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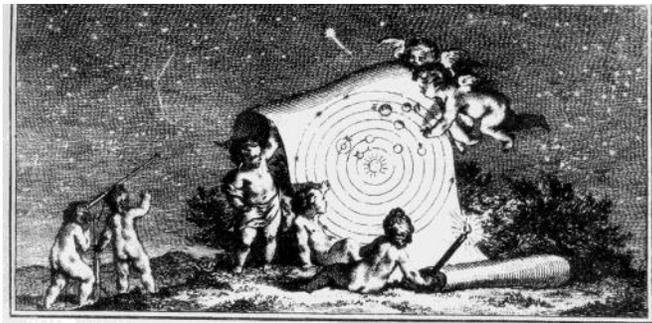
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## The Imperfect Quest: Our Spiritual Legacy

Margaret Dissinger

With this issue, Scenza and I are inviting you to join us as we embark upon a mammoth task to focus on the very foundation of our learning which has been passed down to us through the ages: a very close study of what makes up the basis of Course VII, *Spiritual Astrology*. The plan is to put the constellations associated with the signs and decanates under a microscope in order to learn more about ourselves as human beings and as spiritual



**Deciphering the mysteries of the Night Sky**

beings. As we do so, we would like you to join us by reading the stories in the book. We're starting in this issue with the Chapter 1, "Our Spiritual Legacy" which is simply an introduction. From there we shall address the

constellations and the decanates for each sign, beginning with Aries in the Spring Quarterly. Scenza will be focusing on the mythology, and I will focus on the spiritual im-

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## Spiritual Astrology Introduction

Scenza

For a period of nearly ten years, I have endeavored to peer into the darkness, to illuminate the occult wisdom of the sacred numbers and let-

ters of the Ancient Hebrew alphabet. Having examined each number and letter as carefully as is presently possible, it is now time to turn my attention homeward once more. While the Kabbalis-

tic tradition is rich in wisdom and thoughtfulness, so too does our tradition boast its own profound truths and axioms. It is high time, therefore, to

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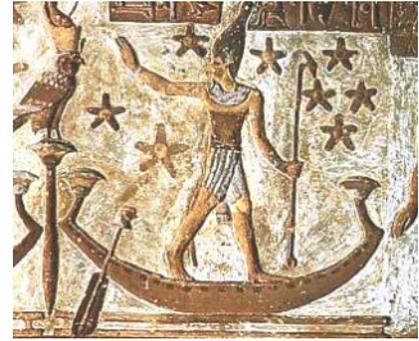
- The Ancients communicate to present-day students in the language of the pictograph.
- The constellations are the most permanent structure in our universe...the perfect vehicle for communicating universal wisdom.
- The stories of spiritual astrology speak to our Souls when we are listening.



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## Editorial: New Beginnings

Vicki Brewer

With the Winter 2019 Quarterly, a new cycle begins. Over the course of several years, we embark upon an exploration of Course 7, *Spiritual Astrology*. Our purpose is to study the great spiritual legacy that has been handed down from antiquity and to discover how it may be relevant to modern-day spiritual seekers.

During this series, Margaret Dissinger focuses on what it means to be human and a spiritual being at the same time. She reminds us that those of us who strive to consciously walk a spiritual path are not alone. The quest for self-awareness is difficult to launch headfirst. There is no step-by-step, one-size-fits-all instruction book to tell us precisely how to proceed, if we're on the right track, or how to recognize when we have arrived. Instead, aided by the rich Spiritual Legacy handed down from ancient times and loving friends we encounter along the way, we look to the stellar stories that have transcended the ages.

With elegance and thoughtful style, Scenza elucidates the signposts the ancient wise ones left to guide us along our spiritual path. Scenza's exploration endeavors to "respect tradition while also seeking to intelligently and responsibly apply the wisdom handed down through that tradition to an ever-changing contemporary landscape."

The great mystic Rumi, reminds us that "We are stars wrapped in skin—the light you are seeking has always been within." To find and share that light, Radine Ramsey is inspired to embark upon on a quest to discover and reveal our modern-day stars. With this edition, she launches a new series featuring the stories of our unique and interesting membership. She begins with one of our all-time favorite people, Lynne Palmer, whose spiritual mission is to help others through astrology.

Finally, our religion teaches that every human being who walks this earth has a reason and purpose for being here. According to Spiritual Astrology, the Sun decanate offers insight into that purpose. It occurs to us that applying the spiritual messages of the decanates to some of the top tier 2020 US presidential candidates might be an interesting test of that theory. Putting each candidate in a spiritual context reminds us that every person deserves to be recognized and respected for their potential as a spiritual being.





## The Imperfect Quest (continued from page 1)

plications. We will both likely be drawing information from other resources, so we will reference what we have used.

We love stories. As human beings we are hard wired for stories. Ancient civilizations taught about their morals and their cultures through their stories. Chapter 1 tells all about this; I hope you read it. Stories hold our attention. Stories teach us, entertain us, amuse us, scare us, and put us in touch with our feelings in a way that is universal to every human on this planet. When we make a new friend, as we connect with others, we share our stories. What makes a book, a film, a work of art, or a song our favorite? It tells a story that touches us in an intimate way.

