

# Astrology Edmonton

Official Newsletter of the Edmonton Astrological Society

## *F.Y.I. : A Musing President*

by David



### **Happy Easter!**

**Happy Nowruz** for those of you who celebrate the new year at equinox as Zoroaster did and the modern Iranians and many other peoples in that part of the world do.

You know, I've always been puzzled by our western christian tradition of celebrating the death/resurrection of the godhead at this season rather than at the solstice when the sun seems to die and then renew itself. Spring should be the birth time, in accord to nature, and solstice a time of resurrection. That is how the original Babylonian tradition had it. In olden times when the various god messengers were rising from the dead they mostly did so at Solstice. Of course history is written by the victors...

Well, asides aside, I think I spent enough time meandering on in Neptunian fashion in last month's Pisces newsletter so maybe I should use this Aries missive to inform you of some activity. How's that for a seguay?

Since our last newsletter the EAS executive met and adopted some proposed changes that we hope will reduce confusions, and streamline and reduce workloads. You'll see some evidence of this change right here in this newsletter. You'll note that the executive members contact information page is different. The contacts are all email-addresses @astrologyedmonton.com. **Con't pg. 4**

## **ROGERS: "Odds & Thoughts"** by Roger

Roger has been sending me tidbits from various News papers, (not in any particular sequence). I've chosen a few of these, wondering what **YOU** think might have been passing in the skies to even merit having them printed in the paper to start with.

**Politics** A New Brunswick politician has become a minor Internet sensation after trying to inject humour into the provincial legislature. Fredericton Liberal T.J. Burke was responding to broadcast comments made by Conservative Opposition Leader David Alward on government's plan to sell NB Power assets to Hydro Quebec. Burke said Alward's criticisms even took members of his own party by surprise and left the Tory leader with his "paints down". At that point, Burke started rapping "Pants on the ground, pants on the ground, looking like a fool with his pants on the ground." – a catchy ditty made popular by a contestant on American Idol. The video of Burke's rendition has been posted on the Internet and has become popular on sites such as showbiz focused TMZ.com.

### **Plea deals made in penis gluing WISCONSIN -**

Two women accused of seeking revenge on a cheating lover by gluing his penis to his stomach have reached plea deals. Theresa Ziemann, 48, pleaded no contest yesterday to reduced charges of disorderly conduct and misdemeanor battery. Her sister, 43-year old Michelle Belliveau, pleaded no contest to disorderly conduct.

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## April's Program: "Relocation Charts"

Our evening begins with *Roger* and "**Rogers' Corner**" ( a regular part of each of our meetings). Roger will be discussing "Cosmic forces in the News". **David** will be doing the "Astrology Decode section of the evening. Our **FEATURE PRESENTATION** is "**Relocation Charts**" by *Chris McRae*. This is sure to be a most informative evening.

## EAS Annual June Retreat



Well it's that time of year again when Spring is on the rise and thoughts of the Annual EAS Retreat once again comes to mind.

**When:** **June 11** (Fri.), **June 12** (Sat.) & **June 13** (Sun.), **2010**

**Where:** **Inge's Place** - #73-52112 Range Road 222, Ardrossan, AB.

\*\*\*For directions contact Inge at: 780-922-5771

\*\* For those of you who will be needing a bed or are bringing a tent or RV, **PLEASE** contact Inge ASAP. This is a first come, first serve arrangement.

\* **REMINDER; PotLuck/BYOB** , so contact Inge to let her know what you'll be bringing.

**What:** Our topics for this years' retreat will be:

**"Crash Course in Vocational Astrology" & "Flotsam and Jetsam, Evolution, and Rites of Passage".**

**Who:** **Donna VanToen** will be our guest speaker for this 3 day Event. She's prepared some extremely interesting topics for us to discuss and learn about.

Festivities will commence on the **Friday night** at 7:00 pm. This evening is for the soul purpose of getting to know one another, catching up, Fire Dancing, and just having a great time.

