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The Sacred Hebrew Alphabet: Ayin—Believing is Seeing

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The sixteenth letter of the Hebrew Alefbayt (AB) is the letter Ayin. Ayin is one of only two silent letters in the entire AB, the other being the mother letter, Aleph. Recall that Aleph as the first letter represents the ineffable nature of God. Just as the letter Aleph can never truly be pronounced, the nature of God can never fully be understood. Likewise, Ayin has to do with

ideas and concepts that relate to the inner rather than outer plane. It is closely tied to spirituality, and expresses itself clearly in our mentality.

The word "Ayin" means "eye" in Hebrew, and the connection to our most dominant sense is apt. Rather than addressing sight on the outer plane, however, the letter Ayin is an admonition to practice right sight on the inner plane, what we

might term perception. There is an old saying that "perception is reality", and while there are of course limitations to this statement, it is still a valuable axiom. As sentient beings, we express some level of control over our environment, but we must also acknowledge that there are many aspects of our lives over which we ex-

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The Sesquisquare: Tumultuous Times

Margaret Dissinger

This article started over a month ago when I simply Googled the word sesquisquare. Who knew what a wealth of information is on file for this troublesome little gem? Perhaps the rest of the astrological world is just as puzzled as I am about how the sesquisquare/sesqui-quadrate actually manifests. It is a slippery slope beginning with a state of anxiety or nervous excitement, the action of stirring or disturbing something like "the pot" or "the crowd," and culminating with a clinical condition of psychological and physical restlessness. It can lead to severe mental illness. No wonder this one begs attention!

Zain tells us in Course II that this aspect has an influence comparable to Uranus, "...being sharply disruptive, sudden, and somewhat discordant...the aspect of AGITATION" (95-96). He elaborates as Elbert Benjamine in The Beginner's Horoscope Maker and Reader, by informing us that "...the thought-cells thus mapped have been built by experiences characteristic of the two planets involved in which some of the time they entered consciousness together pleasantly and at other times they entered consciousness with intense feelings of displeasure" (127). This defi-

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Editorial

Christopher Gibson

"Agitate! Agitate! Ought to be the motto of every reformer. Agitation is the opposite of stagnation - the one is life, the other death." – Ernestine Rose

gitation derives from the Latin *agitatus*, which means to drive or set in motion. Agitation can be the act of moving, stirring or shaking something vigorously. Agitation implies a state of perturbation, unrest or disquiet.

Political activists agitate for social reform through speeches and demonstrations that stir up the masses. Siblings sometimes agitate one another to try and vex them into a reaction. Top-loading washing machines have an agitation cycle that shakes the washing drum in such a fashion that it helps loosen up soiled fabric. In each of these examples is a state of activity that is a force for change.

In astrology, agitation describes the energy expressed by any two planets (Midheaven and Ascendant included) that are found in angles that are 135 degrees (four and one-half signs) apart. This planetary dynamic expresses similarly to the influences of the planet Uranus, who operates as an agent for change and likes to stir things up. This aspect is known as the sesquisquare and is featured in this issue of the Church of Light Quarterly.

Change is something that in human society is usually met with resistance. Change pushes us to move outside of our comfort zones and therefore, makes us uncomfortable. Human societies are often polarized along the two extremes of those persons who resist change in favor of conserving older, more familiar traditions, and those who want things to progress forward, favoring change and advocating for reform. On a societal level, the agencies of change come through reform or through revolution. Over the last century and a half, groups have successfully agitated for an end to slavery, minority rights, women's rights, and the rights of immigrants. People have agitated for living wages, decent working conditions and to abolish child labor. There have been successful movements to regulate food and drugs. All of these movements were originally met with opposition, and some of these areas of reform continue to be met with resistance. Those countries, where the population felt that ruling authorities were not receptive to call for reform, experienced more radical calls for change in the form of revolutions.

