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The Hexagon on Saturn

SAW it on TV but failed to realize its import until Helen R pointed it out to me in an email. What does a hexagonal hurricane on Saturn represent? As I've mentioned previously, Stixrude and Cohen have theorized a six-sided crystal in the center of the earth. I have said that a six-sided crystal represents zodiacal energies as 6 sides translates into 12 features, or signs.

I've also noted the presence of hexahedrite, a crystalline 6-sided alloy of iron, which is found in many meteorites, which suggests that the solar system is composed of crystalline planetary structures and that astrology is nothing more than the study of very large crystals. It is therefore of staggering importance that a giant hexagonal structure has been found on Saturn, and entirely appropriate that it was found there, since Saturn is the concretizing planet and would show itself to be, if we could only see it closely enough, concretized in any number of ways. Saturn's rings being another obvious clue. By contrast, the rings ("auras") of Jupiter and Uranus are much,

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much more faint. I can also vaguely see a six-sided structure printed through on the surface of the earth, in longitudes of land and oceans.

Saturn's polar hexagon was first glimpsed decades ago, but as Saturn has seasons just like the earth, each seven years in length, we had to wait until we had a satellite in orbit around it and wait longer until sunshine finally returned to the north pole. Which also confirmed that Saturn's hexagonal hurricane, like Jupiter's Big Red Spot, are very long-term events.

Frederick Woodruff

HE result of nearly a month's work, the tireless Frederick has published an interview with me, where I ramble over an absurd range of topics. Some of which he actually asked me about. Go on over to his AstroInquiry and, as he says, fasten your seat belts for a bumpy ride that goes beyond Dublin.



Stage, Ability for, continued from last week: The actual power of impersonating others appears to belong to 13° Pisces. Sir Richard Burton, an unrivalled impersonator, had Venus conjunct Mars here; Zena Dare has the same degree rising; her sister has Mercury in exact trine; Lillian Braithwaite has Mars in trine; Barrett has 12° Virgo on the M.C.; Sir Henry Irving had this point nearly exactly between Venus and Uranus on the cusp of the 5th; Mrs. Langtry had Neptune 11^o Pisces trine M.C. and sextile Uranus exact.

found that 28° Scorpio and to some extent the aspecting points are very marked. Stateliness of Demeanor results from a prominent well-aspected Sun, especially if he is in good aspect to Jupiter or if that planet is also well-placed. The fixed signs can also as a rule assume a stately and dignified bearing if the horoscope as a whole be good; otherwise they incline to render the bearing pompous or merely heavy. The

In examining the above it will also be

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ALGOL beta Persei 26 & 21

Legend: Algol represents the head of the Gorgon Medusa who was slain by Perseus. Medusa, who was the only mortal one of the three Gorgon sisters, was originally a beautiful maiden, but her hair was changed

into hissing serpents by Minerva in consequence of her having become by Neptune the mother of Chrysaor and Pegasus in one of Minerva's temples. This gave her so fearful an appearance that everyone who looked at her was changed into stone.

Notes: A white binary and variable star marking the Medusa's Head held in the hands of Perseus. Its diameter is 1,060,000 miles, and its density only a little above that of cork. **Influence:** Of the nature of Saturn and Jupiter. It causes misfortune, violence, decapitation, hanging, electrocution and mob violence and gives a dogged and violent nature that - From Fixed Stars, by Vivian Robson Buy causes death to the native or others.

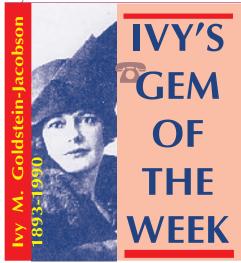
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Your Astrological Biography

NE of the most interesting things an astrologer can do for himself would be to make up his personal autobiography, preceded by what he can glean of his genealogy. Starting with the year-heading shown on page 11 for the year and age of important events in this man's life, accompanied by the current aspects accounting for the events, a valuable record can be achieved of great personal interest, gaining importance as time goes on. Such a diary supplies valid information, should the need arise in days to come.

