Writing this Annual Cures Newsletter each year has become a labor of love, growing out of my own desire to know what to do, how to do it, and how best to assist my students and clients. Each year I read and compare several reports provided by other practitioners from around the world. Some are quite basic and others are wonderfully rich in history and in the metaphysical underpinnings that, for me, give meaning to why we do, what we do.

All master practitioners emphasize that first and foremost a home or office must have good feng shui. Though placing Annual Cures will bring some short term results, there will be little long term benefits if the home or office is a feng shui disaster. You should also be aware that Annual Cures will not effect everyone the same.

There are a lot of variables to consider, primarily your innate constitution for handling health stressors, your karma with money that enable you to handle what could be financially challenging times, your relationship harmony based on how well you have resolved your relationship issues, and so forth. Good feng shui won't make someone of low IQ a genius, but good feng shui will increase every student's ability proportionate to their capability.

Predictions can be made to what will generally effect the populace at large, but what kind of a year you will have is unique to you and can be examined based on your birth information. This is something I have been doing for 35 years with Western Astrology. Others trained in Vedic Astrology, Four Pillars of Destiny, and other systems of analysis can also describe your future trends. As all systems are glimpses into the holographic whole, the guidance and insights should be similar in accordance to the skill of the reader.

When I do Future Forecasts, I think of it as similar to a Road Map indicating road conditions. If there is a 'bumpy' stretch ahead, it is best to slow down to avoid 'bottoming out' and putting a hole in our gas tank; or when conditions are favorable, we can put 'pedal to the metal' and zoom effortless and undeterred along our merry way. The concept is: forewarned is forearmed. Ideally, this should enable you to go with the flow as a co-creator of your destiny, instead of bouncing along totally unaware and out of control.

Solar and Lunar Calendars

Many countries in the Orient use two calendars. The Lunar Calendar is used for ceremonial purposes and, in the Stems and Branches 60-year calendar system, determines the Animal (Branch) and Element (Stem) of the year. It is this Lunar New Year which you are all familiar with from place mats at your favorite Chinese restaurant. This calendar begins on the second New Moon after the Winter Solstice, which this year falls on January 31. And then there is the Solar Calendar.

It is the Solar Calendar which is used in Xuan Kong (Time-Space) Feng Shui, especially when using the Flying Star (Fe Xing) method, that determines the important feng shui adjustments that are needed as the earth's magnetic field shifts at the beginning of each Spring.

The Chinese Solar New Year begins in the Orient on Feb. 3 or 4. It is this day that is considered the beginning of Spring, as it is about mid-point between the Winter Solstice and the Spring Equinox.

2014 – Year of Yang Green Wood Horse – Jia Wu

Horse Year people are energetic, charming, good leaders, more cunning than clever, and prone to flamboyance.

As the seventh animal sign in the Chinese 12-Sign system, Horses are...
temperamental, romantic and proud. As this is a Wood year, the Wood Element will do much to enhance the productivity, adventure and determination of the Horse, while those prone to impulsive decision making need to read the fine print and tread softly.

Tradition says, Horse Years inspire people to be more romantic, to travel and be willing to take risks with a strong need to express their independence with a tendency to rebel against feeling constrained in anyway.

Animal Signs favored this year are the Tiger and the Dog. Unfortunately, Horses do not get along well with Rat, Rabbit or Ox (Ox born Barack Obama is likely to experience a more frustrating year). If you were born in an Animal Signs that conflicts with the Horse, it is recommended that you wear a protective amulet of either your Animal Sign friend, or one featuring a Pi Yao charm on a necklace, key chain, or hanging from your rearview mirror. Pi Yaos make great protectors, as they are loyal and will sacrifice themselves to protect the well-being of their owner.

In making Horse Year predictions consider the Horse is Yang Wood (Branch) over year element Fire (Stem). Unlike 2013, a Yang Water year bringing heavy rains, floods, and other water related disasters, with Yang Wood over Fire, fire disasters, explosions and air and sea accidents are likely, especially in the Southern Hemisphere. With Wood on top representing government and those in authority, Fire below can be a force to contend with if those governed get angry and upset.

Xuan Kong Feng Shui - 2014 Annual Number 4

There are many approaches to feng shui. The first and most important is evaluation of the Landforms and Qi Flow to, through, and around a location. This, in fact, is the subject of my book, Feng Shui Secrets: Improving Health, Wealth & Relationship Harmony (3rd revised edition previously titled: Choose the Best House for You: The Feng Shui Checklist).

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\text{Jade: Wood} & \text{White: Earth} & \text{White: Water} \\
\text{Black: Earth} & \text{Green: Wood} & \text{White: Metal} \\
\text{Red: Metal} & \text{Purple: Fire} & \text{Yellow: Earth} \\
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Many of you are familiar with the Bagua as a method of 'mapping' the home or office by designating certain areas as being a focal point for Abundance, Relationship, Career, and so forth – what is often referred to as the Eight Aspirations. In this system we place various items that symbolize these aspirations.

A more traditional approach uses a compass to determine the magnetic field of a location as seen in cycles of 20-Year Periods. There are nine periods equaling 180 years. Since Feb. 5, 2004 until 2024, we are now in Period 8.

Within each of these 20-Year Periods, each year is also governed by an energetic pattern referred to as the Annual Number. The Annual Number for 2014 is #4. The #4 determines how the other numbers, representing various Elemental types of energy, or Qi, 'fly' according to the energetic sequence described by the Lo Shu Magic Square (above). It is these numbers, representing the Five Elements (Wu Xing) that determines which areas of the house may or may not be enjoying good fortune.

Maintaining Balance

Consider if you were to weigh something on a balance scale with one side being heavier than the other. You add a little counterbalance to one side or another and eventually bring the scale to equilibrium. Or like a shower faucet, if the water flow is too hot, add a little cold until it is just right.

