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## ASTROLOGY is a banned word?

As my readers know, I don't email the newsletter itself. I email a short announcement, a teaser, with a link to the newsletter in it. Last week's began like this:

Hello !

AstroAmerica's Newsletter for the week of March 17 is now on-line!

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Celebrating the continuing discovery of Astrology -

In this week's issue:

Your week in pictures.

Nick & James talk about dignity.

Wyatt Earp has a birthday...

It went out at 10:40 am EDT on Monday, March 16. By 3 pm Spamhaus, a UK based spam-cop with German pretensions, had declared I was sending spam & alerted its subscribers. Just after 6 pm I was having a spirited exchange with Frederick W on the west coast, when suddenly my emails were bounced back at me. I quickly found my emails (personal as well as business) were banned by Comcast, Hotmail, Cox & even by my own ISP. It was quickly fixed, but, folks, it's serious. Why was I banned? I have been sending 4700 emails every week - or month - the last two years.

What would happen this week, when I would send another 4700? Would I be banned for good? Repeat offender? Would that be the end of the newsletter? I went to bed in a panic. I slept a few hours & awoke with an idea. Did Spamhaus ban me because I put a prohibited word too close to the beginning of the email?

What might that banned word be?

Could it be -

**A\*ST\*RO\*LO\*G\*Y** as in, "*Celebrating the continuing discovery of Astrology*"? Anybody know?

So how do we keep Spamhaus happy? What are the real rules? There is much at stake.

David R. Roell



## DUELING DICTIONARIES

### ECLIPSES

**James Wilson**, 1819: The duration of the effects of an eclipse is said to be a year for every hour the Sun is eclipsed, and a month for every hour the Moon is eclipsed: the nature of the events are calculated by erecting a figure to the moment the eclipse commences, and those countries represented by the sign ascending.... (\$29.95)

**Nicholas DeVore**, 1947: Contrary to ancient superstitions, eclipses are not uniformly evil. One man's loss is often another's gain, and an eclipse in good aspect to a benefic under good directions can result favorably. Those on the places of the Sun, Moon, Ascendant, or MC and on the malefics are, however, unfavorable influences. (\$29.95)

## ALMANACK

for the week (all times GMT)

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	19:16	☾♂♀		
27	12:15	♀□♄		
	19:24	♀♂☉		
	18:09	☉♁♁		
28	02:18	☾♁♄	Void	
	10:10	☾♂		
29	02:32	♀♂♀		

Extracted & adapted from AstroAmerica's Daily Ephemeris, 2000-2020. Get yours!



## STAR OF THE WEEK



**Algenib gamma Pegasi**, 9 ♁17 (2009). A white star situated at the tip of the wing of Pegasus. From Al Janah, the Wing, or Al Janb, the Side. According to Bullinger it means, "who carries."

**Influence:** Of the nature of Mars & Mercury. It gives notoriety, dishonor, violence, misfortune and denotes the naked and poor professional beggar.

**With Sun:** Mental disturbances, fevers & ill-health, some danger of accidents.

**With Moon:** Dishonor, loss by scandal, exiled or forced to flee, ill-health, trouble through writings.

**With Mercury:** Quick temper, mental disturbances, success in legal & other disputes.

**With Venus:** Generous, proud, quick temper, bad morals, drink or evil habits, favorable for financial affairs. - from **Fixed Stars**, by Vivian Robson, \$19.95

Conjunct **Deanna Troi's** Sun. She was the Betazoid counsellor aboard the Starship Enterprise. Remember?

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# What's Your PRENATAL ECLIPSE?

What's in your picture?

What's a prenatal eclipse? It's the Solar Eclipse immediately prior to your birth. Round up to the next degree to get the proper picture.

**C**arol J took me to task for promoting Sabians. I don't like them much either, I said, but they make a nice foil for **Charubel**. Then I remembered that **Robert Blaschke**, in **Astrology, A Language of Life vol. 5, Holographic Transits**, discovered or invented a unique use for **Sepharial's** contribution to that book (**Degrees of the Zodiac Analyzed**).