Some of us have made our way up from practically nothing, in the process of accomplishing our goal with credit to ourselves and our ancestors who after all include the only one from whom we can ever actually inherit: ourselves. Why do we think this? Because we are always, forever and from the first, the same Soul that is immortal, and the same encasing Spirit that personifies it each time like our Sun by Sign. In our forward evolvement, incarnation after incarnation, we return each time better equipped for soul growth and spiritual expansion that sometimes could yet start under unpromising circumstances at first.

However, we always bring over with us at each return the two indispensable possessions we need most: our personal aptitude and talent that are essential equipment for our Immediate Future, both our future and our possessions being ruled by the Second House. — **Astrological Essays**, 1979. **Buv**.

Bill Gates, kubera

third — who should have been the fourth — was born on October 28, 1955, at 10:00 pm in Seattle, Washington.

Already we know he was the first-born male of the family, as also-rans are never given numbers after their names. (He has two sisters, one older, one younger.) Could this indicate an insecure daddy? Not satisfied with simply having a son, but wanting a clone of himself — and of his father, and of his father before him? Don't laugh. I once knew a family in southern California where the first-born was to arrive on a specific date in early September, by inducement if necessary. Well...

Daddy in the chart is the 4th house cusp, which in Gates III chart is Libra, the insecure sign. Just inside the 4th house, Mars, debilitated in Libra, is a daddy who is aggressive/shows off in order to make an impression (Libra). At least, that's how the son will see it. Mars is ruled by Venus, which we find debilitated in Scorpio. Both Venus and Mars debilitated in each others' signs (mutual reception) is a father who projects as bigger and more important than perhaps he really was, as I find debilitated planets often over-compensate. Venus conjunct Saturn makes it more so. For those of you keeping track, note another mutual reception, that between Saturn, in Scorpio, and Mars, in Libra, which Saturn co-rules. All of these are highly dynamic.

You want to know why Bill's so very rich and want to look at the 2nd house. Which here is Leo. The house with Leo on the cusp is what you were born with. A king is a king from the very day of his birth, his life amounts to nothing more than waiting for the day his father dies so that he can inherit the kingdom. Leo on the 2nd, one has what he has, the 2nd being the house of having, for better or worse. A king, after all, can be king of France, or king of Lower Pottsylvania. A king is a king regardless of the size or importance of his kingdom. Leo on the 2nd, Gates has what he has, for better or worse.

What about Jupiter and Pluto, conjunct in Leo in the second? Know that Jupiter, in general, is not aggressive. Jupiter in the 2nd will not go after money. In a cardinal sign

Jupiter may well spend what he has, while in a mutable sign may fritter it away. In a fixed sign it will tend to keep and hold, though Jupiter is not, of itself, miserly, quite the opposite. Jupiter-Pluto conjunct in Leo in the 2nd is profound transformation because of resources but not, of themselves, the ability to get or necessarily keep those resources.

Which is to say that Bill Gates III never set out to get rich. That he did so anyway will be result of other factors. In charts, look for areas of stress and imbalance as these are often clues to subsequent behavior. In the case of Bill Nye, for example, a life-long quest for scientific facts came from a world he could not control, shown by a difficult Moon-Mars opposition. See my analysis of October 16, 2012.

O far as father and son Gates are concerned — the father being Bill Gates Jr. — daddy is very much concerned with having more, or, perhaps, just having some. Daddy is the 4th house of his son's chart and daddy has a tight and complex interchange between the 4th — himself - and the 5th, which is his 2nd, of resources. Mutual receptions bind together the affairs of the houses in which the planets are placed, in this case, to Gates' father, the father's 1st and 2nd houses, in other words, the father (1st house) becomes identified (mutual reception) with his money (2nd house). Where we find Saturn, planet of destitution in the sign of Scorpio, which marks intensity, in other words, intense need. Daddy is needy and makes that very apparent to his one-and-only son, Bill III, in whose chart we find this. There nothing quite so needy as Saturn in Scorpio in the 2nd, disposed by a debilitated Mars in Libra in the 1st, these, again, being played out in the 4th and 5th houses as Gates' father.