The Workshop part of the weekend begins on **Saturday** at 9:30 am. **Prompt. Sunday's** workshop will begin at 9:30 am **Prompt.**

Brochures will be available at the April meeting date.





## *Astrology Classes:*

**INTERNATIONALLY ACCLAIMED ASTROLOGER- CHRIS McRAE**, (isar.cap, ncgr.ca, pmafa)  
*Consultant, Teacher, Author, International Lecturer, Board Vice-President, International Society of Astrological Research Chair, ISAR Certification Program*

More information can be obtained by *contacting Chris* 780- 469-2974 or go to her website: [www.astrologychrismcrae.com](http://www.astrologychrismcrae.com)

### **ASTROLOGY II: BASIC CHART DELINEATION**

This is a very exciting seminar as the natal chart continues to unfold in more detail. We learn how to blend planets in signs, houses and aspects in a more synchronistic fashion. How do you act and react the way you do and how can you begin the path of self-awareness and effective change?

*Prerequisite:* An understanding of the basic meaning of symbols of the planets, signs, houses and aspects.

10 Thursdays, commencing **April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2010**

**Cost \$235.00**

### **ASTROLOGY III: PROGRESSIONS AND TRANSITS**

Life is not static. It is an ongoing developmental process. This semester moves the natal chart through time by Progressions and Transits to determine the dynamics affecting your life at any given time, particularly the present.

*Prerequisite:* Knowledge of natal chart basics.

10 Wednesday's, commencing **April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2010**

**Cost \$235.00**

## ***CHANGE OF DATE***

### **ASTROLOGY VII: HORARY AND ELECTIONAL ASTROLOGY**

This is the predictive or divination form of astrology based upon the premise that every action, once begun, has a predictable outcome. Ask a question and get an answer ... shall I take this job? Shall I make this investment? Shall I buy this property? ... etc. Electional Astrology is choosing the propitious time to begin an event like opening a business, getting married, starting a conference, etc.

8 Lessons, commencing **April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2010**

## **WORKSHOPS & CLASSES** with Lesley Francis Intuitive Guide/Astrologer/Writer

### **Find Your Passion**

Originally scheduled for November (postponed due to H1N1), this workshop is intended to help you find that deeper well of energy -- passion is an energy not just a feeling -- that can revitalize your life and show you new paths.

**Wednesday, March 31** 7 to 9 p.m. **cost \$35.00**

All workshops take place at the Center, 10650-113th St. Please call me if you have any questions, 780-920-4169.

### **CREATE YOUR OWN INTUITION CARDS**

Take a huge dollop of fun and mix it in with a journey to explore the signs and symbols that are meaningful to you. The result? A deck of cards that resonates to your own personal rhythm and further illuminates who you are. You will be able to use this deck to answer questions, to offer insight and guidance, to provide a tool for meditation, and to create a connection to your inner self.

**Apr 7, 14, 28 and May 5** Investment: **\$150 (plus GST).**

The cost of materials is extra (this could run from \$15 to 50 depending on your creative preferences).

## *A Musing President :* Con't

You see for years our newsletter editor has been making two versions of the newsletter each month. One for internal use and one for public use that had personal info stripped from it. As well, each year, the webmistress has been removing passwords from old newsletters posted online *but also having to edit each one to remove all personal info to protect privacy.* A simple change has removed this additional work from both directors and still left you our membership with easy contact info. Also, as the persons filling the positions change from year to year there is no need to change this contact info.

Work load sharing has also been incorporated. Our newsletter person has, for the past few years been getting the newsletter together, then passing it to the webmistress to post on the web, then once that is done and she knows it's posted she has emailed, you the membership that the newsletter is ready to be downloaded from the web.... but first she has to make sure that she has the most up to date membership list... and any guests to our last meeting from the membership director who of course has the most current info. Sounds complicated? *It often led to minor bits of confusion.*

Instead, now, our newsletter editor can focus on getting the newsletter done... and only needs one version. She passes it to the webmistress to post on line. When that's done the webmistress tells membership director who can then email all to pick it up.