The sesquisquare agitates for change and meets resistance from the dominant desires that want things to remain the same. As a result of this dynamic tension, the sesquisquare is a mildly-discordant aspect, equal in power, but different in expression to the semi-square. Planets found in the sesquisquare aspect in our horoscopes create a state of

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The Sesquisquare Aspect

Measurement

Sesquisquare, 135° Zodiacal Longitude

The Sesquisquare is formed when two planets are four and one half signs or 135 degrees apart. They are difficult to identify without an aspect-finder because of the additional 15 degrees or half sign. Like the Semi-square, the Sesquisquare is a mildly-powerful aspect with an average orb that extends from 3 degrees for planets in a Cadent House (3, 6, 9, & 12) to 6 degrees for a Luminary (Sun or Moon) in an Angular House (1, 4, 7, & 10). The waves of astral energy that are radiated by planets in a Sesquisquare aspect blend mildly and antagonistically with one another.

Keyword

The keyword for the Sesquisquare is Agitation. The areas of the chart where two planets are engaged in a Sesquisquare are mildly discordant, attracting uneasiness, unrest, and apprehension. In Natal Astrology, these are often areas where a person may experience ongoing tension and mild anxiety.

Planetary Comparison

The Sesquisquare is comparable to the qualities of the planet Uranus; sudden, disruptive and erratic. It brings mild aggravation resulting in change to any two planets found 135 degrees apart.

Application

The Sesquisquare creates conditions in the life that attract mental, emotional and physical changes. If approached with decisiveness and grace, the new conditions attracted can positively alter one's life.

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nition in and of itself causes agitation and confusion but certainly provides a start for a discussion of a spiritual nature. It is important to apply all our methods of divination and definition in order to parse the sesquisquare for our purpose of spiritual growth.

Think about what causes great agitation within your soul before we begin. Take the time to meditate and even sleep on this question, and then make a few notes about how this feels and what the source of this agitation may be. Whatever the source of your agitation is, see if it can be related to a specific house or department of life and emotional concept. Now let us proceed with our process.

Have the natal and progressed charts available and list the sesquisquares;

Engage in an activity (writing, art, etc.) to help see how they manifest in your life;

Meditate on each sesquisquare for more inspiration;

Repeat for each sesquisquare in natal and progressed charts.

Go back now and look at what has been identified as causing you agitation in your spiritual journey to see the connection in your natal and progressed charts. Remember that this aspect may have developed from pleasant as well as discordant events in the soul's journey, and so it is by nature confusing to the point of agitation.

Always take into consideration that at this point on our spiritual path we may have applied the alchemical processes to most of the major aspects and conditions of our lives. Have we done the same with the minor discordant aspects in our charts? Speaking personally, I have realized that the agitation and irritation in my own life is largely because I have neglected to really work with the minor discords present therein. In spite of my annoyance at all the roadblocks facing the production of this article, the result of completing the process myself has been enlightening and transformational.

This aspect consistently has the feel of the struggles facing the adolescent child. There is a sense of rebellion and resentment between and among the elements which make up each sesquisquare we face. Some contributors to several blogs I read in preparation for writing this article even suggest that physical challenges can be represented by the sesquisquare. Having found such active blogs on the topic of this aspect; I certainly recommend that my readers avail themselves of this resource. Just Google it!

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ert little power. If a natural disaster blows into town, we are often at the mercy of the elements in terms of our survival and welfare. If the object of our affections decides that she no longer wishes to be so, after all that is her right, and we are left to understand and comprehend the new situation in which we find ourselves.

Still, while there are situations in which we exert little

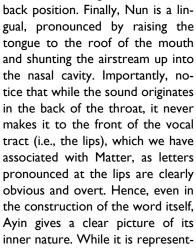
control or power, we ALWAYS retain the ability to decide how to respond to any event which impacts us. That is, we retain the right to develop our own perception of the matter. Psychologists acutely remind us time and again that it is the perception of the event, and not necessarily the event itself, which determines the final impact on the psyche. Thus, two people experiencing the exact same event can have totally different psychological responses, because while seeing is believing, in many ways believing is also seeing.

In the moment when we are afflicted by a tragedy, a loss, or some other untoward event, we have a critical, though often subconscious, decision to make. While we cannot change the outward circumstances of our lives, we always retain the ability to react to that tragedy in a positive, constructive way. While it may take months or years to seek and discover that point of equilibrium, we all have it within our character to ultimately come to a point of acceptance and in some cases even an appreciation of any positive outcomes which may have been precipitated by even the most challenging of events of our lives.

