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*The South Florida Astrological Association
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RONNIE GALE DREYER

“Venus Cycles”

Thursday Meeting & Lecture

January 19, 2006

7 - 10 p.m.

\$15 for SFAA members,
\$20 for non-members

“Fundamentals of Vedic Astrology: Vedic Astrology Made Easy”

Saturday Workshop, January 21

10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

(lunch on your own, 12 - 1:30 p.m.)

\$40 for SFAA members, \$50 for non-members

Both events will take place at the
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Brenda Brush

Dear Friends,

Happy New Year! It is wonderful to put 2005 behind us and look forward to all new beginnings in 2006. We had a fabulous Christmas Party at Lynne and Bill Hyde's home. Susan and Jack Vega made the most delicious entrees. We all had a beautiful evening. If that is a sign of the upcoming year, then it will be a good one.

I guess what is on my mind now is Venus. Venus will retrograde from December 24, 2005, until February 3, 2006. Venus joins Chiron a few days before Christmas, Hanukkah and Kwanzaa. Then on the 24th, it goes retrograde while it is with Chiron. Now, you know Chiron has to do with wounds and healing, especially old wounds that can now be healed, or of which we need to let go. Could we expect that during the holidays old wounds could surface and have the opportunity to be healed?

Venus goes retrograde

in one degree of Aquarius. This sign is inventive; this sign breaks old molds; this sign helps us be objective and move beyond things. Venus then moves back into Capricorn, the sign of the authority, the boss, the parent, the system and structure. We need these, but we need these in the right way. Venus is carrying her message back through Capricorn to change or expose the parent or authority in us. Career opportunities could come from this. Looking at what you do in the world in a new way. Who are you, as an authority, in your own life? What do you believe you are worth? Do you feel validated?

Venus is the planet that rules Taurus as well as Libra. Where Taurus is in your chart you develop your value. You gather things that are a reflection of your tastes and values. Taurus is cash flow, self-esteem and resources. Mars has been stirring up our Taurus area since the end of July. It was retrograde in Taurus from October 1st 'til December 10th. It is still in Taurus. It won't leave until February 17th. Where Mars goes retrograde is where you have to be prepared to defend yourself. Does this mean we need to first know what we have, what we are worth and what is important to our well-being? Then we need to conserve, build and protect it. Mars retrograde is a little like an alarm bell ringing in that area of your chart.

So if Venus is doing a little dance with Chiron

from mid-December 'til mid-March, she is trying to gather all the tools and information necessary to bring you what you want. Will you be open to receiving when it arrives? What have you wished for? What are you wishing for? It very well could appear by mid-March. Think positively!

You realize Chiron is a hands-on kind of energy. It makes you earn what it is bringing. It is sitting with Venus, the ruler of Taurus. Taurus is what you are worth and what you need for survival. Taurus is also pleasure, savoring the moment, appreciating what you have, and creature comforts. Sometimes we have too little or too much. Sometimes we feel like it is impossible to get what we need. Sometimes we are too lazy to do what it takes to get it. Sometimes we are gluttons. Who are you?

Capricorn has to do with the system, the structure, the rules. We cannot live without that area of our chart working properly. Capricorn in the body rules the skeletal structure, teeth and bones. Venus is visiting the Capricorn area of your chart for 4 months. Venus first entered Capricorn around the 5th of November and will leave around the 5th of March. A long time for Venus to be in one sign. She is involving herself in our structure. We need to value and enjoy what we do. Capricorn is your career also. Venus is influencing you; she wants it to be nice. Make it nice.

Peace be with you.

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RONNIE GALE

DREYER

LECTURE

Thursday, January 19

7 p.m., registration & socializing

7:30 – 10 p.m., program

“VENUS CYCLES”

This very timely lecture will deal with the cycles of Venus: its transiting retrograde cycle, transition from Morning Star to Evening Star and back again, eight-year synodic cycle, and general progressions when Venus contacts other planets in your chart.

This will not be your typical Venus lecture about sweetness and light, or love and relationships. Get to know another side of Venus altogether, one that may indeed bring you the love of your life but may also bring you exactly the opposite. We will learn about the two faces of Venus as both love goddess and warrior goddess.

Learning about the transits of Venus, and especially its different manifestation as Morning and Evening Star, will teach you when the best time is to attack and when the best time is to retreat. We will also address the current Venus retrograde in depth.

Ronnie will introduce you to a fascinating topic that is applicable to all levels of astrology. Be forewarned though. You may never look at Venus in quite the same way again!

WORKSHOP

Saturday, January 21

10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

“FUNDAMENTALS OF VEDIC ASTROLOGY: VEDIC ASTROLOGY MADE EASY”

This workshop will introduce you to Jyotish, the science of light, more commonly known as Vedic Astrology. Ronnie has gained a worldwide reputation for making Vedic astrology accessible to all levels, and both knowledgeable and enjoyable, so that even those who have been reluctant to learn about it are in for a treat. For those who already know something, we will probably give you tips on how to view the Vedic perspective. We will learn as much as possible, within the time allowed, and apply some of the principles to the charts of attendees as well as well-known individuals.