According to Blaschke, the picture for your prenatal eclipse, from Sepharial's **La Volasfera**, gives a unique picture of you & your life. He gives George W. Bush's prenatal, at 7 degrees of Cancer:

*An iron gauntlet, a sword, and a scourge lying together upon the stump of a tree. It indicates a person of strong personality, but of a tyrannous nature, who, by force of arms & aggression generally, will press forward regardless of the merits of others & insensible of their feelings. His hand, though strong, is frequently unjust & cruel in its action, impelled by the motive that "might is right"; and, when opposed, is capable of extreme cruelty & selfishness. In certain natures the influence of this degree generates the common-place "bully". It is a degree of **Self Assertion**. (Sepharial, pg. 69; Blaschke, pg. 36)*

### Here is Obama's at 27 Aquarius:

*A stately mansion surrounded by trees in an expanse of pastureland. This symbol denotes one who will be "house proud," fond of his home & desirous of acquiring estate, so he may have the uninterrupted joys of continuous home life. He will prove himself to be a capable and polished member of society, a good patriot, and an earnest upholder of the traditions of his people and country. Of a pleasant and frank nature, and humane disposition, he will readily attract friends around him, and will be never so happy as when entertaining them in a homely but unostentatious manner. He will prosper in the world and will be beloved for his breadth of mind and wide sympathies. **It is a degree of possession.***

But, you will say, this isn't individual

at all. Everyone born between two solar eclipses would be the same!

Which is exactly right. The period between two solar eclipses defines all those born between the two dates. Which implies that everyone born between June 29 and November 22, 1946, are essentially bullies. All those born between February 15 and August 10, 1961, are stately smooth talkers.

Or are they? George W & Bill Clinton were born 44 days apart. Both of them have the same prenatal eclipse at 7 Cancer. How can they possibly be the same?

Let's look deeper. A prenatal eclipse point is not a body, so it will cast no rays (conjunctions, though, are allowed), but it will have a house position & a dispositor. In both cases, the Moon.

In Bill's case, the prenatal eclipse point, 7 Cancer, is conjunct his MC. This might be why so many people thought he was a tyrant (I wasn't one of them). It is disposed by the Moon in Taurus in 8. Which is good for manipulating others, useful for a politician. In its turn, the Moon is disposed by Venus in Libra in the 1st (the most powerful planet in Clinton's chart), meaning that whatever he attempts he will be known for.

George W Bush is another story. His prenatal falls exactly on his 12th house cusp (Placidus, I never use anything else), so remains hidden. Its dispositor, the Moon, is approaching tight conjunction with Jupiter in Libra, and both of them are headed towards the 4th house cusp. Libra is the sign of warfare (does that surprise you?). The Moon there makes it personal, Jupiter makes it larger than life, the 4th house makes it a fundamental bedrock (the "war president" anyone?). These are disposed by Venus, now in Leo, which takes pride in being known (1st house) for what has been brought to it, in this case, conflict. Venus is disposed by the Sun in Cancer in 12, which, as Cancer is an emotional soup, takes secret (12th house) delight in the destruction that has been brought to it by this round-about process. That Sun is disposed by the Moon, which makes for a closed loop. Watch out for people with those!

As **Martha** ceaselessly reminds us, a chart is true. No matter how you look at it.

**Your prenatal eclipse?** Find it in any good ephemeris. Remember to round up to the next degree. **DeVore** lists eclipses from 1800 to 2000, though as he truncates minutes, you will need to add a degree to his positions before you look them up in Sepharial.



**I**ronically, whenever we give up a little growth for a lot of gratification, it just seems to propel us into the even less desirable throes of super heartache, mega failure, or jumbo loss. Divine punishment? Well, as much as that would give us great comfort & take us off the human hook, no. It's just a universal reminder that we really can't change old habits if we're just not doing anything to address them. Unfortunately, sometimes they are very old, and we ignore them even more. The cosmos, however, is undaunted & continuously gives each & every one of us chance after chance to address them until it is forced to resort to that angst-ridden whack across the egotistical head that always brings us to our emotional knees—the one that we never saw coming because we were so busy fighting those extraordinary obstacles & insurmountable difficulties that always seem to be almost purposely thrown into our willful paths just when we were too busy focusing on ourselves to notice. Where were the signs? After all, aren't we only human? Regrettably, yes, which is why our spiritual advancement tends to take awhile—often lifetimes. Evidently, the cosmos has the ability to knock us off the wrong track, but thanks to the ever-popular free will option in our contracts, not off our egos. Because of that, we continue to deny responsibility for anything that even resembles failure in our lives, preferring instead to exercise our universal birthright of assigning blame or just indulging in self-pity. After all, it's what allows us to continue that highly productive human pastime of jamming round pegs into square holes. — from **Cosmic Karma**, by **Marguerite Manning**, 15.95. Used by permission.