Which is to say that Bill Jr. hoped and prayed that Bill III would become his means of support.

With six of ten planets in those two houses, III's subsequent career then becomes the story of how III handled these same planets in these two houses. Because Bill III got more than just a ready-made name. He got the entire weight of three prior male ancestors thrown straight onto his shoulders. Somehow I doubt Bill III had a fun time

★STUDENT'S CORNER★

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Part 15

The Alphabet

continued:-

(d) Decanates. Each sign of 30° is sub-divided into three parts of 10° each, called Decanates. The first decanate of a sign is under the sub-rulership of the sign itself, the second is sub-ruled by the following sign of the same triplicity, and the third is ruled by the remaining sign of the triplicity. Thus 0° to 10° Υ is sub-ruled by Υ , 10° to 20° Υ is sub-ruled by Λ , which is the sign following Υ in the fiery triplicity, and 20° to 30° Υ is sub-ruled by Λ . Similarly, 0° to 10° Υ is under Λ , 10° to 20° Υ is under Λ , 10° to 20° Υ is under Λ , 10° to 10° Λ is under Λ , 10° to 10° Λ is under Λ .

3. RELATION OF SIGNS AND PLANETS. Definite relations exist between the planets and the signs of the zodiac. A given planet does not act with equal power through all signs, as in some cases the two influences are sympathetic and in others antagonistic, so that the influence of the planet is more favourable and less disturbed in some signs than in others. There are four chief kinds of relationship that are of particular importance, namely, House, Detriment, Exaltation and Fall.

(a) House. Each planet is said to be the ruler of two signs, with the exception of the Sun and Moon, which rule one each, such signs being the zodiacal *houses* of the planet. In each case one sign is odd or positive and the other even or negative, the former being termed the day house, and the latter the night house. In present day astrological practice this distinction is usually ignored, but the ancients set some store by it and considered the day house to have chief power in a day horoscope and the night house in a night horoscope. A planet in its own house is in its most powerful position and tends to operate more strongly and favourably than when otherwise placed. Afflictions to such a body are not so serious, while good aspects act more powerfully. — A Student's Text-Book of Astrology, by Vivian Robson. Buy

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Moon in Taurus

HE second best listeners of the zodiac. You can say absolutely anything. Beat on their chests and scream, "You brute! You brute!" — they take it all calmly and quietly. There is something about the way they listen, something *solid*, like talking to a brick wall.

If they are ever shocked, they don't show it much. Nothing in their manner has ever yet proved that they are shockable as far as I can see. They soothe you the way they listen.

Moon in Taurus folks handle Scorpios very well. They are great to go to for a good sob. They have shocking friends.

You can ruffle them, though. Take away their comforts and their money and their food. Let it bleed!

This is Reliable Roger, whom you can generally trust for a meal or a place to stay. They try to telephone around the time they said they would and have a good reason if they don't.

Common-sense appeals to them, so sell them the practical side of what you are proposing. They need a base of operations or they're lost. Don't talk fancy to them. You are the man in the street, and you know they want results from what you are proposing. Give them a lot of information. Stress how much easier and more comfortable they will be when they feel more secure.

When they get bluesy they need to have their *things* around them. They go mad when their bodies aren't comfortable. They get attached to their stuff, and buying things cheers them up. They see the God in beautiful objects. If you're a guest in their house, try not to handle all their stuff. They hate that; it brings out the possessive streak in them.

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DOG OF THE MONTH



Taurus dogs are obstinate, and when annoyed with you will not heed at all, and will probably do exactly the opposite. Yet they can be very sweet and loving and even overtly demonstrative.

Very brave and protective toward you. Super cunning to get his own way, especially if he wants to stay in the house and you want him out. He will immediately show how well-behaved he is, and will park himself in the place he knows you like him to be and thump his tail on the floor while looking you straight in the eye beseechingly.

They love to be stroked and fondled, and will guard you zealously.

They prefer luxury to the Spartan life no dog house for these beggars, not when they can sleep on the master's bed.