Five-Element Theory – Wu Xing

- The Five Elements are not 'things' as much as processes, e.g. Wood is the process of growth – too much Wood Element, may be a business that has problems as a result of 'growing to fast'.
- Realize the numbers in the Lo Shu (to the right) are essentially a code for the Five Elements and their attributes such as: compass direction, body parts, personality types, kinds of career, seasons (colors), and so forth. The code is:

**2014 Lo Shu – Annual 4**

- 1 – Water
- 2-5-8 – Earth
- 3-4 – Wood
- 6-7 – Metal
- 9 – Fire

Water: dark colors, amorphous shapes, detailed patterns, water features, images of water.
Wood: green, columnar, stripes, items made of wood.
Metal: grey, white, metallic tones, circles and domes, items made of metal.
Earth: beige, earth tones, square, solids, items made of earth.
Fire: vibrant colors, triangles, candles, bright lights, lead-glass crystals.
Now comes the Annual Elements with some bringing positive, and others bringing negative, influences. In some cases the balance is unaffected, and in some the balance is tilted radically askew.

It is this need to maintain equilibrium that dictates which remedies to apply to rebalance the negative ‘tilt’, and which enhancers should be considered to maximize the auspicious potentials.

By analyzing where these energies fall, using the Creative, Reductive, or Controlling Cycles according to Five-Element Theory, we can neutralize the negative energies and enhance the positive ones. Below is a description of what to do.

NOTE: As feng shui was developed by the Chinese over thousands of year, many of the solutions have Asian themes. However, you may substitute other items that you feel will achieve the same results.

It should also be understood that as feng shui has traveled from China to many new locales, different practitioners have developed differing methodologies to achieve harmonious results. Having learned their methods in some isolation from other practitioners, some feng shui experts may sound authoritarian about ‘how it should be done.’ Remember, no one gets 100% good feng shui, probably because no one system has all the answers.

Consequently, we in the west have a wonderful opportunity to hear what all teachers have to say, and to choose what we experience as working best for us. Try to be flexible during your learning process, do what resonates with your sensibilities, and do not follow any one method blindly. Most important, observe the results and modify accordingly.

**Empower Your Cures and Enhancements**

I am sure many of you reading this are already quite evolved in your own spiritual cultivation and maturity, and are quite capable to bless and energize your cures and enhancements by either placing on your home alter, or silently tuning in and seeing all items energized.

You can also energize each item by holding the item in the palm of one hand with the palm of your dominant hand over the item. Tune in, recite a prayer or blessing to “program” the item to fulfill its purpose – as they say, to “Anchor your Intention.” Wait until you feel the item enliven with the transference of Qi, then respectfully place it in the new location.

**Cleanse or Dispose of Old Cures**

Before the beginning of the Solar New Year on Feb. 4, cleanse all cures, such as Wu Lus (gourds), Pi Yaos (dragon-headed four-leggeds), Wind Chimes, and many of the other cures used the previous year. There are some practitioners who suggest all cures used the previous year should be disposed of, while others feel this is a bit extreme. Almost all practitioners agree, however, that it is best to completely dispose of Bagua Mirrors and Salt Water Cures (described below) as they are full of negative energy.

Some authorities suggest previous year cures should be cleansed by leaving them exposed to the Full Moon over night, others place them in direct sunlight for at least four hours. Some say you should sprinkle the previous year’s cures with Sea Salt. Cleanse according to your tradition.

**Installing Cures**

Once items are cleansed, they should be put in their new positions by Feb. 4. Some people put their cures into place before Feb. 4, but *anytime during the year is better than not at all*. Once cures are in place, it is said that it takes about a month for them to absorb any negative energy being generated by the negative numbers and to enjoy the benefits of the enhancements put into place to enhance the positive numbers.

But whatever you do, don’t worry if your bed, front door, or office are in those areas considered “afflicted” this year. By placing your feng shui cures and enhancements in the right Sectors, you will bring balance to your home or office, so you can continue to enjoy good health, great prosperity, and relationship harmony.

However, if after placing the Annual Cures you begin to experience difficulties regarding finances, health, relationships, or any other area of life, remove, readjust, or add additional cures according to the suggested placement, and then observe again. Flying Star cures for the house are done once. Annual Cures are for short term results and might need adjusting.

Note: Consulting with a professional feng shui practitioner may be beneficial to evaluate the outside Landforms and the
Flying Star number combinations which were in effect when the home or business was built. If you would like to learn how to do a Flying Star analysis, my Tutorial for Using the Master Formula Study Guides, along with my three laminated Study Guides, will explain each formula needed, and how to interpret the results (see p. 15).

Work With Your Floor Plan and Use an Accurate Compass

As you read through the following recommendations, it may be easier to do so with an accurate floor plan of your home or office in front of you. You can divide the floor plan using the traditional 9-Box Grid method or the 8-Spoked Wheel method (as seen to the right) preferred by many modern masters. (See page 14 on how to place the compass directions on a floor plan using my perforated See-thru 8-Spoked Wheel Tracing Compass.) Whether using the Grid or Pie method, mark each sector with the appropriate compass direction, and then fill in the recommendations.

If you do not own a traditional lou pan (feng shui compass), any good compass will do that has ALL 360º clearly indicated. (Avoid compasses with degrees in 2º or 5º increments).

The illustration above uses the 8-Spoked Wheel method, and is an example you might want to follow. This will assist you in making your shopping list. Then, when you gather your remedies, you will have a clear reminder as to where the cures and enhancers should be placed, and where to find them again at the end of the year before you move them the following year to their new locations.

You can also divide a specific room or large space, such as your office or warehouse, and place remedies in the appropriate compass directions.

Note: Cures listed are suggested choices. Use one or more. If you use one with no apparent result, add another. Cures can be put in the appropriate compass direction of the house, and or in the corresponding corner of any room, especially in one’s office.

Feng Shui Cures and Enhancements for 2014

First, we will look at the inauspicious Stars which require cures to neutralize their potentially negative influences and which, if possible, you do not want to disturb with activity. If you can use another room, it is advised. If you need to use any of these areas, don’t worry! Just be sure to put the suggested cures into place and observe results, making appropriate adjustments as needed.