The knowledge that we have gained through our contact with the Hermetic Brotherhood has come to us through stories, pictures, glyphs, all of which are ancient in origin. Why have we, or better yet, why have you accepted this challenge? It is not for the faint of heart. This involves years of study, memorization, dedication, and challenges that are beyond imagining for each of us. Why? I can only speak for myself, so let me tell you a story.

This system allows me to be an imperfect person who will never be perfect. My chart absolutely shows me where the work is, and how I may proceed. This philosophy tells me that while I will never be in control of myself or any other person or thing, I can progress toward being the best I can be with what I have. I stumble, I fall, I raise my fist and beg for whatever gods may be to give me the

strength and faith to carry on; I ask for inspiration and insight and this system SHOWS ME HOW TO GET THEM BOTH. I study, I learn, and I grow; but I am human, and I am imperfect, and I fail again and again. Each time, though, I learn more from my chart, the stories, the symbols and from YOU. When I apply the knowledge in CS VII to my horoscope: read the stories associated with each planet, luminary, house ruler, etc., by decanate, and talk to others, I get answers. I am inspired, I get insights that can only have come from “over there”. The other piece of stellar magic is that each time I do this, I see, or I understand something I never saw before. These images represent growth and are ever changing. Spiritual Astrology tells us the basic stories, but there are many other volumes that tell the same stories in more detail, and each of these stories has value for our spiritual quest.

What is this quest? Simply, we are here in a physical form living our best lives. Hermetic philosophy, as represented by the 21 courses of the Brotherhood of Light, tells us that our best lives are lived by “Contributing Our Utmost to Universal Welfare.” We must do this through selfless service, which in turn then helps us to add to the construction of our spiritual bodies while we are living in human form. But there is a real twist. In order to do this, we must surrender to something bigger, something more, and something that we may not understand. We must surrender completely and come to the altar ready to serve. The stories give us example after example of how difficult and impossible

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this is. The reward is not in accomplishment; the reward is in the journey. As imperfect beings using the tools, we must serve and contribute. It is each small contribution, each selfless act, that adds to the growth of Universal Welfare.

So join us as we strive to learn more and to share what we have learned. Again, I personally encourage you to reach out to others you know who are studying. Ask for a mentor; be a mentor; learn and interact. We never know how we may impact another.

In my early years with the CoL, I placed identifying book plates in each of the precious black text books Forrest and I purchased, little knowing that these words would come to be the mantra for

my life's work. I thought the author was anonymous, but recently discovered that they are the words of Mohandas Gandhi, who throughout my life has been my brightest light and inspiration. Go figure.

"I shall pass through this world but once. Any good therefore that I can do or any kindness that I can show to any human being, let me do it now. Let me not defer or neglect it for I shall not pass this way again."

So Shall It Be.

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## Spiritual Astrology Introduction (continued from page 1)

return to an investigation and analysis of some of the most meaningful and ponderous expressions of our own tradition, as are clearly evinced in Course 7: *Spiritual Astrology*.

Astrology is a field in flux and controversy. Nowadays, it appears there are as many methods to practice astrology as there are practitioners. Some employ only the inner planets, while others include the outer planets as well. Some elect for an analysis of planets within signs only, while others consider the placement of planets in both signs and houses. Some astrologers opt for a Tropical Zodiac, while others insist that

only the Sidereal Zodiac is legitimate. Regrettably, few scientific studies exist to defend any one particular method of astrological practice over another. We in the *Brotherhood of Light* have our own methods which we swear by, but a Jyotish astrologer would swear equally as fervently that theirs is the correct method. In short, it is often unclear which astrological methods are most effective, and nearly impossible to discover those that are authentically research-based.

Regardless of this controversy, however, there is a point and purpose to Astrolo-

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— Mohandas Gandhi



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gy that no critic can corrupt. There is a meaning and value to its practice that allows it to persist through not only centuries, but millennia. There is an aspect of this ancient art that keeps people coming back, generation after generation, to sip at the astrological fount of wisdom.

Hidden within the confusion and chaos that abounds in contemporary astrological practice are subtle ores of inestimable value. As the ancient alchemist sought to separate the dross from the pure metal, so too can the contemporary astrologer rest easy in the knowledge that hidden behind the veil of multitudinous astrological practices, a great treasure trove of ancient wisdom awaits. The purpose and function of *Course 7: Spiritual Astrology* is to open this treasure chest and share its boundless wealth with all those with the ears to hear its arcane teachings.

Ancient man's conception of the world was as different from our own as day is from night. The Ancient Greeks, for example, reasoned that only that which is unchanging and uncorrupted by physical forces could ever be called "real." As such, they conceived of reality as the spiritual world beyond our own physical condition, the latter being at best a murky reflection of the spiritual Reality, and at worst, a veil meant to beguile and snare us in the world of the senses.

Contrast that with the contemporary scientific definition of "real." To the average contemporary scientist, only that which can be observed with the physical senses is said to be real, while conceptions such as God, Heaven, and Hell are

ridiculed as stories told to children and feeble-minded adults to placate and soothe their existential angst. Verily, the conception of the universe of ancient man is as distinct from our own as the penetrating light of the sun is from the dim, unrecognizable shadows cast by the moon.