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The New Newsletter

ost people, most astrologers, even, have no idea how rich, how varied, astrology really is. I'm lucky. For the last ninteen years, I've lived in what amounts to a world-class astrological library, which I've been passing off as **AstroAmerica**. Every week I will serve up a slice for your amusement.

'Til next week – **Dave**

May 7:

558 – Dome of Hagia Sophia collapses. 1664–Palais of Versailles opens.

1824–Premiere of Beethoven's 9th.



growing up. What does the chart say?

N the case of Bill III — who is, after all, the subject of this week's essay — Mars and Mercury conjunct in the 4th makes for a highly tense and volatile home life. Mars is warfare, conjunct Mercury is emotionally charged words. In mutual reception to Venus and Saturn in the 5th, the solution is to simply "do something." Anything. The fifth house is the house of creative affairs, in other words, the place where we do things to amuse ourselves: Make babies, compete in sports or try to make peace (Venus) in the household. This is propelled by the Sun itself. While the household may be carnage and warfare, the Sun, in early Scorpio, is at home there. Remember that Scorpio wants intensity. Anything less and Gates would have simply fallen asleep.

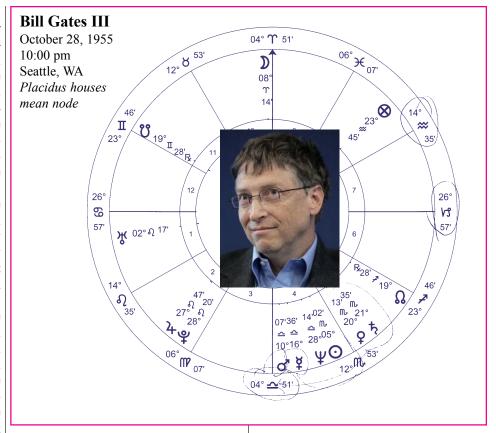
These efforts at "doing things" were strongly focused on the practical, as shown by Saturn in the 5th. When planets are in mutual reception in adjoining signs and houses and have other planets with them, we might for the sake of it term this a giant stellium and read accordingly. In this case, the net result of warfare in the home producing products of use, is shown by the Sun, sitting in the middle of it all, ruling the second house of money and demanding his fee.

Remember that kings do not work. Their income is from taxes, which are arbitrary levies that every citizen must pay, regardless. In the Kingdom of Bill Gates (Microsoft, etc.) we are all PC's and must pay our taxes, in the form of perpetually new "operating systems." And it is precisely true that for many years Bill Gates has been the single, worldwide king of personal computers. We, as his subjects, must pay his tax. And pay and pay and pay.

So now we understand the meaning of Jupiter-Pluto conjunct late in Leo/late in the 2nd house: Money in fact transformed Bill, and Bill, the king of PC's, has ruled and transformed all of us. As Leo is a fixed sign, and as the Sun is found in Scorpio, which is also fixed, this will likely continue. As Leo and Scorpio are in square, there will be many stresses.

O, as a king, how is Bill doing? Cancer rising, he is personable and friendly, and was taken as such for some number of years. Cancer, ruled by the Moon, his appearance is average and pedestrian, if not actually common and plain. In what specific ways is he personable and friendly? Look for the house and sign of the ruler of Cancer, the Moon.

We find the Moon in Aries and the 10th house. Moon in Aries is aggressive and will



take no prisoners, since it is unconcerned about the past and equally unconcerned about the future. It is only concerned about the here and now. Aggressive and boyish, Gates III is a youth who will never quite grow up.

Moon in the 10th house, Gates has his finger on the public pulse. He knows what people will like, he can play to the lowest common denominator and get it right every time, and, in fact, has profited immensely as a result.

But the Moon is variable, regardless of sign or house. In the 10th house, Gates' initial popularity (he was wildly popular in the 1980's) faded into outright hatred in the 1990's. Which is still the opinion many have of him. Gates is aware the public dislikes him and for many years has been trying to change the world's opinion through philanthropy. Will this work? Well . . .