K’un – 2 Black Earth in the East “Star of Illness”

The first difficult number (Element) that needs reducing is the 2 Black Earth which this year is found in East sector of the house. The #2 makes this an area of potential illness (especially stomach ailments), and misfortune in 2014. So take extra care to neutralize the #2’s potentially malicious influence.

As with 5 Yellow mentioned next, it is best if you do not have to use this area of the home. If you do have to use this area, be sure to use the cures listed below to neutralize their negative influences. If you are lucky to have a bathroom, utility room, or lesser used room in the East no cure is needed.

Wu Wang – 5 Yellow Earth in NW “Star of Misfortune”

With Annual Star 5 in the NW this year, 5 Yellow (Wu Wang), considered malicious as it is not associated with a gender or trigram, is somewhat drained by Metal Element associated with the NW. If possible, do not use any room in the NW. If there is a bed or desk in this sector of the home or room, consider if you can move the bed or desk to a better sector.

The following cures are recommended to protect prosperity, relationships and health: A 6-Tube Wind Chime or a Pendulum Clock (with a metal pendulum)
is placed wherever the 5 Yellow is found, as ‘moving’ Metal reduces the negative effects of the 5 Yellow Earth. You can also place a brass Five Element Pagoda in this area filled with earth taken from near the home or office to lock the negative Earth energy up. Also place round, coin-shaped objects.

Other additional cures also recommended for controlling the negative influences of both 5 Yellow Earth and 2 Black Earth are as follows:

**Cures for 2 Black and 5 Yellow:**
- In both the East and NW, put 6-Coins tied together with a red cord to weaken #2 and #5 and to protect wealth, especially if this is the front door. A Solid Brass Ingot, Brass Dragons, or a metal statue of Kuan Kung (Wealth God), can also be placed in either East and NW, to protect prosperity.
- If the #2 or #5 is in a bedroom, a small heavy Brass Wu Lu can also be placed next to the bed. The Wu Lu’s nickname is ‘the Giver of Life.’
- Many practitioners feel the Salt Water Cure is the most effective cure for #2 and #5. Some practitioners use an open bucket while others suggest a 12 to 16 oz. urn with a perforated covering. Which ever you choose, fill it 2/3 with rock salt and place 6 copper coins - traditional Chinese coins with heads facing up, and a silver coin (optional) on top (real copper and silver, not alloys). Then fill the urn with water. Though a Salt Water Cure for the home’s Flying Star birth chart can be covered with gauze or plastic wrap secured with rubber band or twine, and with holes large enough to allow the urn or bucket to “breathe” and yet not evaporate too rapidly, it is best to leave Salt Water Cures used for Annual #2 and #5 uncovered, so it can absorb as much negativity as possible. Though this Cure can be placed out of view, DO NOT put in cupboard. Be sure to place a mat beneath to protect your furniture from the salt encrustation that builds around the outside of the urn. At the end of the year this cure, urn, salt, coins and water should be disposed of by placing the old materials in a sack and dumping them in the trash. New materials should always be obtained for the current year’s use. Remember, one Salt Water Cure in the East and the other in the NW.
- If the front door is in either the East or NW, a Bagua Mirror should be hung outside above the door to deflect the incoming Sha (“killing”) Qi. Other objects of metal, especially round in shape or metallic colors, should be placed inside near the front door. Oil the hinges and avoid slamming the door.
- As the Fire Element enhances Earth, avoid using bright lights, red colors, burning candles, or playing loud music. If there are already red colors in this area, you can leave them, but add more Metal images or objects to maintain balance.
- If you have to work around the outside of the home in either the East and NW, hang a 6-Tube Wind Chime between that area and the house. If you are working on a larger area that includes the East and NW, do not be concern as long as the East and NW, is not the focal point.
- Use Metal Singing Bowls or Tibetan Tingsha (cymbals) once in awhile to disperse the negative energy of the 2 and 5.

### Zhen – 3 Jade Wood in the SE “Star of Arguments”

Though the #3 is not a timely number, it is said to be usable in Period 8. Even so, it is still wise to be cautious, as #3 is not inherently a fortunate energy and can bring short tempers, arguments, legal problems, divorce, and so forth. As with any negative influence, minimize use of this area and postpone remodeling.

Avoid placing any objects made of metal in this area as Metal destroys Wood. Avoid adding water or watery colors or symbols, as Water nourishes Wood. In fact, it is advisable to remove water features that may have been placed there in previous years.

It is best to reduced #3 Wood Element using the Fire Element, as Fire “consumes” Wood. So burn candles, use bright lights, hang a lead-glass Crystal Sphere, place accessories that are red, like Red Tassels, lamp shades, objects that are triangle-shaped or even a red piece of paper. A Red Kuan Yin, representing peace and compassion, or a Red Laughing (Ho Tai) Buddha can be used to transform the negative Qi of 3 Jade Wood.

You can also put your 12-Coin Ball tied with a Red Ribbon in the SE to guard against financial lost. If the SE is the direction of your front door, hang a new Bagua Mirror over the door to deflect any negative incoming energy.
**Dui – 7 Red Metal in the NE**

“Star of Robbery”

The #7 was consider fortunate when it was the previous Reigning Period Star from 1984 to 2004. Since Period 8 began, Feb. 4, 2004, the #7 has declined in influence, becoming a negative influence representing violence and robbery.

If the 7 Star is in the kitchen, there needs to be caution against fires. So check smoke alarms and home fire extinguishers. If you have an office in the NE consider moving it, or be extra careful to double check all legal agreements.

If your front door is located in the NE, be sure locks and security systems are working properly. You may want to put a new Bagua Mirror over the door. If your front door mat is red, you may want to replace it with one that is blue or other dark color. If you have a wind chime, it might be a good idea to remove it until Feb. 4, 2014.