Perhaps sensing a rising trend in materialism, or perhaps simply wanting as indelibly as possible to insulate their profound spiritual legacy from the ravages of time and ignorance, ancient philosophers sought out objects and phenomena of permanency to represent their spiritual precepts. The ancient sages looked to the Heavens with their concerns, and found fixed in their gaze their hope and solution.

Of all the objects in the physical universe, stars are among the most permanent. Modern science confirms that even stars have "life cycles", as it were, however, with our own sun projected to endure approximately 10 billion years, we are in no danger of it dying out anytime soon. The ancients embedded their spiritual philosophies in those phenomena that they perceived as being most permanent, sketching their spiritual philosophies into the stars themselves.

The sages of old imagined pictographs in the heavens, and imbued those pictographs with meaning and value. These ancient pictographs, i.e., the constellations, were created according to a scheme as logical and coherent as any mathematic formula. Sitting at the zenith of the sun's annual cycle, as if upon their thrones, sat the king, Sun, and his queen, Moon. These are the signs of Leo and Cancer, respectively. Wanting their

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trusty messenger at the ready, Mercury ruled the next two signs out, Virgo and Gemini, respectively. The maiden of the gods, Venus, ruled the next two signs, Libra and Taurus. Requiring the services of a warrior if their court was to have any hope of survival and self-defense, the next two signs, Scorpio and Aries, were ruled by Mars. Kings and queens require ready and ongoing counsel, and King Sun and Queen Moon relied on sagacious Jupiter to provide it. He rules over

the next two signs, namely Sagittarius and Pisces. Finally, in order to address the material and physical needs of their subjects, the king and queen relied on Saturn, ruler of the final two signs, Capricorn and Aquarius. Hence, those with perception will recognize that zodiacal symbolism is actually constructed as a hierarchy originating at the summer solstice. Additionally, if the reader will reflect upon the order of the celestial bodies so reckoned (that is, Sun, Moon, Mercury, Venus, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn), she will realize that

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Religion Of The Stars Constellation Chart  
Church Of Light - Los Angeles.

A LEGACY of untold value has been left by spiritual and intellectual giants who labored in the dim and misty past. It is the purpose of these lessons to transmit this priceless heritage to the people of the present day, to whom now rightfully it belongs.



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*this is the same order of the inner planets according to their spatial relationships within our solar system.*

While we sensibly render the astrological new year with the coincidence of spring, the season of new life and renewed vitality, the zodiac itself appears to be constructed based on the period of the sun's greatest strength- the king upon his throne, if you will. The sun in his annual route achieves his greatest strength at the Summer Solstice, when the days are longest and the nights shortest. Once this point is past, he fatigues a little each day, until in the darkest ebb of his movements, at the Winter Solstice, his vitality is at an all-time low, and he undergoes a metaphoric death. The days are feebly short, while the cold, harsh winter nights seem to endure forever. Fortunately for us, the sun does not remain in the tomb forever, but is joyously reborn. The manacles of death are cast off, and the sun is born anew, each day increasing in vitality and strength, until such time as the cycle repeats itself. The ancients saw in the cycle of the Sun a metaphor for life itself, whether that observation be limited to the 24-hour day (sunrise, noon, sunset, midnight) or the 365 day year (vernal equinox, summer solstice, autumnal equinox, winter solstice).

The ancient sages, wanting to embed their spiritual teachings and philosophies into the most permanent structures within the visible universe, created the constellations of the zodiac according to the scheme explained above. To further elaborate the values and mean-

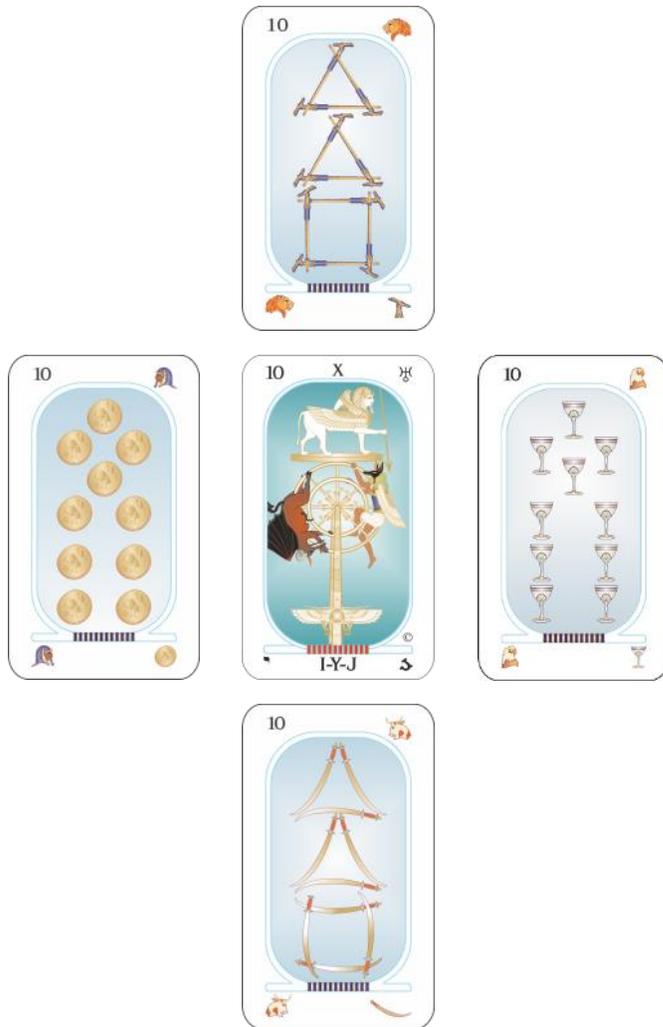
ings of each of these signs, they developed myths to help wise men and lay people alike to more greatly appreciate the universal themes depicted in these timeless tales of the human condition. To add greater detail and clarity to these 12 primary myths, each sign was further subdivided into 3 sections of 10 zodiacal degrees each, termed decanates. And just as a myth was devised to deliver the main symbolism of each of the 12 primary zodiacal constellations, a myth was also generated to explain the spiritual import of each of the 36 decanatal constellations. The function of *Course 7: Spiritual Astrology* is nothing other than to deliver and interpret these 48 sagas of spiritual wisdom. As is befitting of such a vast trove of thoughtfulness and consideration, this reservoir is meant to be dynamic rather than static, to be carefully and thoughtfully considered anew by each rising generation.