Topics covered will be: Sidereal Zodiac vs. Tropical Zodiac, constructing the chart (planets, signs, houses, aspects), simple interpretive techniques, and an introduction to the Dasa System -- a unique Vedic

approach to forecasting through planetary periods. We will also discuss remedies for alleviating difficulties. Bring along your Vedic charts, and if you do not have one, bring along your western charts and we will show you how to convert it.



ABOUT OUR SPEAKER

Ronnie Gale Dreyer is an internationally known astrological consultant, lecturer and teacher based in New York City. She is the author of *Healing Signs, Vedic Astrology, Venus, Your Sun and Moon Guide to Love and Life*, and a contributor to the anthologies *Under One Sky* and *Astrology for Women*, as well as numerous magazines and journals.

Ronnie is considered a pioneer in bringing Vedic astrology (which she studied in India with a Sanskrit University professor) to the attention of western audiences. She teaches ongoing Vedic Astrology workshops, and is a frequent lecturer for groups and conferences throughout the world.

Ronnie holds a B.A., is NCGR Level IV certified, and is on the faculty of American College of Vedic

Astrology's online program. She edits NCGR's bimonthly newsletter, and was AFAN's secretary and Presiding Officer (1992-2003). Ronnie received the Jyotish Kovid, AFAN's Jim Lewis Community Service Award in 1998, and the Marion D. March 2002 Regulus Award for Community Service.

Her website address is www.ronniedreyer.com.

RONNIE WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR READINGS

While in South Florida, Ronnie will be available for readings on Thursday and Friday, January 19 & 20, and again on Sunday, January 22. Her fee is \$125 for one hour. All readings will be taped.

Please contact her as soon as possible for an appointment via e-mail, Ronnie@ronniedreyer.com, or by telephone, 212-799-9187. After January 18, Ronnie can be reached at 646-496-5697.

SFAA SPEAKERS

2006

February 16 & 18
Lynn Bell

March 16 & 18
Don Cerow

April 20 & 22
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May 18 & 20
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FULL MOON

By Alice Kashuba

A Tibetan monk enters a bustling office building.¹

The Dalai Lama has opened the door to a rich spiritual life of peace that can be applied to the practical daily activities of life. Our lives are full of comings and goings. The past Mars retrograde has made us all slow down and take a close look at our values in the house where Mars sits in our charts. The middle of January is a time to move away from the last year. Holiday celebrations have been put to bed; finances have been reviewed; new resolutions have been formulated.

The Full Moon occurs on January 14th in 24 Cancer 05 at 4:48 a.m. The Sun, representing our higher self or our ego in the 2nd house², says we need to focus on how we value ourselves and our possessions. In Capricorn we have to begin by respecting ourselves and be responsible for our thoughts, words and actions. The Moon in the 8th house -- where we relate to others and their resources -- tells us to be aware of emotional undercurrents that may reside within ourselves as well as our partner. In Cancer we need to connect with a healthy sense of self nurturing by breaking away from old patterns of behavior.

Venus conjuncts the Sun. Retrograde in the 2nd house in Capricorn, it supports and strengthens the need to focus on values. The image is *A queen resides in the highest tower of a castle made of snow and ice*. We can see that it is an image of someone in midwinter sequestered in a room. Snow and ice will melt as

Spring approaches.

The harbinger of Spring is seen first on January 15th at 4:28 a.m. when Mars opposes Jupiter at 15 Taurus/Scorpio 26. Mars in the 5th seeks to creatively express himself. In Taurus personal values and resources are combined to work towards a stable course of action. Jupiter in the 11th house looks for friends who share similar goals and visions in order to transform our lifestyle by focusing on New Year's resolutions. Mercury, applying to Venus, trines Mars and sextiles Jupiter to bring information to the situation. The question is: Do we impose our values on others or find a common ground?

Neptune is the apex of a T-square with Mars and Jupiter. On the 18th Mars and Neptune are square at 8:53 a.m. in 16 Taurus/Aquarius 35. Mars is in the 3rd house wanting to communicate his ideas and visions. Bil Tierney in [Dynamic Aspects](#) says that the resolution of a T-square begins with the apex planet.

In this case Neptune is in the 12th house focusing on addictions and daydreams that are buried deep within our consciousness. Aquarius offers the option of a new path based on spiritual values that we have connected with over the holidays. The Moon and Venus make an earth Grand Trine with Mars. The Moon's Fairchild Symbol is *A woman fasts, seeking solace through prayer and meditation*. The earth signs indicate an emphasis on bringing spiritual values down to earth in daily practical living.

The placement of the full Moon and the Mars squares during this four-day period will occupy different houses in your chart. Find their house positions in your chart, and you will be able to focus on the area in your life that needs attention.

¹ A modern version of the Sabian Symbols, the Fairchild Symbols were created by Alice Kashuba and an anonymous clairvoyant. For more information, visit Alice's website, www.astroviews.com.

² Charts are set up for Hollywood, Florida.



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