Ayin deals not with our physical sight, but with the all-important aspect of our inner sight, our perception of the events which befall us. Phonosemantically, this is also ingeniously concealed within the construction of the word itself. The word Ayin is composed of the letters Ayin (guttural), Yod, (palatal), and Nun, (lingual). Recall that the theory of phonosemantics states that the sounds which comprise words are not completely arbitrary, but rather that the sounds themselves communicate important meaning. The impacts of the sounds of the letters which we use to construct language are often associated with and even constructive of the meaning of

the word itself. This appears to hold true in the case of Ayin.

The letter Ayin is a guttural, pronounced deep in the throat. We have already established that as sounds produced in the back of the throat are invisible and hidden from view, they represent well the concept of Spirit. Yod is a palatal, which allows the sound to advance further forward into the vocal tract, though it still retains a



ed by the eye, it is not concerned with the physical phenomenon of vision, so much as the inner process of perception.

Finally, while we are free to interpret and respond to events however we see fit, perhaps it is wise to recall one final aspect of the phonosemantic value of the word Ayin. The letter Nun, as the letter which is pronounced at the highest point of the vocal tract, represents those highest hopes, aspirations, and dreams which we might possess. It is our sense of optimism and faith in our Creator, and the world which that Creator has produced that we might experience Life, Light, and Love. We certainly would not act in error to pass our experiences through the filter of hope and optimism as we seek to interpret and understand our world.

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Mundane Astrology 2018: Cycle Charts

Christopher Gibson

very Spring the Church of Light Quarterly is dedicated to the theme of Mundane Astrology. Mundane astrology, is the astrology of worldly activities, which originated in Ancient Mesopotamia. The origin of the word mundane derives from mundus, Latin for "world". Mundane Astrology explores the connections between the movement of the planets and corporate entities such as

countries, states, and cities. By calculating the birth -chart of nations and their progressed aspects, we can determine what trends will transpire country by country. Of singular importance are the Mundane Cycle Charts which are calculated for the precise moment a planet passes over the equator from south to north declination. What makes a Cycle Chart unique is that they are calculated from nation to nation using the capital city of each country for that moment when a planet passes over the equator. A Cycle Chart represents a of mass-influence dominating social, political and cultural trends as indicated by the planet for which the chart is erected. Students who are working

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USA Chart

July 4, 1776, 2:14:43 a.m. LMT Philadelphia Pennsylvania, 39N57 08; 75W09 51 Progressed to March 20, 2018

on CS XIII, Mundane Astrology, can find the Cycle Charts that they need for the exam in this issue of the Quarterly.

The USA Progressed Chart

The most prominent aspect currently active in the USA chart is the progressed MC conjunct natal Saturn in the 5th House. In the astrology of worldly affairs, the Midheaven (MC) represents persons in power positions such as bosses, superiors, ruling authorities, publicity and reputation. Saturn, known as the "major malefic", naturally attracts downfalls, losses, restrictions and hardships. Saturn is sometimes also referred to as the "great teacher", and

Saturn progressions hold the potential for "teachable moments". The 5th House, where Saturn is found, rules matters related to the arts, entertainment, love, romance, sexuality and children. This Midheaven/Saturn conjunction first entered mid-November. Since that time the news has been bombarded with stories about the sexual improprieties of powerful men in television, the motion picture in-

dustry and politics. The open discussion of harassment spawned the "me too" movement on social media allowing women (and some men) a voice to share their experiences of being sexually exploited by individuals in positions of pow-The public outcry around this topic has precipitated a loss of status and employment for several men previously in highly visible positions.

In the USA chart, Saturn also rules the 8th House of taxation, which is unoccupied with Capricorn on the cusp. Although GOP tax overhaul has been a popular topic of news, it may take some years before we completely understand and evaluate the benefits of this tax reform. Due to the MC conjunct Saturn, which

reaches its peak of power in November 2018, it might also make conservative lawmakers vulnerable during the 2018 fall elections.