In most organizations the membership director is there to interact with the membership, and our current serving director, Mary-Anne has approached this post with some spring-fresh ideas. She has proposed a welcome letter to new members, has suggested new membership cards, has inaugurated a simplified sign in sheet at meetings and is keenly interested in how we embrace new members approach prospective members.

Val, our Librarian has pulled a small group of volunteers under her wing to continue **project library.** As I've mentioned before this is a longish term job and Val has expressed great dreams for its future. But we're in Aries so starting steps are all that we should expect for now.

By having to chase down less post-production details our Newsletter editor, Josey, may now be freer to do occasional special projects and utilize her vast artistic talent for brochures and other currently unforeseen potentials. More importantly she may be freer to call upon **you** and I to contribute our two cents worth. EAS was founded as a place and forum for people **at all levels of astrological acumen** to share their insights and knowledge with each other. Your insights need not be book length or even profound, necessarily. What gets most of us as astrologers is the **awe** that comes from recognizing these patterns and forces in the everyday. I'd be sincerely interested in any little thoughts you have in that direction.

As president I am fortunate to have these three Taurus women on the executive this year. All have strong, valuable views on how things should be done (what Taurus doesn't) but all need our help to accomplish their best. I hope (see last month) and trust (maybe next month) that you agree with me.

Yours In Service,  
David

## Astro Forecast: "Aries" written by Inge Lohse

March 21 to April 19



A cardinal fire sign of positive polarity ruled by Mars. Key Phrase: **'I am'**

The Sun in Aries heralds new beginnings, and starts new cycles. This is your first clue that spring is in the air. Aries is represented by the ram, who forges full steam ahead with the winds of courage at his back. Arians are friendly in a very forthright, direct manner. They greet you with a firm handclasp and an instant smile. You will rarely get to be group activity leader when there is an Aries in the group. The sun becomes very competitive in Aries. Energetic, enthusiastic and enterprising, Aries are never satisfied to watch, they need to be physically involved, at the beginning, preferably.

### Forecast 2010 to 2011

Pluto took up permanent residency in the sign of Capricorn in November 2008 and will stay until 2024. This is a square to your Aries Sun. A square is about conflict arising from different points of view. This aspect will take you to places filled with obstacles. Aries loves a challenge. Aries people need to explore what life has to offer. That is why they go out of their way to look for the unbeaten path, so they can meet new people and have new experiences.

Uranus, the planet of surprises, entered the sign of Pisces in 2003, right next door to you. So, how are you getting along with your neighbours. You should be well acquainted by now -- or -- not! Either way, you have noticed the constant changes in the world around you. Your radar should be on full alert and you should be prepared for all eventualities. Uranus makes a brief appearance into the sign of Aries from March 2010 until August 2010. This will give you a preview of the next seven years when Uranus takes up permanent residence in the sign of Aries in March 2011.

Sensitive Neptune, is sextiling your Aries Sun from the sign of Aquarius, bringing out your creative side. Neptune entered Aquarius in the spring of 1998 and will stay until 2012. Opportunities just keep knocking at your door. Decisions! Decisions!

Practical Saturn entered the sign of Libra in October 2009, then moves back to Virgo in April 2010. Saturn takes up permanent residence in Libra in July 2010. Saturn in Libra will oppose your Aries Sun until October 2012. Saturn puts up road blocks and speed limits. Mars ruled Aries forges full speed ahead. You had best be looking for the brake pedal, as you are heading straight into a barricade. Saturn opposing the Sun brings low vitality and a period of adversity. This is a time for you to take control and focus on what you want to accomplish in the future. This transit often breaks the bonds of restrictions. This is a period of endings, which will be followed by new beginnings. A Saturn transit teaches us to handle limitations, organize what's important and build a solid foundation for the future. Saturn takes about 28 years to travel the big circle. Saturn was conjunct your Sun 14 years ago, and at that time you set out to show the world what you could do. What you have done since then, will now become the structure of a new cycle.