It is with great enthusiasm and excitement that I look forward to the honor of taking this journey through the 12 zodiacal and 36 decanatal signs with you. Together, we will explore the stories and mythological intentions of some of the most profoundly thoughtful humans ever to set foot upon our planet. Together, we will endeavor to respect tradition while also seeking to intelligently and responsibly apply the wisdom handed down through that tradition to an ever-changing contemporary landscape.



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# Tarot Correspondence – The Tens



## Divination: The Tens

“The divinatory significance of the Ten of Scepters is an invention or discovery; its inner interpretation is ENTHUSIASM.

The divinatory significance of the Ten of Cups is a decidedly unconventional affectional interest; its inner interpretation is EMOTION.

The divinatory significance of the Ten of Coins is alternate financial loss and gain; its inner interpretation is ASPIRATION.

The divinatory significance of the Ten of Swords is sudden loss of employment; its inner interpretation is PRACTICALITY.”

From The Sacred Tarot by C. C. Zain



*“If we but analyze our dreams we shall find that symbolism is the common language of the unconscious mind. And the successful use of the tarot cards as instruments of divination depends upon their sympathetic response to invisible factors of intelligence that are stimulated into consciousness via the symbolism.”*

C. C. Zain, *The Sacred Tarot*

# Spiritual Astrology Applied

## Delineating the Sun Decanate for Top Polling\* US Presidential Candidates \*New York Times 11/8/19

*For most of the candidates, accurate birth times are not available. Therefore, the scope of this article is limited only to the Sun Decanates. The intent is not a full delineation. Rather, the purpose is to focus a spiritual perspective on the candidates "Individuality" and what might be motivating them. It's important to keep in mind that for each decanate there is a positive and a negative expression of the energy. Zain highlights the side that may provide most insight and benefit to its natives.*

### Donald Trump's Sun is in the 3rd decanate of Gemini

Constellation: Ursa Major, The Big Bear

Aquarius Decanate of Gemini: **Reason**

"When the Giants Made Their Assault on Heaven"

Like the Titans of Greek lore, there may be a tendency to become arrogant with the knowledge of their strength.

The restless activity of the mentality moves in the direction of events and relies chiefly on REASON. With the Ego polarized in this decanate, a person should not only train their mind, which is readily accomplished, they should also cultivate idealism and religion. Otherwise their efforts crystallize, and they become self-centered.

*Spiritual Text: Reason Points the Way to Truth, and Offers a Valuable Means by Which the Accuracy of the Reports of the Psychic Senses Can be Tested.*

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### Joe Biden's Sun is in the 3rd decanate of Scorpio

Constellation: Corona Australis, The Laurel Wreath

Cancer Decanate of Scorpio: **Attainment**

"The Adepts Laurel Crown"

Those born here have intense emotions and vivid ideas. With the Ego polarized in this decanate, effort should be made to develop the spirit of chivalry. When developed, these people sense their value to country and home, and they are capable of lofty effort. But for the greatest success, it seems essential that they have some person of the opposite sex to stimulate their ambitions and ideals, and for whom they strive to make a success of life. Social life, therefore, is always, an important factor contributing to or detracting from their usefulness to society.

*Spiritual Text: Esteem Should Not Be Based on Race, Color, Sex, or Ancestry. Instead It Should Be Based Upon What Has Been Accomplished for the Common Good. The True Monarch is One Who Renders the Greatest Service to Their Fellow Man.*

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C. C. Zain says in Course 10-1, *Delineating the Horoscope*, Chapter 2, "The qualities mapped by the Sun in the birth chart being the most persistent and deep seated, we are quite justified in saying that it represents the INDIVIDUALITY. And as the decanate occupied by the Sun is the region of contact between the ego and the soul it is quite correct to say that the Individuality is polarized in a certain decanate."