To avoid Metal 7 danger Do Not add things made of Metal or Earth, as both Metal and Earth nourish the negative Metal energy of #7. Blue and dark colored accessories, along with a bowl of clean still water with six coins or three pieces of “lucky bamboo” can be a calming influence to #7. My favorite is a Blue Rhinoceros figurine in the area of #7 Red Metal.

Do Not, however, put a water feature with a water pump in the bedroom, (or any room that is located in the NE of the house, see page 9).

Next, we will look at this year’s fortunate Stars which you want to activate in order to tap their potentially positive influences.

**K’an – 1 White Water in SW**

“Star of Relationship”

This year the position of #1 Star is situated in the SW of the home. As SW is associated with the element of Earth, placing Metal remedies in this sector will drain the Earth while boosting Water for prosperity and professional good fortune.

Then, to hold onto the money that comes in some authorities recommend a Bejeweled Dragon-headed Tortoise. Actually, any money enhancers should do the job: such as the 12-Coin Ball with a red tassel, a Brass Ingot, and anything

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**Sixty Tai Sui**

One of my most interesting new discoveries a couple of years ago was learning there are 60 Tai Sui with one Tai Sui who is in charge of all the others. This Tai Sui goes by the name Yin Jiao, who was the son of the evil King Zhou of the Shang Dynasty. Yin Jiao is usually depicted with three heads and six arms.

According to the Chinese calendar, each year is a combination of an Animal Sign and an Element, called Stems and Branches – 2014 is the Year of Jai Wu, the Yang Wood (Stem) Horse (Fire Branch). As there are 12-Animal Signs and 5-Elements, it takes 60 years for the cycle to repeat with each year assigned a different Commander, or Lord of the Year, known in Chinese as Tai Sui, or in English, the Grand Duke Jupiter, each with their own characteristics, temperaments and abilities.

As Jupiter takes approximately a year to travel 30º and 12 years to complete one orbit around the Sun, it is the key to understanding everything from 12 Animal Signs, the 12 Double Hours of the day (9am to 11am is Horse hour), and the overall structure of the traditional Farmers’ (commonly referred to as the Hsia or in modern Chinese as the Xia), Calendar (12 Animals x 5 Elements = 60 years x 3 Grand Cycles is a complete 180 year cycle, or nine twenty-year Periods (in Chinese called Yun). We are now in Period 8 – 2004 to 2024.

As the Jade Emperor is the Ruler of Heaven, the year Tai Sui is the Ruler of Earth. Tai Sui is always located in the same compass direction as the Year Animal Sign, which this year is S2 the sign of the adventurous and cunning Horse, making the Tai Sui of 2014, Great General Zhang Ci, known for his compassion and depicted with a stringed instrument on his lap, indicating intelligence and wise decision making with the world being more peaceful, tolerant and abundant. Put the proper Remedies and Enhancements in place, and enjoy a successful year enjoying the results of your labor.

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these items, or add additional dark, watery colors, and amorphous shapes to nourish 4 Green Wood, in the compass direction it is visiting.

Placing a Crystal Globe on a desk favors travel, a Seven-Tier Glass Pagoda, an Abacus, and or a Calligraphy Pen Set is excellent to benefit academic achievement as well as the creative professions. A Gem Tree with Blue or Amethyst Stones, a Green Jade Pagoda, or single quartz points can all energize #4 Wood.

Qian – 6 White Metal in West “Star of Heaven”

The sector with #6 is usually considered to be excellent for wealth and career success. Activate with fresh flowers and spending time in this area of the home.

Though you can strengthen the #6 with things made of metal such as a Dragon-headed Turtle with a coin in its mouth, metal Dragons, or other metallic wealth images, you can also energize #6 with a lead-glass Crystal Sphere, or real Quartz Sphere or Geod. One or six Hollow Gold Ingots can be placed in the West to enhance #6 (light weight, non-metallic and gold color), 6 coins in a bowl of clear water, or a non-metallic Gold Buddha.

Do not burn candles, and avoid adding anything with the color of red or that is triangular shaped, as the Fire Element destroys Metal.

If the West is a bedroom, tone down #6 Metal with blue colored items, or with images of relationship harmony, such as depictions of two Mandarin Ducks or a Dragon and Phoenix.

Gen – 8 White Earth in South “Star of Wealth”

The #8 is most fortunate as it is the Reigning Star until Feb. 2024. This will bring great good fortune and career recognition, especially if your office or other frequently used room is located in the South of the home. If your front door is in the South, or if it is not a frequently used room, energize this sector with something that moves, like a kinetic sculpture, CD player, oscillating fan, or chiming clock. As always, keep the entrance way clean and clutter free.

However, with #8 Earth is supported by the Fire South of the house, any additional enhancements should add an extra boost to finances and harmonious relationships such as a Wood Wu Lu Dragon and Phoenix.
tied with a red ribbon or specific Fire Element items such as a Cinnabar Egg or Red Laughing (Ho Tai) Buddha.

Coin Swords, 8-Coins on a red string with a tassel, and so forth will stimulate the 8 White Earth to bring financial good fortune. Traditionally, a prosperity symbol like a red Wealth God, 3-Legged Toad or Dragon-headed Tortoise with a coin in its mouth is placed in the sector occupied by the Wealth Star 8. Use one or more.

Using Eight Mansion Feng Shui, you can also place any prosperity symbol such as a real Quartz Crystal Sphere, Wealth Vase, Treasure Ship, or semi-precious stones, such as a Citrine Gem Tree in the Sheng Chi direction of your Life Gua (see my Master Formula Study Guide #1, see p. 15).

However, the very best wealth energizer is activity. Open windows and let fresh air in. Most important of all, every time you walk through a door or room in this area, think: ka ching!

If your bedroom is in the South, romance images such as a Dragon and Phoenix figurine, two Rose Quartz Hearts, or a pair of Mandarin Ducks will be beneficial for attracting a relationship and for maintaining relationship harmony.