Any aspects to Saturn also impact the 9th House of foreign relations, another unoccupied house with Aquarius on the cusp. In January of this year, the US President received international backlash when he referred to Haiti, El Salvador and African nations using a vulgar noun, normally reserved to describe dirty, shabby and unpleasant places. Since the MC/Saturn conjunction remains in orb until No-

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vember 2019, we might expect continued strained diplomacy during the next eighteen months.

The Sun Cycle Chart

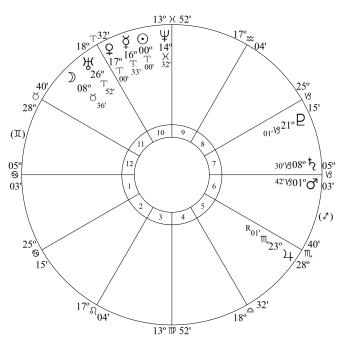
The Sun Cycle Chart commences every year on the first day of spring and is often referred to as a Vernal Ingress chart. On this day the Sun passes northwards over the equator, moving from 0 degrees south to 0 degrees north declination. This is also coinciding with the moment that

the Sun passes into the sign of Aries. In most Cycle Charts, we concentrate only on the matters of the planet ruling the cycle; however, in Mundane Astrology, C. C. Zain describes the Sun Cycle chart as being equivalent to a natal chart for the year - it reveals what the year holds in general as determined by each of the twelve houses. In the 2018 Sun Cycle Chart calculated for Washington DC, the Sun falls in the 10th House of the nation's honor and business. The 10th House also signifies the president of the country and the Administration. Mercury is the most powerful planet in the Vernal Ingress Chart, also found in the 10th House along with the Sun, Neptune and Venus. The

prominent Mercury could have the current Administration relying heavily on the Press Secretary to communicate the goals and objectives of the White House. The greatest harmony in the Sun Cycle chart is the Moon in the IIth House of Congress and the Legislative Branch of government. What ever house the Moon occupies in a chart experiences fluctuation. The Moon is the planet ruling the common people, which might express as grass-roots organizing in states that promise to be a battleground during the 2018 Mid-term elections. The Moon also rules the female sex, and women's groups may come forward in record numbers to get out the vote.

The greatest discord in the Sun Cycle chart is the Ascendant, which receives oppositions from both Malefics, Mars

and Saturn. In a Mundane chart, the Ascendant represents the populace. The afflictions to the Ascendant could express as an angry or fearful public and an increase of violence, conflict, or presence of hate groups at public assemblies. Anarchist groups might plant violent protesters among nonviolent demonstrations. These powerful oppositions might also express as concerns for public health, such as a virulent flu season or an outbreak of food-contaminations.



Sun Cycle, Washington DC March 20, 2018 12:16 p.m. EDT Capitol Building, 38N53 24; 77W00 34

The most powerful aspect in the Sun Cycle Chart is the conjunction of Mercury and Venus in Aries in the 10th House. This could place an emphasis on the public image of the current administration and its impulsive (Aries) communication style. Beautification efforts, social or cultural events at the White House could capture the attention of the press.

The Mars Cycle Chart

On January 29, 2017 at 7:09 a.m. EST, Mars passed over the equator from south to north declination, commencing a new Mars Cycle which remains potent for another year until January 2, 2019. The Mars Cycle reveals information about the police force, military action, aggression,

violence, and war. However, for war to be declared, it must be reflected elsewhere (such as in the progressed aspects of nations or world leaders), not just in the Mars Cycle Chart. In the current Mars Cycle Chart, effective since the end of January 2017, Mars is in the 2nd House. In Mundane Astrology C.C. Zain describes the influence of the 2nd House as: "The wealth and personal property of the people, the national treasury, banks, non-speculative bonds and securities, financial transactions, and places where money and securities are handled." Mars is the planet of strife and losses. Over the last year Americans have experienced enormous property losses estimated in the hundreds of billion dollars due to natural disasters includ-

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ing flooding due to hurricanes in Houston, Florida, and Puerto Rico, as well as the largest fires on record in California.