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## ELECTIONAL ASTROLOGY

### Part 3: The Moon in Elections

**T**he Moon in the ascendant is very unfavorable for almost every thing, unless it is strong by sign & very well aspected. In fact it is wiser to avoid this position in all cases except when it is expressly stated to favour the particular matter in hand. If the Moon is in the ascendant with Saturn it denotes sorrow, long & tedious illness or death, loss of money, goods & friends, and trouble from influential people. If with Jupiter, it denotes journeys & voyages, but may bring marriage, children or other benefits. If with Mars, much harm & deception; if with Venus, it may bring health & gain through women; and if Mercury, many changes of work or friends. If both Sun & Moon are in the ascendant it is said to denote loss, trouble, sorrow, danger to the eyesight, and instability in the matter of the election....

**I**t is considered evil to place Cauda in the ascendant, or in conjunction with either the Sun or Moon, especially at the time of New or Full Moon, possibly because it would also be an eclipse.... – **Electional Astrology**, by **Vivian Robson**, \$19.95

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY BANGLADESH!**  
26 March 1971, 6:00 pm, Dacca.

## 1-2-3 RECTIFICATION

**L**ast month I needed Evangeline Adams' chart. I got the place wrong, but there was no birth time, and I wanted that. So I rectified it to 2 pm, February 8, 1868. How did I do it?

**S**tart with a noon chart. Note the Sun & Moon, and any stelliums. Here's a rule: **People are known by their domiant house.** One dominant house is typical. Two you find on occasion. More than that is rare. That house will contain the Sun, or Moon, or stellium, or possibly the ruler of the ascendant.

This makes rectification similar to horary. In horary, we first establish the house that rules the question at hand. We do the same with rectification. Evangeline Adams was known for being intelligent. That's a 3rd house/9th house thing. As Miss Adams was a full moon birth, I could set the Sun in 9 & the Moon in 3. So I did.

Which put Cancer on the ascendant. Cancers are known for having big chests. I looked at the picture on the cover of **Christino's** book & it looked chesty to me. I then noticed Venus in Pisces in 10, which would seem to account for her popularity. Neptune was further along in 10, which would be her fame on early radio. Moon, ruler of the ascendant in 3, and in Leo, Adams would be busy about town, a prominent person in her city of residence.

**Consider also angular vs: cadent houses.** Angular makes for aggressive people, according to the angle. Cadent are those who blow with the wind.

*Et voilà:* Adams rectified to 2 pm. Is this definitive? No. More work, more questions, will produce better results.

## Dear Dave,

My brother & sister-in-law have just arrived. Both have Gemini rising but sis may be Cancer, as she has the moon face of a Cancer rising.

– *Curious in Chicago*

Dear CC,

Check also the sun/moon. Full moons have round faces. This is from **Penfield**, who looked at me & nailed mine at a glance.

– *Bro-law-has has Saturn on his Mars!*  
*The in-laws always talk about how laid back he is as if it were a good thing but my husband says he has no initiative, no forward momentum, squashes every plan that anyone comes up with almost as a matter of course.*

**Driving with the brakes on**, as **Oken** observed.

– *It is little surprise that she rules the roost. I wondered about the conjunct ascendants. I guess that would make their outlook on life similar as there would be house cusps in common.*

**Conjunct ascendants/identical signs on house cusps** mean they experience a lot of things in the same way. They also get hit with the same house-based transits at pretty much the same time, so their lives are often in sequence. **For areas of harmony & conflict, look to house-based, mundane aspects.** Is what's in her 4th house compatible with what's in his 4th house, for example. If one has Mars in 4 & the other has Saturn in 4, they're going to grate, even if there's no traditional aspect between them. **If they're near the same age, then the outer planets should all fall in the same houses, which gives them a feeling of being in the foxhole together, facing the world as a team.** Differences come from the relative house placements of Sun, Moon, Mercury, Venus, Mars, Jupiter & Saturn. Houses, not sign to sign (or degree-based) aspects are what you're looking for. **Robson** gets into this. – **Dave**