## Elizabeth Warren's Sun is in the 1st decanate of Cancer

Constellation: Canis Minor, The Little Dog

Cancer Decanate of Cancer: **Moods**

"The Misfortune of Old Dog Tray"

The story of Old Dog Tray reminds us of the risks of "going along to get along" for the sake of security and a sense of belonging. Cancers are nurturing people, quick to respond to the needs of others. They are deeply motivated to establish a sense of home and security. The spiritual message of this decanate offers a caution about the risk to the natives whose desire to establish a sense of belonging and safety may tempt them to go against their own inner nature or better instincts. It is this self betrayal, or "going against one's Divine nature" that may be considered a sin. Losing faith with oneself leads to a feeling of separation and loss of meaning or purpose.

*Spiritual Text: The Wages of Sin is Death.*

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## Bernie Sander's Sun is in the 2nd decanate of Virgo

Constellation: Hercules,

Capricorn Decanate of Virgo: **Experience**

"The Twelve Labors of Hercules"

One foot crushes the head of the Cyclic Dragon, while his outstretched hand grasps the apples of Hesperides, depicting the tendency of those born under this section of the sky to undertake and accomplish, by unremitting toil, the performance of gigantic tasks. They also have an exceptional variety of experiences, both with the so-called good and the so-called evil. Their lives are filled with events. The assimilative powers of the mind are given a diplomatic trend. Often there is a great desire for worldly fame and honor. The temptations that come to these people are great. But if they guard against the allurements of the flesh that sooner or later come into their lives, they can rise to great heights through their unusual powers of discernment and comparison.

*Spiritual Text: Perform Conscientiously Whatever Work Comes to Thy Hand, and Because of Thy Experience, Greater Things to Perform Will Be Given Thee.*

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## Pete Buttigieg's Sun is in the 3rd decanate of Capricorn

Constellation: Pisces Australis

Virgo Decanate of Capricorn: **Idealism**

"When Venus Met Typhon"

The Southern Fish—PISCES AUSTRALIS—is the constellation picturing the Mercury decanate of Capricorn. It is shown as eagerly drinking the water that flows from the urn of Aquarius. People born under this decanate have natural ability to grasp the ideal and express it in concrete form. Their power of imagination is marked, and is united to the faculty of intensive labor. They can follow clerical lines, but to develop their highest

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*"The laboratory of Nature is always open. Whether it be a problem in Euclid, the law of falling bodies, the influence of the planets on human life, or the survival of the personality in the spheres of the beyond, he who is willing to perform the requisite amount of labor need take no statement of fact on faith. Nor was it the desire of the ancient masters of spiritual science that he should do so."*

— C. C. Zain,

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talents they should be permitted to develop and execute plans of their own. They readily contact the interior planes and draw valuable information from that source, even when unconscious of the origin of their ideas.

*Spiritual Text: From the Inner Planes it is Possible for Humans to Attract Any Information  
Whatsoever They are Capable of Utilizing.*



## Membership Room

### Lynne Palmer Astrologer to the Stars

Radine Ramsey

Lynne Palmer's first exposure to astrology occurred when her mother used to read the daily horoscope to her and her sister when they were young. At that time, Palmer did not have an opinion one way or the other whether or not astrology was an accurate science.

Palmer could have enjoyed a career as a dancer, and she was asked whether or not she ever regretted giving up dance for astrology, and the answer was, "No."

There was a time when Palmer was rather shy. Between dances, Palmer needed to mingle with customers in El Paso, Texas. She needed a topic for conversation, and she had been reading astrology magazines that Carolynne Snowden had laying around the house. Therefore, Palmer decided a good way to start a conversation would be to talk to the customers about their astrological signs. Hearing Palmer speak with patrons of the dance hall, Snowden thought that Palmer must have a great interest in astrology.



Snowden was quite the taskmaster when it came to working out Palmer for dancing. Palmer was rehearsing every day and performing one hour of hand exercises that included proper use of hands while dancing, one hour of splits, back bends and putting her leg to her head, plus one hour of actual dancing that was choreographed.

By the time Palmer finished doing her exhausting dance workout, Snowden (Capricorn Sun and Pisces Rising), told her that she was a lousy dancer and should be an astrologer. Leave it to a

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*The Church of Light has its own cast of Stars. With this edition we embark on exploring their stories.*

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Capricorn to tell you the whole truth without sugar coating the details.

Palmer asked Snowden, "How can I be an astrologer?" (even though she really did not care). Snowden called The Church of Light, asked how much it cost, and drug Lynne to astrology classes. After the first math class, Palmer told Snowden that she was not interested in astrology because it was too complicated. That was a Monday night. Snowden said, "It must be the teacher. We will go Wednesday night to another teacher." After that class, Snowden went to the desk and asked, "What books does she need?"

Palmer whispered into Snowden's ear, "Do not buy me any books because I will not read them." Snowden bought the books. She read them to Lynne and commented, "Oh, this is so interesting." Palmer did not answer. On Friday, Snowden said, "We will go to another class. This class is on interpretation."

Palmer told her that she would go but that it would be the last class she ever attended. Doris Chase Doane was the teacher, and a movie star's chart was on the blackboard. Since Palmer was in show business, the chart for a movie star got her interested. Palmer asked questions during the class.

After class, Doane introduced herself to Palmer. Doane inquired about Palmer's Sun Sign and Ascendant. Palmer was only able to provide her Sun Sign. Palmer did have her birth time, and Doane took an ephemeris and mentally calculated her planets. Doane said, "You are

going to be a famous astrologer."