Bill's Moon, the ostensible source of the problem, is in opposition to, and ruled by, a debilitated Mars in Libra. When we look at Bill Gates III, we see his public persona, which starts with his ascending sign and ruling planet, backed up by the house and sign the ruling planet is in. Which is Moon in Aries in 10, which we've decided we do not like.

Scratch the surface and underneath we find the opposition and rulership of Moon to Mars leads us straight into Bill's powerhouse 4th and 5th houses, in other words, into the deafening clatter of 4th-5th make-do. Note that philanthropy stands Bill's chart on its

head. Bill's chart is about creating something of practical value (Saturn in 5), which he can then turn around and "sell" to us by means of a tax (Sun in 5, ruling 2). There is nothing here about giving money away to needy people. As close as we get is Saturn's rulership of the 8th, of Other People's Money, or lack thereof. Aguarius on the 8th house cusp. there is, in fact, an entire world out there, but, lacking actual planets in the 8th, efforts to help the planet will be quixotic (Aquarian) at best. Gates' philanthropy has been faulted for seeking return on investment, in other words, what is given to the 8th house is taken back by the 2nd. Note the presence of the Part of Fortune in the 8th. Giving money to The People will benefit Gates, though as Fortuna is opposite Jupiter-Pluto and square Saturn in signs of fixity, philanthropy will proceed in a herky-jerkey fashion. T-squares in fixed signs are like recalcitrant mules.

F his various philanthropic projects, in March of this year Gates announced a \$100,000 reward for a condom that men will actually want to use, this to promote "safe sex.". This is worth a brief analysis.

Married sex is 8th house, where we accept whatever babies (5th house) as may arise and remain faithful to our partner, which makes "safe sex" an oxymoron.

Unsafe sex is, by definition, sex between

unmarried partners and is therefore a 5th house affair. So for the heck of it we look at Gates' 5th house, to see if he may have a stake

Which he does. Scorpio on the 5th house cusp, sex is intense and where Bill proves himself to the world, or at least, to his partner. Venus in Scorpio, sex is surprisingly harsh, and, Saturn next to it, not as frequent as he would like, or is kinky in some fashion. (Forgive me, I am weak with kinky sex.) The house being ruled by a debilitated Mars in Libra, there is a constant need to prove oneself, to pick a partner to conquer — at random, if need be. Why a random partner? Look where the Moon is: In opposition to Mars, but ruled by it. Remember the Moon is our emotional home. Planets in aspect to it show how our emotions are handled, for better or worse. The partners Bill wants (or, at this stage in his life, wanted: Moon) and the partners he got (Mars), were never quite the right ones. Scorpionic intensity made this all the more obvious to him. Which, by the way, was why he was 38 before he met Miss Right in the person of Melinda French. Gates, like everyone else of his age, was hit full in the face with the AIDS scare of nearly 30 years ago. He had a personal stake in knowing if he was going to get sick and die. He still feels that. Nevermind that AIDS/HIV is two orders of magnitude below the threshold of an STD and is therefore attributable to other factors. Hysteria is not rational and never has been. Be especially careful of people who peddle hysteria.

For \$100,000, what is the solution Gates seeks? A very simple one, actually: Dust the condom with a skin-penetrating narcotic. Start with cocaine and heroin to get a baseline, and then stumble around until something more or less legal turns up. What will be the result? Condom-based orgasmic drug addiction. Which can be practiced solo even better than with a partner. Add Viagra to the dust and you can go for hours and hours. WE DO NOT NEED THIS. Is Bill Gates smart? Does he have a brain? His third house is empty. On the other hand, this mega-billionaire is only offering a hundred grand. Which is peanuts. My mortgage is bigger.

ILL Gates III could just as well have made his fortune with a National Football League franchise. Which, after all, is 5th house, like all other sports. Why computers? The details you can find in a chart are truly amazing. Look at Uranus, the planet of revolution and electricity, in the first house. In Leo, the sign of fixed individuality. Does this not symbolize the revolutionary impact of the personal computer (the PC), which arrived suddenly and which then stayed (qualities of fixity), and that Gates would be the person (1st house)? Also note that Gates is a well-known addict of computer games. Games are 5th house.