Avoid using items made of metal (other than metal coins), as the Metal Element drains the Earth aspect of Wealth Star 8.

However, caution is also needed in this sector this year as the 8 White in the South shares this location with the 15º of Tai Sui, also called the Grand Duke Jupiter.

Grand Duke Jupiter (Tai Sui) in S2

Unfortunately, the #8 shares a 15º portion of its 45º sector of the South with Tai Sui, also known as Grand Duke Jupiter. Remember, never face the Grand Duke or disturb this area with digging, remodeling, or even hammering a nail into a wall to hang a picture. (More on Tai Sui page 6). If you need to mow a lawn or do some construction that includes the South, begin the project or mowing to either side of the S2 sector.

If your desk faces this direction, you may want to consider shifting it slightly to avoid the 15º S2 sector occupied by the Grand Duke, which this year is 172.5º to 187.5º. If you can not change your desk or other frequently used standing or sitting direction, for protection place a Pi Yao or at least a Dragon headed Tortoise on the desk, or somewhere in front of you, facing the direction of Tai Sui. Best of all is to sit with your back to the Grand Duke, and use this energy to support you in all your endeavors such as in negotiating which weakens whoever is opposite you as they will be unwittingly confronting Tai Sui.

Do not put wind chimes, a fan, or any appliances that make noise in this sector this year, which can be difficult if this is your kitchen or TV viewing room. If that is the case, try to position yourself with the Grand Duke behind you, and be sure to place a Pi Yao (mythical animal with a dragon-head, horse body, with one or two horns, little wings, and hooves, or any fierce looking animal such as a rhinoceros) in the North sector of the house or a room facing the South for protection. Perhaps carry a Pi Yao Charm (the Grand Duke’s favorite pet) in your pocket, or some other Protection Amulet in accordance to your spiritual belief.

Some authorities recommend a pair of Pi Yao be used in order to adequately control Tai Sui. Whether one or two Pi Yao, plain or bejeweled, pay attention the first few weeks to see if they are truly protecting you, especially financially.

Li – 9 Purple Fire in the North “Star of Future Prosperity”

The 9 Purple Star is the “rising star” of Period 8 and, after 2024, represents the future prosperity and success of your business or career, and is called the Star of Future Prosperity. It is also referred to as the Multiplying Star, as it makes more of whatever it comes in contact with.

The #9 in the North makes this a good area of the house for study or for a bedroom. If a bedroom, placing a Wood Kuan Yin statue here will enhances relationship harmony. It is also recommended to place healthy green plants, fresh flowers, or any other symbols of yin-yang harmony to empower relation-
ships, as Wood nourishes Fire.

If your office is situated in the North, for prosperity use red or purple objects, such as an amethyst geod, nine amethyst crystals, or Amethyst Gem Tree. A Scroll with Nine Fish, or nine dragons all strengthen #9’s good fortune while protecting it from negative Monthly Stars.

Avoid using items made of earth, that are square shaped or earth tones, as the Earth Element weakens Fire 9.

However, caution is also needed in this sector this year as the 9 Purple in the North shares this location with the Three Killings and Sui Po, the Year Breaker.

Three Killings (San Sha) North

Unfortunately, this year the #9 Star shares the North with the Three Killings.

However, the Three Killings should not be a problem if the proper remedies are put into place. Most of all, in contrast with the 15º of the Grand Duke in the South (172.5º to 187.5º), avoid sitting with your back to the direction the Three Killings are occupying for the year.

That is, it is best to face the Three Killings. This does not include occasional sitting, but those places that you frequently sit, such as at your desk or work station. If this is impossible to change the direction you sit, put at least two Qi Lin (also called Chinese Unicorns often sold in pairs) on your desk facing the Three Killings for protection from financial loss, sickness and arguments. I prefer three Qi Lin, which I purchased separately and then placed on a teak wood display stand. Another good choice is to use a combination of the Three Protectors (a Fu Dog, a Pi Yao, and a Qi Lin) with all three placed side-by-side and facing North this year.

[For those who are curious how the Three Killings direction is determined, it is always in the Cardinal direction opposite the Year’s Animal Sign. That is, 2014 is the Year of the Horse which resides in the South. The Horse is part of the Trinity of Friends, which includes the Tiger and Dog. Of the three Animal Signs only the Horse is in a Cardinal Direction, which is South. So the Three Killings in 2014 is located in the opposite Cardinal direction which is the North.]

This is similar to the formula for determining your Peach Blossom or Flower of Romance direction to attract a loving relationship. [Send me an email and I will send you the specific formula.]

Year Breaker (Sui Po) in N2

Sui Po, the Year Breaker, is always in the 15º opposite the direction of Tai Sui. This year Sui Po will be in the N2 Sector between 352.5º to 7.5º. This is another direction that should not be disturbed with remodeling or other disturbances in the home or digging and loud noises outside.

Unlike Tai Sui, which it is advised you avoid confronting by facing in Tai Sui’s direction, as with the Three Killings also in the North this year, it is best to face the direction of Sui Po, and thereby benefiting from having Tai Sui in the South support your endeavors by being positioned directly behind you.

Water Placement in 2014

Throughout Period 8 (until 2024) Do Not place water features in the NE, even if this is the entrance to your home. Water features can be place outside the home in the SW or East, unless the water feature placed in these directions will activate negative Flying Star combinations in those areas of the home or office.

If you are not sure how to calculate the Flying Star chart for your home, either consult with a feng shui practitioner in your area who is experienced, or contact me, and I will tell you what to send me so I can provide you with an evaluation.

As water can be placed rightly or wrongly based on other formulae, it is advisable to consult with a feng shui practitioner who has experience with Special Water Placement formulae (Dragon Water Classic).