Palmer told her that it would be impossible for her to become a famous astrologer because she could not do the math. Doane said that she would teach her and proceeded to teach her over the phone. Palmer found that she could study astrology for eight hours a day while she did not like to rehearse dancing for even one hour. This initial conversation with Doane took place in May. By August, Doane informed Palmer that she had made new class schedules and had put her down as a teacher. Palmer was shocked and said, "I can't teach astrology! What do you have me teaching?" Doane responded, "Beginner's Math Class." Doane insisted that she would learn while she teaches. That was how Palmer got pushed into learning astrology. Now she pushes her clients to get with it.

One of the reasons for Palmer's success as an astrologer has been that she keeps her prices low. She bought the largest ad in the Yellow Pages and offered two years for the price of one year. While other astrologers were charging more, she was making more.

Another secret to her success is that she is there for her clients. People want answers right away. They do not want to wait weeks to get their charts done. When she lived in New York City, she worked 18 hours a day for many years. Palmer was not all work and no play. If she spent time socializing, she would make up for it by coming home and working.

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*"We are stars wrapped in  
skin - The light you are  
seeking has always been  
within."*

— Rumi



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She also knew that if she got publicity that it would sell books and help to promote astrology. Palmer appeared on *The Tonight Show* with Johnny Carson. Carson did not want her to appear on the show, but Palmer was dating the CEO of the William Morris Talent Agency. Her boyfriend mentioned that William Morris would no longer represent Carson if he refused. Carson decided it would be in his best interest to allow her on *The Tonight Show*.

Palmer was not nervous during her *Tonight Show* appearance. She said that it felt like being in someone's home and talking to them. Palmer commented that she was more nervous giving a lecture than being on *The Tonight Show*.

Although Carson did not want her on the show, he was very polite to her. Carson told her not to say anything too comical. He advised that he would do the comedy. Carson said, "You're the best looking astrologer I have ever seen." Afterwards, they became friends.

When the astrologer Sydney Omar was on the show, Palmer was backstage, and Johnny ran all the way down the hallway and said, "Where are you going Lynne Palmer?" She replied that she was going to her seat. Carson got her better seats and told her that she would be sitting in the green room with Sydney Omar.

Over the years, Palmer had quite a few celebrities as clients. Two of her favorites were Mickey Rooney and Ruth Brown, the legendary singer who is in the R and B Hall of Fame. She did their charts almost daily. Ruth Brown listened

to her, and Mickey Rooney did not take her advice all the time.

Even though she is the author of many books, made an appearance on *The Tonight Show*, and enjoyed a 62-year-long career as an astrologer, it was not till 2018 that she considered herself a celebrity.

On her [lynnepalmer.com](http://lynnepalmer.com) website she states, "I have been an astrologer since 1957 and have done the horoscopes of many celebrities. In all of those years, I never thought of myself as a celebrity but, after two Gary Williams books, I started thinking about the past activities that may have led me to be called a celebrity such as: walking the Red Carpet, the television shows, the books of other authors that I am in (notably Helen Hayes and Anita Loos book, "Twice Over Lightly," and "Miss Rhythm: The Autobiography of Ruth Brown, Rhythm and Blues Legend." Also "The Life of Jacquelyn Susann by Barbara Seaman (with photo of me with Joe E. Lewis and the forecast by me of Jacquelyn Susann's horoscope)."

When Lynne Palmer met Doris Chase Doane, the event was historic because it was the meeting of two astrological giants. These two ladies are responsible for writing more than 20 books.

The books written by Lynne Palmer that the Church of Light has in stock include: *Astrological Compatibility*, *Astro-Guide to Nutrition and Vitamins*, *Illness: Planetary Rulerships and Medical Astrology*, *Money Magic*, and *ABC Basic Chart Reading*.

Books authored by Doris Chase Doane

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*There is a light seed grain  
inside. You fill it with yourself,  
or it dies.  
—Rumi*

that the Church of Light sells include: *Blending Astrology, Numerology and Tarot*, *Secret Symbolism of the Tarot*, *Astrology of Childbirth*, *How Body Language Defines Character*, *Astrology: 30 Years Research*, *Positive Benefits of Astrology*, and *Vocational Selection and Counseling Volumes 1 and 2*.



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## Contribute Your Utmost to Universal Welfare

### Mentorship Program

We need Mentors!

The best way to learn a subject is to teach it or, in some manner, facilitate someone else's learning of the subject. In this spirit, Mentors are Church of Light members who are willing to spend some time helping other members study and learn the Brotherhood of Light material. Mentors are not experts. They may or may not be great teachers when they begin. They are learning themselves and have chosen Mentoring as a way to Contribute to Universal Welfare. They do this by sharing ideas, thoughts, suggestions, and by lending encouragement to Students and New Members. The mentor's primary job is to answer questions as best they can, offer encouragement, and/or refer student to a source where questions can be answered.



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*"The delicate balance of mentoring someone is not creating them in your own image, but giving them the opportunity to create themselves."*  
– Steven Spielberg

## Mentoring?

We do it naturally... Maybe you would enjoy rediscovering this connection!

Go to the [light.org](http://light.org) website and log onto the Student Page.

Click on the [Mentor Request application](#) if you want a Mentor.