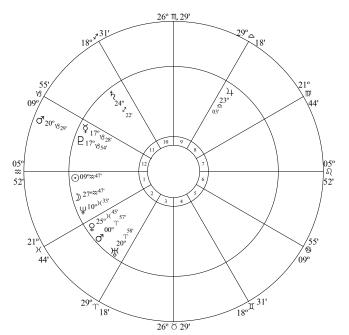
This cycle of property loss could continue until the beginning of 2019. Other times of concern for personal property loss are May 29 to June 6, July 16 through 24, and September 27 through October 2, when Mars passes over the Ascendant three times (Mars goes Retrograde from June 27 through August 28). The type of natural disaster that brings on property loss must be determined by the time of year. The May/June dates could reflect flooding in the northeast due to late spring snowmelt or perhaps western wildfires due to the La Niña conditions. The July date, might signify summer rains, tornados or wild fires; and the September/ October dates could reflect hurricane season or in California, seasonal Santa Ana winds and wildfires. This year holds the possibility for continued record loss of personal property.

From April 17 to 21, 2018, Mars will be in conjunction with Pluto in the 12th House of the Mars Cycle Chart. This configuration could bring matters of espionage into the public attention, or perhaps there could be a new exposé on Russian hacking and influence in the last US elections.

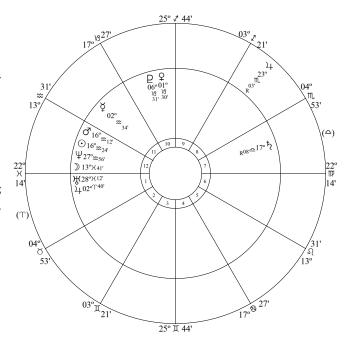
Jupiter Cycle

Financial trends, retail sales, treaties, court decisions and matters of trade all come under the rulership of Jupiter, and Jupiter cycles normally last 9 to 12 years. The current Jupiter Cycle Chart commenced on February 5, 2011 and goes through May 25, 2022. Jupiter is in the 1st House of the Cycle Chart governing the nation's health and public optimism. The fate of the Medicare system, the Affordable Care Act, and other public health issues will probably have the Nation divided along party lines.

Most of this year transiting Jupiter is moving through the 8th house of the cycle chart representing the mortality rate; debts due from foreign countries; tariffs, taxes, insurance, pensions and Social Security. In a Cycle Chart and any time reading transits, conjunctions or oppositions are the most powerful aspects that attract the most significant events. From March 20, 2018 to March 19, 2019, there are no conjunctions or oppositions formed by Jupiter in the Cycle Chart. However, January 31 through April 14, and again September 26 through October 6, Jupiter will form Trine aspects to the Ascendant. During this time interest rates could increase. Pensioners and other investors might see a higher rate of return on investments. Jupiter is Retrograde

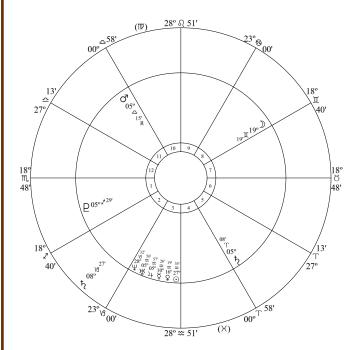


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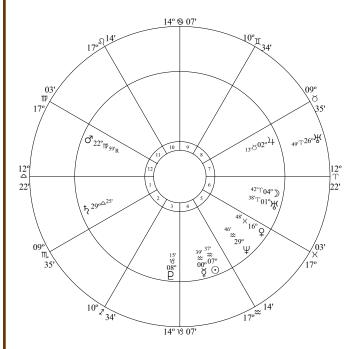
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Saturn Cycle, Washington DC

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Uranus Cycle, Washington DC

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this year from March 9th to July 11th, which might reflect a rehashing of old issues related to taxes, healthcare and Social Security. From November 22, 2018 through November 12, 2019, Jupiter transits through the 9th House of the cycle chart, shifting an emphasis to activities involving higher education, international trade and decisions made by the Supreme Court.

