at least six months and sometimes longer, on a part of your chart that is being highlighted for attention during that time. It is not good or bad; just time to pay attention to that part of your life. Every chart is different so it's impossible to be more detailed than that.

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