Click on the [Application to become a Mentor](#) if you want to be a Mentor.

# Welcome and Congratulations!

## New Hermeticsians

Alisha Watson  
Kenneth Cook

## Certified Teacher

Patricia Elliot-LaRode



# Thank you to our Volunteers!

"Alone we can do so little;  
together we can do so much."

*Helen Keller*

You are our miracle.

Like the story of the five loaves and two fishes from the Gospel of John...you take your time and spend it generously to feed the rest of us with spiritual manna.

Vanessa Brown – Worksheets on the light.org Student Page

Shawn Bailor – Online Curriculum Development

Aaron Doyle – Online Curriculum Development

Phil Chrisman – light.org development, maintenance and overall programming hero. And, oh yes, Online Curriculum support.

These are just a few of the many who help us do so much!  
Stay turned for others.

## A life well lived...

Dear CofL friends,

It is with both sadness and jubilation that I inform you my mother, Hermetician Martha Mayne of St. Louis, has joined the masters on the other side. Patricia Beard and I were with Martha when she departed from her physical body on October 16, 2019.



**Martha (on the left) with her dear friend Pat Beard**

Martha was an accomplished astrologer, scholar, teacher, and mystic. While we miss her company here in the material world, we already feel her presence from beyond and know she will continue to guide us from where she is (when she is not busy adventuring).

Peace, Life, Light, and Love to all,

Jimmy McDonnell

*"For it is in giving that we receive."*

*St. Francis of Assisi*

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## Brotherhood of Light lessons for generations to come....



As a religious non-profit, our continued existence is reliant upon financial gifts.

Please support future generations of Stellarians by considering us as a beneficiary when preparing your will or trust.

The Church of Light Federal Employer Identification Number:

## Heads UP!

### We're having an Auction!

You see the tell-tale signs that printers and computers are reaching end-of-life, but like most nonprofits you are never really prepared for the moment they say “No More—I’m done!”

This year two of the old computers reached the point that our IT manager has threatened to disown us. The computers are no longer supported and, more importantly, they are presenting security risks as well as other problems of age.

This Summer when we went to print the Quarterly we discovered that our donated workhorse printer is so old that we can no longer get parts.

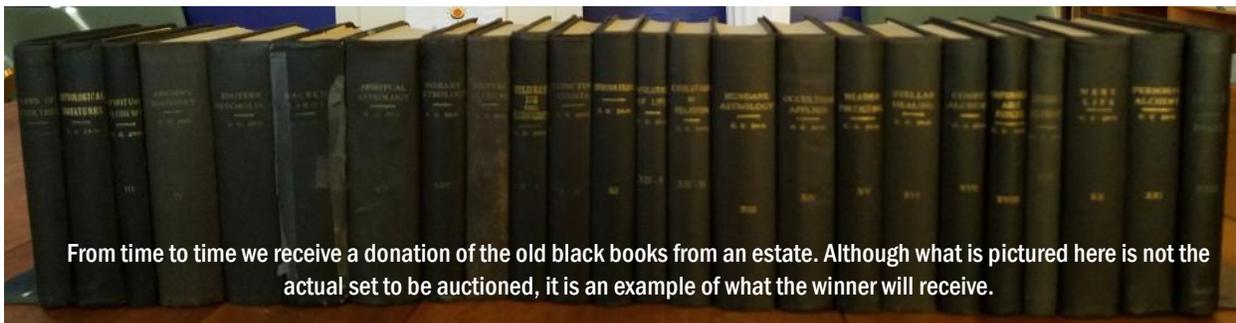
In November, the final straw was to hear from our IT manager that security issues have become critical enough that his willingness to assume liability for CofL security is requiring him to expand the measures being used to protect us. Consequently, our monthly expense will go from \$572 dollars per month to \$1000 in January. Big pill for us to swallow!

### The Good News Is

To raise funds to help us meet these financial needs, we're going to auction a complete set of the original black books and YOU will have an opportunity to own it!

**Be on the Look-Out during  
the 1st Quarter of 2020 for details.**

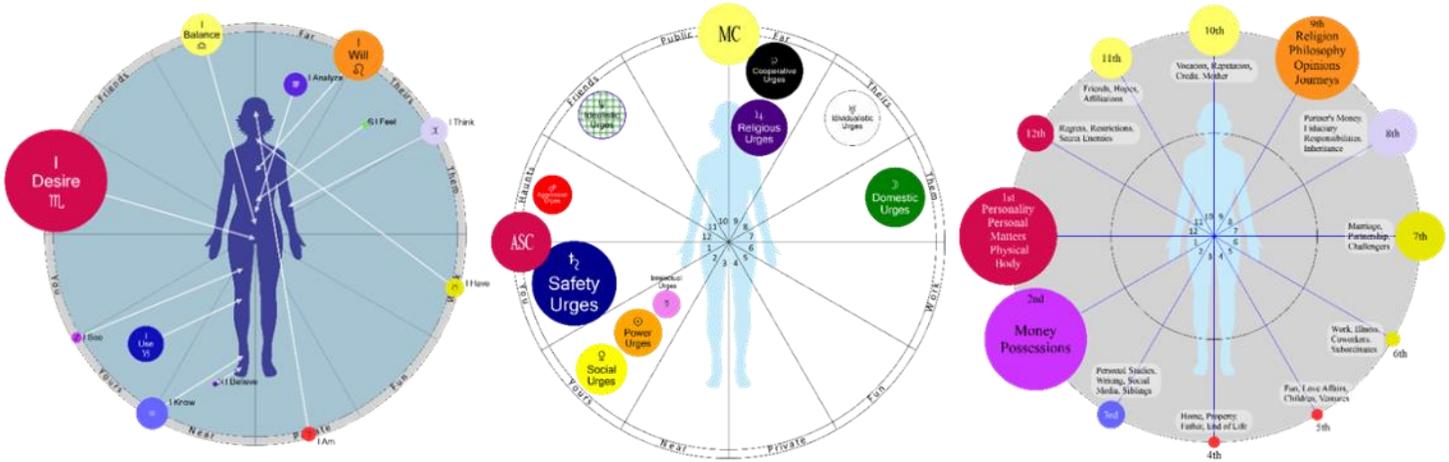
*“No thief, however skillful,  
can rob one of knowledge,  
and that is why knowledge  
is the best and safest  
treasure to acquire.”*  
— L. Frank Baum, *The  
Lost Princess of Oz*