Preparing for 2014

Along with placing your energized Annual Flying Star Cures, the beginning of the New Year is a good time for a thorough spring clean of refrig, oven, behind furniture, and so forth, paint the front door and change the welcome mat and or other worn or chipped items if needed, collect and or pay personal debts, place flowers and bowls of fruit (especially oranges and tangerines) everywhere, give children red envelopes with money inside, and open windows.
Over the years, I have come across various websites that offer ‘secret’ cures that are relevant to a specific year. Or websites that offer a different cure each year. Many of these websites of course make money selling product. And need their customers to keep coming back to buy more.

However, the truth is, cures used do not have to be fancy or expensive to be effective. In fact, one master (not selling products on his websites) recommends a blue piece of paper for Water to ‘drain’ the negative effects of Metal 7 and a red paper for Fire to ‘burn up’ the negative effects of Wood 3. He also suggests that you do not use the area of the house with Earth Star 5. Of course in old China, when feng shui was used primarily by the aristocracy and homes were quite large, it was easy enough to move the bedrooms to a different sector of the house.

Many of us in the 21st century do not have this luxury. So the hope is that by nullifying negative influences, that we can then continue to use the area with an unfortunate influence without suffering adversity by applying the appropriate harmonizers. Perhaps that year may not be as great as another, but at least it is not a disaster, as might otherwise be anticipated.

Of course a blue or red piece of paper can simply be tacked to a wall, or taped to the back of a piece of furniture, or even stuck on a nail with a picture or mirror hung in front of it, so the piece of paper is not even seen while still exposed to the air flow of the room (that is, do not put in a draw or cupboard). Though blue or red paper may be sufficient, I have always preferred to reinforce the Annual Cures I use with imagery. For example, to control the Metal 7, instead of just a blue piece of paper, I place a Blue Rhinoceros in the sector each year where #7 flies to. Something about this unique looking animal figurine that appeals to my sense of aesthetic. Also, it is easy to move from compass direction to compass direction each year.

Although in my Annual Cures newsletter, I list a variety of choices, all you need is one for each sector, which can then be cleansed at the end of one year and moved to the relevant new sector the following year. If you do not already own a selection of items to be used each year, and need help deciding which ones to purchase, let me suggest the following:

**Water 1 in the SW:** As Water 1 is not an Element of misfortune, nothing needs to be done. However, placing an enhancement will enable you to ‘tap’ into this favorable energy to bring benefits into all areas of life. As Metal makes Water, I use a **Gold Arowana** (an ancient species of fish known for its longevity, paternal care, and like the koi, a symbol of prosperity). I also hang **10-Coins on a Red Cord**, again, for the metal which gives birth to Water, the circle shapes which represent the Metal Element, the overlapping coins which have a wavy outline, and the number 10 which reduces to the number 1 for K’an, the Water Trigram.

**Earth 2 in East:** Though the cures recommended for Earth 2 are the same as Earth 5, I have preferred a traditional **6-Coins on a Red Cord** and a **Brass Wu Lou (Gourd)**, as the Wu Lou has always been considered a protection against illness.

**Wood 3 in SE:** Though a red paper or keeping a bright light on is sufficient, I have always preferred a **Red Laughing Ho-tai Buddha**, a cylindrical **Red Candle** and a red elephant figurine with its trunk raised upward.

**Wood 4 in the Center:** As Water feeds Wood, a 4 **Lucky Bamboo** plants in a bowl of clean water is excellent. As I have a child who is a student, I put a **Calligraphy Set** in the appropriate compass direction in his room. For my son who is looking for Career Luck, I put a **Brass Abacus** in the appropriate compass direction in his. For the compass direction of the whole house, I put a figurine of the **Dragon and Phoenix** for relationship harmony. This image can also be used to attract a harmonious relationship for those who are currently single.

**Earth 5 in NW:** Though the most basic remedy is to use a wind chime or a pendulum clock with a metal pendulum (moving metal), I like to use two. As hanging a wind chime does not fit my decor, I prefer the **Salt Water Cure** as a more industrial strength remedy, and one that I toss in the trash at the end of the year (vase, 6 coins and whatever salt remains). I also like to use the **5-Element Pagoda**, which I have filled with earth taken from around my home.

**Metal 6 in West:** Another beneficial number which brings good fortune to the compass direction of the house that it visits each year, and one that requires no remediation. To enjoy additional good fortune from Metal 6 it is suggested to use a **Metal Dragon** figurine, a **Gold Tortoise with a Coin in its Mouth**, or my favorite, a **Non-metallic Gold Buddha**.
Water Cures (vase, 6 coins and remaining salt) and the Bagua Mirror, if used for Annual Cures, get tossed in the trash. If you prefer, you can energize with the New Year (February 3 or 4), energize each item by holding them in both hands before placing them in their new locations. If at the end of the day, shake or wipe the salt off, and bring the trays back into the house. Prior to the beginning of the Solar Year, I toss this Bagua Mirror with an antique Chinese coin tapped to the back outside the house above the front door. At the end of the year, I toss this Ba-gua Mirror, along with the Salt Water Cure used for the Annual Earth 5, into the trash.

Recycle Yearly Cures: Each year, gather all remedies and enhancements together on serving trays in January, a few weeks before the end of the year. Wipe them down with a damp cloth, place them all in a sunny area outside, and sprinkle with sea salt. At the end of the day, shake or wipe the salt off, and bring the trays back into the house. Prior to the beginning of the Solar New Year (February 3 or 4), energize each item by holding them in both hands before placing them in their new locations. If you prefer, you can energize with the Three Secret Reinforcements, or any other method you are most comfortable with. Salt Water Cures (vase, 6 coins and remaining salt) and the Bagua Mirror, if used for Annual Cures, get tossed in the trash.

May you have a happy, harmonious, healthy, and wealthy year ahead.

Gong Xi Fa Cai – Modern Chinese Mandarin
Kong Hai Fat Choy – Cantonese
Best to you as always, Elliot

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**Metal 7 in NE:** Though a blue paper is sufficient, As mentioned above, I have always preferred a Blue Rhino and a 30mm Blue Lead-glass Crystal Sphere, which I either hang, or just put on a table in the area visited by the Metal 7.