Saturn Cycle

Saturn governs conservative politics and the orthodoxy. The current Saturn Cycle began January 16, 1997 and concludes March 26, 2026. Saturn Cycles usually last around 28 to 29 years. The Saturn Cycle Chart has Saturn placed in the 5th house governing the birthrate, stock market, entertainment and the motion picture industry. Saturn, which is at 5° Aries, is directly opposed by Mars in the 11th House at 5° Libra. By transit, Saturn is passing through Capricorn in the 2nd House of the Cycle Chart until January 2020, and is forming no conjunctions or oppositions before March 19, 2019. However, on four occasions Saturn will form squares to the positions of both Mars and Saturn in the Cycle Chart. Considering the progressed aspects in the USA Chart, we could see further efforts to denounce sexual assault and harassment in the entertainment industry. Periods where this could be featured in the news might be: June 21 through July 19 (Saturn Square Mars), June 23 through July 22 (Saturn Square Saturn), October 21 through October 14 (Saturn Square Saturn), and October 22 through November 15 (Saturn Square Mars). Conservative members of government might also be under scrutiny for sexual harassment and other offenses as we approach the Mid-term elections this coming November.

Uranus Cycle

Uranus is the planet that governs ultra-progressive ideas and the latest advances in science and technology. During Uranus Cycles the planet spends approximately seven years in each house. The current Uranus Cycle Chart for the US which recently began in 2012, has Uranus placed in the 6th House of labor, health, medicine and food service. From June of 2013 through May of 2020 Uranus transits through the 7th House of foreign nations and international disputes. From April 17 through May 23, 2018 and again from October 27, 2018 to March 14, 2019, Uranus will form oppositions to Saturn in the Ist House of the Cycle Chart. This might erupt in protests that pit progressives against conservatives over issues of universal health care. Tensions might also arise with countries defined as "Rogue Nations" such as Iran, Syria, or North Korea. From June 9 through

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October 7, 2018, Uranus forms a conjunction with Jupiter in the 7^{th} House of the Cycle Chart. This could be a time where favorable new treaties, international agreements and allies may be formed.

Neptune Cycle

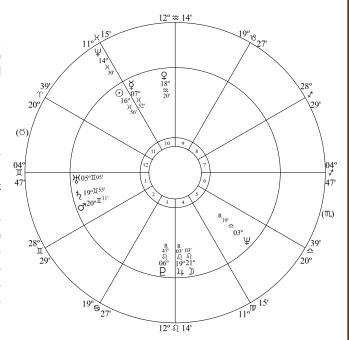
Imaginative Neptune governs mystical thought, schemes and promotions as well as political idealism. The current Neptune cycle, began in 1944, and the next Neptune Cycle will commence February 26, 2027. In the current Cycle Chart Neptune can be found in the 5th House of entertainment, motion pictures and television. Over the next year as Neptune moves through the 11th House of the Cycle Chart he will form two conjunctions to the Sun, May 3 through August 5, 2018, and February 28 through April 27, 2019. During these two periods, there can be an emphasis on diplomatic staff sent to foreign embassies. There may also be announcements of new heads of studios in Hollywood.

Pluto Cycle

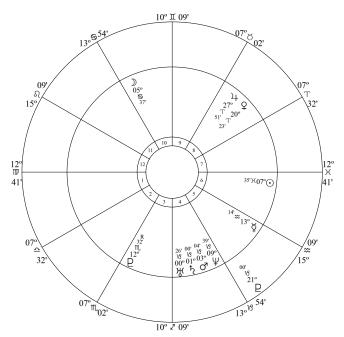
The current Pluto Cycle chart commenced February 26, 1988. Since that time, Pluto has expressed his transformative powers through the 3rd House of communications, mail, newspapers, periodicals and telephones triggering the communications revolution of the last three decades. Pluto almost always expresses through group movements whose motivations can span the spectrum of lobbying for societal good or for the special interests of a select group. At his best the highest expressions of Pluto are expressed as actions taken for Universal Welfare and the advancement of society. However, Pluto's normal modus operandi is through mobs and protests. In Mundane Astrology, C. C. Zain describes the influence of Pluto as follows:

"Pluto, whether dealing with the common man or with those of much authority does not ask, by your leave; but dictates what shall be done. Those under the leader, who has been elected by popular ballot or who has placed himself in power through force, are expected to carry out his orders unquestioningly. Subordinates who fail to cooperate are drastically and summarily punished. And all those coming under the jurisdiction of the group are compelled to cooperate in carrying out such plans as have been decided upon."