Optimistic Jupiter entered the sign of Pisces in January 2010. First and foremost, Aries is about getting the job done quickly. Jupiter is about vision, seeing the big picture, and Pisces is about artistic endeavours. This is quite a combination: artistic creativity, with the ability to set things in motion, so that you can get the results you want. This aspect brings many opportunities for spiritual growth. Stay alert, you don't want to miss anything.

In Summary; the next couple of years will test your stamina as never before. Pluto in Capricorn square your Sun - Saturn in Libra opposing your Sun and Uranus entering your sun sign. This is a T-Square, a major configuration that brings conflict, tension and stress on the one hand and challenges you to find creative solutions on the other hand. Hang on tight - stormy weather ahead -- but -- (there is always a but) -- keep in mind the universe only dishes out what we can handle.

## *F.Y.I. Astrologically Speaking - Information Corner*

As you may or may not know, there are many Astrological Societies & magazines out there. This page is dedicated to informing our members about "What's Hot & Happening in the Astrological World". We welcome suggestions and any information you may come across that you'd like to see added to this section.



**Midwest Astrology Conference (MAC)– CLEVELAND, OHIO**

**April 30 - May 2, 2010**

For more information go to their website at: [www.macastrlogy.tripod.com](http://www.macastrlogy.tripod.com)



**The Northwest Astrological Conference (NORWAC)– SEATTLE, Wash.**

**May 22 - 25, 2010**

[www.astrologyetal.com/NORWAC/index.htm](http://www.astrologyetal.com/NORWAC/index.htm)



**HEAVEN ON EARTH CONFERENCE – “Conversations with Astrology”**

**June 13 - 19, 2010**

**United Kingdom**

[www.heavenandearthworkshops.com](http://www.heavenandearthworkshops.com)



**The National Council for Geocosmic Research, Inc.,**

[www.geocosmic.org](http://www.geocosmic.org)



**CAAE - The Canadian Association for Astrological Studies**

[www.thecae.com](http://www.thecae.com)



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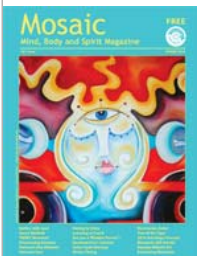
[www.astrologyguild.com](http://www.astrologyguild.com)

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## What's coming up ...

- April 9, 2009 **Meeting** of the EAS at Condor Machinery (2nd floor) at 7:30 pm.
- April 22, 2009 **Deadline** for the *May Newsletter*. Please send any articles or information to Joesy.
- May 14, 2010 **Next Meeting** of the EAS at Condor Machinery (2nd floor) at 7:30 pm.
- June 11,12 &13th **JUNE RETREAT** commences on the Fri. At 7:00 pm



## MAY'S PROGRAM

Roger's Corner:  
**"Cosmic Forces in the News"**

Astrology Decoded: by Inge Lohse

Main Event: Presented by  
**Leslie Francis**  
**"The Not So Trans-personal  
 Outer Planets"**



## Membership Information:

The EAS welcomes all like minded Astrologers and Astrology Students to become a member and enjoy the fellowship. Our year is from Nov. to Oct. excluding July & August.

### **EAS MEMBERSHIP INCLUDES:**

- Attendance at all monthly meetings
- Reduced fees at events hosted by the EAS
- Voting privileges
- Access to EAS library books, tapes and archives
- EAS monthly Newsletter 10 issues per year.

(Members only can serve on the Executive committee)

**Membership Fee: \$35.00 per year** with password sent to you to download the EAS monthly Newsletter from the website: [www.astrologyedmonton.com](http://www.astrologyedmonton.com)

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The EAS was founded 32 years ago on: **Dec. 10th., 1977** in Edmonton, AB. at **1:58 PM MST**

The prime directive of the Society is to create an environment to practice, grow, and share Astrological information & philosophies with Astrologers and students alike.