**Earth 8 in South:** Earth 8 is also referred to as Lucky Money 8 and, like all numbers, is activated by activity. This means just walking through the compass direction of the house being visited by Earth 8 brings good fortune. Understandably, there will be much activity if your front door is in the South sector of your home. Nevertheless, rather than wait until someone walks through this area, or whichever area the #8 is flying through, usually a water feature (Table Top Fountain or Aquarium) is suggested. However, if either of these are items you do not want to take care of, other moving objects such as a CD player or oscillating fan can be used instead. You can further enhance this area with a vase of fresh flowers, opening windows to keep fresh air circulating, and one of my favorites, the Cinnabar Egg as the Fire Element feeds the Earth Element, and the intricately carved egg symbolizes abundance in the present and prosperity in the future.

**Fire 9 in the North:** As Fire 9 is usually a fortunate area of the home, it can be energized with fresh flowers or anything associated with either the number 9 like a 9-Fish Scroll or items representing the Element of Fire. In my home, I activate this fortunate influence by placing 9 Amethyst Crystals along with a Coral Gem Tree.

**Front Door:** Those years when Earth 2, Wood 3, Earth 5, or Metal 7 are in the compass direction of my front door, I also put a Bagua Mirror with an antique Chinese coin tapped to the back opposite in N2 (352.5º – 7.5º), and the Three Killings which sits in all 45º of the Rat direction in the North.

**Grand Duke (Tai Sui):** In 2014 is in the South between 172.5º – 187.5º: The Grand Duke is the Year Ruler, and this year is in the Horse direction. The usual recommendation, besides Do Not face the 15º subsector where the Grand Duke resides, is to place a Pi Yao in the opposite compass direction – this year placed in the North of the home or room, and facing Tai Sui in the South. Some people will place a pair of Pi Yao and others, any fierce looking animal.

**Three Killings (San Sha):** In 2014 in the North with Purple Star 9: To protect against the misfortunes traditionally associated with the Three Killings, which represent misfortunes of accidents, illness, and financial loss, the suggestion is to place Three Guardian figurines. These can be three Qi-Lin, or one each of the trinity of the Fu Dog, Pi Yao and a Qi-Lin. These go in the sector where the Three Killings are found each year, and they face in that direction. My Three Guardians are placed on a small oval teak stand. Placing plants in this direction is also beneficial.

**Year Breaker (Sui Po):** This is the Animal Sign in the opposite compass direction from the Animal Sign of the year, as these two Animals are said to Clash. In 2014, the year animal sign is the Horse located in the S2, so the Year Breaker is in the Rat direction which is N2 situated between 352.5º-7.5º.

**Do Not Disturb:** Whether Grand Duke, the Three Killings, Year Breaker, Black Earth 2, or Yellow Earth 5, it is best NOT to do construction on areas of the house in any of these directions, and avoid digging in the garden. If the area that construction or digging needs to be done includes any of these directions, begin the project in an auspicious direction and work your way into the area considered inauspicious. Or put up a curtain, folding screen, or hang a wind chime between the house and the area of construction or excavating. Best of all is to postpone disturbing any of these areas until the following year. In 2014, areas to do construction on areas of the house in any of these directions, and avoid digging in the garden. If the area that construction or digging needs to be done includes any of these directions, begin the project in an auspicious direction and work your way into the area considered inauspicious. Or put up a curtain, folding screen, or hang a wind chime between the house and the area of construction or excavating. Best of all is to postpone disturbing any of these areas until the following year. In 2014, areas to avoid disturbing are: Yellow Earth 5 will be in the NW, Grand Duke will be in the Horse direction S2 (172.5º-187.5º), the Year Breaker opposite in N2 (352.5º – 7.5º), and the Three Killings which sits in all 45º of the Rat direction in the North.

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MONTHLY FLYING STAR CHART
Instructions for keeping track of the Monthly Flying Stars as they ‘fly’ through your house or the house of your clients.

Instructions & Suggestions:

1. In the upper right hand corner is a chart with the Annual Flying Star numbers already printed with space to add the Flying Star numbers for your house, or the house of your client determined by Year of Construction and Facing Direction. (See my Tutorial for Using Feng Shui Master Formula Study Guides for instruction as to how to construct a Flying Star chart for any structure.)

2. To the left of that is a reminder of which Elements are associated with each number.

3. Below that is a list of numbers in 2014 that are Auspicious or Inauspicious – though some say #3 and #6, though not strong, are “usable” numbers during Period 8 because of the relationship between the #3 and #6 with the #8 when overlapping the Early and Later Heaven Baguas.

4. The next line is for writing the Name and Address for the location under consideration.

5. The main chart showing the Eight Palaces associated with each of the eight compass directions positioned around a Center Palace has space for writing the name of each of the rooms found in each compass direction.

6. The Center Palace has the 12-month Grid with February in the first box upper left, as February is the beginning of the Solar New Year. Each month in this grid shows the day the month begins. This is the day to apply remedies to either neutralize the negative Numbers/Elements or to enhance the auspicious Numbers/Elements.

7. Each compass direction has a 12-month Grid that corresponds to the 12-month Grid in the Center Palace.

8. As each month passes, it is suggested you cross out the month that has passed in each of the Nine Palaces.

9. For clients you may want to indicate what remedies should be placed, especially Metal in regard to controlling the monthly Yellow Five Star, and increased activity for enhancing the Money Star Eight. Circle these numbers on the Grids that appear in the Front Door, Bedroom, and Home Office sectors of the house.

10. The bottom center chart shows how Elements interact using the Creative, Reductive and Control Cycles.

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Wishing you all a happy, healthy, and prosperous year,

Elliot

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## Monthly Flying Star Tracker

### 2014 – Year of the Wood Horse

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###Your Home’s Flying Stars w/ Annual Number

#### Auspicious #’s: 1, 4, 8, 9

#### Inauspicious #’s: 2, 5, 7

#### Safe & Usable #’s: 3, 6

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**Perforated See-Thru 8-Spoked-Wheel Tracing Compass**

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- **Instructions**

1. Using an accurately drawn floor plan, find the center of the house. This can be determined by drawing a line from corner to corner. If the house has an irregular shape, estimate what it would look like if it were square or rectangle (#1A).