From time to time we receive a donation of the old black books from an estate. Although what is pictured here is not the actual set to be auctioned, it is an example of what the winner will receive.

# Horoscope 2020 is finally here!

The all-new Horoscope 2020 Astrology Software for Windows is now available. The software has lots of new features, too numerous to list here, so please go to [www.light.org](http://www.light.org) and click on the "Astrology Software" link in the left-hand navigation panel. This webpage will also have link to a new video tutorial that demonstrates all the new features.



Some of the new features include:

- In-depth **Chart Analysis Report** with ten sections plus an appendix covering all aspects of chart delineation including interactive diagrams of energy distribution in the chart for planets, signs and houses shown below.
- **Synastry Chart Comparison** tools.
- Easily create solar, lunar, soli-lunar, Jupiter and Saturn **transit return charts**.
- **Applying aspects** can now be highlighted for ease of use in natal and horary charts.
- New Chart Progression features including (1) a **slider bar** that progresses the chart in real-time as you drag the slider and (2) and "View" checkboxes to make it easier to select which progressions and/or transits to view.
- New features to facilitate **Electional Charts** for finding the best time to do something, including a **new slider bar** in the Chart Settings dialog and a **View menu option for tiling the chart wheel, astrodyne table and aspect grid on your screen** so that you can see the changes to astrodynes and aspects in real-time as you drag the slider bar when creating a new chart
- In addition to the capability to copy various chart elements (chart wheel, declinations, astrodyne table, aspect grid, astrodyne summary and progressed astrodyne summary) to the clipboard, now you can generate **PNG or JPEG image files** for these chart elements.
- New chart printout and progression report features.
- You can now select the **Porphyry house system** in addition to Placidus.
- Option to use the **Bija (Q1) progression rate** for Major/secondary progressions which uses one sidereal day of ephemeris time per calendar year of life vs the standard one mean solar day per year.

Go to <https://www.light.org/about-horoscope-software.cfm> for greater detail.

ORDER ONLINE at <https://www.light.org/astrology-software-C2.cfm> .



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## The Church of Light Vision For the 21st Century

### **OUR MISSION:**

To promote Universal Welfare and the exaltation of humankind through the teaching and practices of the Religion of the Stars as outlined in the writings of C.C. Zain.

### **GUIDING PRINCIPLES:**

A loving Cosmic Intelligence, of which we are all a part, whose infinite goodness guides us through undeviating natural law.

A Divine Plan manifests through progressive evolution in which each soul has a unique and important role.

A soul is completely moral when to the maximum extent of its abilities it adheres to the universal moral code: Contribute Your Utmost to Universal Welfare.

The realization of the soul's Mission and the attainment of Self-Conscious Immortality is the goal toward which each soul moves.

Love is the way to life. Unselfish Love alone makes immortality possible.

Through the proper exercise of one's mentality using Directed Thinking and Induced Emotion, it is possible to control one's own life and destiny, both here and hereafter.

Astrology is the Golden Key that unlocks the door to understanding the Soul's true character and potential.

The safe development of extrasensory perception (Extension of Consciousness) is the best tool for realizing each individual's mission in the Divine Plan and for verifying the survival of the soul after death of the physical body.

Religion is the sister of Science, and it evolves by incorporating new information as it is discovered and verified.

### **OUR VISION FOR THE 21ST CENTURY:**

We are a powerful force for good and for spiritual enlightenment and expand the reach and experience of our members because:

We provide reliable and verifiable information regarding the nature of the soul and its relationship to Deity and other life forms;

We seek out reliable and verifiable information regarding life on higher planes of existence, especially in regard to the transition we call death and the nature of the next life;

We develop increasingly advanced tools and training in astrology, extrasensory perception, directed thinking and induced emotion toward the end of maximizing each person's happiness, usefulness and spirituality;

We promote the importance of the four essential freedoms: Freedom from Want, Freedom from Fear, Freedom of Expression and Freedom of Religion;

We build a sense of community and spiritual purpose which uplifts and inspires our members to Contribute Their Utmost To Universal Welfare.