Will he ever be "taken down" will he ever have to explain himself, will he ever be held to account for "crimes and misdeeds"?

No, not even. Note the south node, of bad luck and misfortune, is leaning heavily into the 12th, where the world cannot touch it and where Gates himself may not even be aware of it. Ruled by Mercury, which is angular and conjunct Mars, if anything bad should happen, the full weight of Bill's chart will rapidly come to the rescue. Which, in fact, has been the case with all the various legal challenges brought against him or his company. Many of which Microsoft has in fact lost, but which have had absolutely no impact on Gates personally.

By contrast, Gates' north node, in Sagittarius, leans heavily into his 6th house, of work. It is owned by Jupiter, in Leo, which is to say, as long as there is money, Bill can work. Bill Gates is said to be a workaholic, rarely taking time off. We would normally attribute that to Mars in the 6th, but here we have a mechanical, Rube-Goldberg construction across houses 4 and 5 which amounts to the same thing.

O what, you ask, is a Kubera? If Wiki let astrologers speak for themselves, you might have entire textbooks of astrology masquerading as Wiki pages, as, in fact, exist in virtually every other non-"pseudo" Wiki-endorsed subject. I really wish they treated astrology fairly, as the crossfire of Wiki as a definitive astrological reference would sell a lot more books than short-sighted suppression of the subject.

Look up Kubera on Wiki and you will simply learn he is the god of wealth and is sometimes reviled as such.

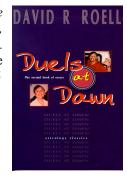
Ask an Indian-born astrologer of many years practice and you will learn that a kubera, along with a lakshimi, are terms given to children who make their parents rich. A kubera is a son who makes his family wealthy. A lakshmi is a daughter who does the same. India is, I think, the least spiritual place on earth. It is over-run with gods and goddesses and temples and pious holy men but in fact the people are grubby and greedy and, as a result, poor. This is harsh, but a land in which people die of starvation and disease, a land with basic and long-standing sanitation problems is not an equitable or fair or just place and a superior religion is sim-

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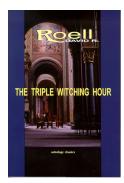
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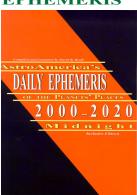
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N India, the clients an astrologer sees are tightly focused on the present and the practical. When they will get married. When they will get a job and have a career. When they will have children, and if those children will support them. Exact dates,

please! Everyone wants a kubera or a lakshmi to support them.

Bill III came from poor stock. Reading his father's Wiki page, we learn that Bill Jr. changed his name upon enlisting in the military in WWII, from III to Junior, to avoid charges of elitism. He was a teenager at the time. Subsequently Bill Jr. attended college thanks to the G.I. Bill. He graduated in 1949, not from Princeton or Harvard or Yale, as we would expect of a moderately rich man — a mere millionaire — but the University of Washington, located in Seattle. As Bill Jr. was born in Bremerton, WA, which is located on the other side of the Puget Sound from Seattle, his commute was short. Which means that Bill Gates III was his father's very own Kubera. Which is to say that in life you get what you wish for, if you are sincere and persistent, in this case, across three previous generations. Which is a lot of persistence.

That a son can dominate the father, even as a young child, is not unusual. My chart,

which has a powerful 3rd and 9th house polarity — which involves travel — compelled my father, who grew up on a farm, to move and move and move again, from the time of my birth until I left for college. In 20 years he moved at least two dozen times, and that with a large family behind him. In the 26 years of life remaining after I left home, he moved twice more, both in the first decade. I who hold that chart as my own, have as an adult moved ceaselessly. Bill Gates III, a kubera, made his father, Bill Gates Jr. rich before III was ten years old. Made his mother important (if not actually rich in her own right) too, as Gates' mother, who is shown by the 10th house, is ruled by Mars in the 4th, connecting her firmly to Gates' de facto money-making powerhouse.

Will there be a Bill Gates mark IV? Probably not. His only son, so far, has the name Rory John. Bill III has three children, which happens to be the number of planets he has in Scorpio in the 5th. One for each.