2. Find the mid-point of the Facing of the house and draw a line from the center through the mid-point of the Facing.

3. Find the compass direction of the Facing of the house.

4. Place the 8 ½ x 11 Perforated See-Thru 8-Spoked Wheel Tracing Compass over the floor plan. Align the center of the Tracing Compass with the center of the floor plan. Using a fine point red pen, put the point through the center perforation on the Tracing Compass and spin the compass until the degree determined by the compass reading in Step #3 is lined up.

5. Now use the fine point pen and make a dot at each of the 8-compass directions, remove the Tracing Compass, and connect the dots. Write the compass direction outside the floor plan in each of the eight sections.

Now you have a clear idea where to place the enhancements and cures for the Annual Flying Star, or any other Compass School formula, such as might be indicated by the Flying Star number combinations based on Facing Direction and Construction Date (#6), or as required by the Special Water Placement Formulas (#7).

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In the previous issue of Maui Special Edition I introduced you to some basic concepts of feng shui (füng schway), the art of placement and design. In this issue I would like to share with you an astrological technique that is similar to feng shui called Astro*Carto*Graphy. Where feng shui concerns itself with creating harmony in the immediate home environment by removing obstacles, moving furniture and use of color and symbols, Astro*Carto*Graphy concerns itself to which locations on planet Earth are most harmonious for you to live.

Many of you are familiar with some of the usual ways astrology can be used in self-discovery, understanding relationships, and understanding the changes that happen throughout life (transits and progressions). An Astro*Carto*Graphy Map is a map of the world showing exactly where each planet was passing over at the moment of birth. Through my study of Astro*Carto*Graphy, I have found that different locations have different influence making it easier or more difficult to manifest goals and even to resolve personality and health issues.

Whenever someone is considering moving to a new location, the Astro*Carto*Graphy Map helps to determine the best location to move to. More frequently, I use this chart when an individual seems unhappy where they are and there is no other astrological reasons to explain why life has been so tough for so long. In this situation it usually turns out the individual is living on an unfavorable planetary line.

The planetary lines that are most favorable are Sun, Jupiter, Venus, Mercury and sometimes, the Moon, The lines that are most difficult are Saturn, Pluto, and sometimes Mars, Uranus and Neptune. Difficult lines can be used to advantage sometimes, and sometimes they are less difficult when combined with a more favorable line.

For example: a Saturn-line may be beneficial for helping some bring structure into their life but once they have their ‘act together’ the best advice is, “leave.” Living on a Saturn-line is much too depressive, burdensome, alienating, lonely and contractive in all areas. Pluto-lines can be even worse. Pluto-lines may begin with a wonderful high, even ecstatic highs, but in short time the crest of the wave gives out and there is a heavy fall. Again the advice is, “leave.” Briefly, Mars is too contentious, competitive and masculinizing in a negative sense. Uranus is too erratic, nerve wracking and unpredictable. Neptune is too wishy-washy and rarely sees manifestation. Both Uranus and Neptune may be more creative, spiritual or romantic when combined with a more favorable planet.

The favorable planets bring creativity, popularity, positive relationships, community of like-minded people, sense of well-being, great abundance, and an overall quality of life in how we handle our problems and enjoy our successes.
So why would anyone choose anything less than the best planetary lines to live on? Karma of course. Lessons in life that need to be worked through. Where we live fits our patterns. For an individual who has been struggling for years living on a difficult planetary line, looking at an Astro*Carto*Graphy Map usually means they are ready to make a conscious choice to live a more harmonious and fulfilling life.

Of course it should be understood that changing the feng shui of your home or moving somewhere else on planet earth doesn’t change your core issues – nor is it going to make a short person, tall, or someone with no artistic talent, an artist. However, it should be understood that by making changes on the physical, you set your intention to change on the spiritual. By moving furniture in your home or changing cities you could remove additional frustrations in resolving these core issues sooner, rather than later. For example: an alcoholic in recovery may find more of an inclination to back-slide in certain locations and more support to grow and change in another.

Likewise, it would be folly to think that just because you move to or live on your Venus-line, that relationships will be easy or that you will finally meet your soul-mate. Indeed, if you still haven’t resolved your core issues of a need to be in control, or a victim-victimizer issues, or whatever issues you have that have made relationships difficult in the past, you will still have them even on your Venus-line. You may even have a relationship that ends in divorce. However, compared to a Mars-line even the divorce will proceed harmoniously, and you will at least part as friends. Whereas on a Mars-line, the relationship is more likely to end in bitterness and perhaps with a bitter court room battle.

For people who travel from location to location, there is another technique called Cyclo*Carto*Graphy. This is similar to a transit reading of the birth chart as it shows the changing energy. Former President Carter had Mars in Iran but it wasn’t until Pluto went over Iran that this potential aggression exploded in the hostage controversy. Likewise, Pluto was transiting over Dallas at the time Kennedy was assassinated. For the rest of us mere mortals, the implications are the same. If you travel to a place during a poor transit, you are likely to experience some form of difficulty reflective of your core issues and evolutionary needs. I made the mistake once of traveling to an otherwise joyous Venus location, when Saturn was transiting over head, and found myself in a serious accident which put me down for three days. Timing can be important.

Unfortunately, not all astrologers, no matter how talented, have the certification training or experience in Astro*Carto*Graphy Map interpretation. Nor are the A*C*G Maps generated on home computers, as detailed as the professionally plotted 15" x 7 ½" A*C*G Maps available at: www.astrocartography.co.uk. I have read the A*C*G Certification Course and have analyzed over a thousand A*C*G Maps, and can answer all your questions concerning where you live, and can help you find those locations that are best for you and your family.

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