This year Pluto forms no conjunctions or oppositions; however, Pluto will be engaged in two Squares with the planet Venus. The first of these Squares is currently in orb at the time of writing and continues through August. The next Pluto Square Venus is from November 20, 2018 through



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ideas and methodologies that in turn open up new horizons and new experiences.

These are often spawned by agitations and inner conflicts that don't readily find resolution. The stirrings within our soul, mapped by planets in conflict, often compel us into a state of action that is a force for change. Most people who

are drawn to the study of astrology and the application of perturbation which forces us to remediate our circum- alchemy, do so because of the agitations within their psystances. Through seeking a remedy, we open up to new che that motivate them to seek change. And change is the anthem of the progressive evolution of the soul.

The restlessness, yearnings and stirrings of the soul repre-We also seek psycho-spiritual reforms and revolutions, sented by the sesquisquares in our horoscopes can quite possibly be the areas that make us feel more alive and the source of our spiritual growth.

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In working with the sesquisquare, it is important to remember always how unpredictable the manifestations are, and yet how important they are to our spiritual journey. These minor aspects remind us that we must leave no stone unturned in our quest for a life of Spirit. We are now fine tuning our psycho-emotional development as we continue to build our astral bodies and by extension lay the foundations for our spiritual bodies. Each small detail must be addressed in order to manifest a complete form of spirit. This is a good time for members to go into "The Outline of Initiation" in the membership packet or review it on-line. Begin to look at the Lucidic Degrees, begin to consider how to begin to address these challenges which are necessary for us to accept before we leave this wonderful place where we HAVE the physical form with which we can practice. There is nothing in the material that says we cannot practice the skills in the Lucidic Degrees before we get there. Just be sure to keep a complete journal and document everything that is done to meet the requirements.

We have long known that working with other Stellarians in groups is an amazing resource. There are so many of us who in the past could only connect with each other via mail or phone. These days we can virtually connect with others and have real study groups. The options are limitless for those of you who wish to progress with others. Please take advantage of these options to advance spiritual growth as well as your intellectual development. As Hermeticians we must mentor, as students we must connect and develop asking questions and using every means available to us for our education. Knowledge Is Power! One person may not be able to answer questions; the group always will do so. Be proactive in your own growth. This is exactly how we engage in the development of Universal Welfare through positive AGITATION. So Shall It Be

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(Mundane Astrology continued from page 10)

January 24, 2018. The nature of the square is violent and discordant. Pluto is transiting through the Fifth House of the Cycle Chart which governs love, entertainment, children, the classroom environment, speculation and the stock market. Venus is in the Eighth House of debt, credit, taxes and pensions. A variety of topics could remain in the foreground of the news which might include moneylaundering and corruption. We could also see a spate of mass-shootings at schools under this aspect.

Developing one's skill in interpreting Mundane Charts is similar to any other branch of astrology; it's all about building vocabulary around the Four Factors of Astrology: Planets, Signs, Houses and Aspects. Start with the keywords found in The Brotherhood of Light Lessons and build from there. Then narrow your focus to the nature of the Cycle Chart, the ruling planet and its progressions (by transit) movement. \Box



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Tarot Correspondence — The Treys



Divination

The Treys

The Treys.—The sign Libra is the common significator of partnership, open enemies, lawsuits and dealing with the public; therefore the Treys, corresponding numerically to Libra, in their more common divinatory significance must relate to these things as applied to the department of life indicated by the suit. But in their higher application they reveal the influence of, and can be interpreted by, the third decanate of each zodiacal triplicity, starting with the active, or movable signs.

The divinatory significance of the Trey of Scepters is a business partnership; its inner interpretation is PROPAGANDA.

The divinatory significance of the Trey of Cups is a marriage for love; its inner interpretation is RESEARCH.

The divinatory significance of the Trey of Coins is a marriage for money; its inner interpretation is EXPIATION.

The divinatory significance of the Trey of Swords is a lawsuit or a divorce; its inner interpretation is IDEALISM.

From The Sacred Tarot by C. C. Zain

Sample Tarot Spread—The Magic Seven Spread

Tarot Spread Interpretation

The Querent asked: What surrounds my remodeling project?"

Card Spread

The Past: Arcanum XXI—The Adept (reversed). "In Divination, **Arcanum XXI** may be read as **Success** or **Attainment**."

The Present: Horseman of Coins (reversed). "The Horseman of Coins denotes thoughts relating to health or money. Right way up, they tend to the prosperity of the client; reversed they are plots to unfairly obtain money from him."

The Future: Ace of Cups. "The divinatory significance of the Ace of Cups is a letter from a loved one; its inner interpretation is MOODS."

The Ability to Control: Arcanum XVIII—The Moon. "In Divination, Arcanum XVIII is Deception, False Friends, or Secret Foes"

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

The Opposition: Youth of Swords (reversed). "The Youth of Swords signifies a person ruled by the sign Capricorn: crafty, subtle, reserved and avaricious. Right way up it denotes a Capricorn man; reversed it indicates a Capricorn woman. The dominant idea is I USE."

The Outcome: Ace of Scepters. "The divinatory significance of the Ace of Scepters is news of a business opportunity; its inner interpretation is ACTIVITY."

Summary

The Querent had spent many years planning a sunroom addition to his home and had recently secured the finances to realize his dreams.

The Past: Arcanum XXI—The Adept (reversed) is ruled by the Sun, The Adept promises more light, energy and feelings of success in the home.

The Present: The Horseman of Coins (reversed) could indicate that the Querent is presently concerned whether he has a large enough budget for the project and whether or not he might be taken advantage of by the architect, contractor or tradesmen. His property taxes might also be raised as a result of the addition.

The Future: The Ace of Cups assures the Querent that he might love the future outcome of the project and create a happy environment for family and friends.

The Ability to Control: Arcanum XVIII—The Moon admonishes the Querent to be very careful who he chooses to work with as there might be disappointments or dishonesty encoun-



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tered. It also advises the need to have a very clear plan before moving forward to avoid last-minute changes.

The Environment: The Ten of Scepters represents new ideas and inventive thinking. There might be a lot of enthusiasm around the project that results as exciting changes during the planning and building process.

The Opposition: The Youth of Swords (reversed) warns that there could be a female adversary that stalls the project, be it a neighbor, inspector or builder.

The Outcome: The Ace of Scepters promises that the Querent may break ground soon, and be surrounded by a flurry of activity.

Summary

The Querent is likely to commence his project this year. He will need to plan carefully and find the right contractor and tradesmen to work with, while carefully sticking to a budget.

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Bonnie Rae Fesler

February 2, 1949 - March 2, 2017

Bonnie Joined The Church of Light in March 1976 and became a Hermetician in July 1978

Branch Church - Fort Worth, Texas Activities



The Fort Worth Center offers Brotherhood of Light classes on the first and second Tuesdays of the month from 7-9 p.m.

Religious services are held on the third Sunday of the month at 11 a.m.

A schedule for the upcoming month is available on their website at: owlswebnest.com

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Vicki Brewer

Margaret Dissinger

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First Sunday Roundtable Discussions

II a.m.-I2 noon

Join Yvette Fortin and Veiga O'Sickey as they facilitate monthly roundtable discussions on the topic of "Magic" based on the Brotherhood of Light Lessons by C.C. Zain



Yvette Fortin

Patrick Ramsey

Third Sunday Religious Services

Join our ministerial team consisting of Paul Brewer, Vicki Brewer, Meg Dissinger, Yvette Fortin, Christopher Gibson, Veiga O'Sickey, Patrick Ramsey and Radine Ramsey on the Third Sunday of the month at 11 AM Mountain Time for our monthly religious service.



Veiga O'Sickey



Calendar of Third Sunday Services: March-August 2018

Date	Event	Presented by
March 18, 2018	Aries—Spring Equinox Service	Yvette Fortin
April 15, 2018	Taurus Service	Christopher Gibson
May 20, 2018	Gemini Service	Patrick Ramsey
June 17	Cancer Service	Veiga O'Sickey
July 15	Leo Service	Yvette Fortin
August 19	Virgo Service	Patrick Ramsey

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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.

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