

Seven Lions' Paste

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maa32 — 09 Jun 2003, 05:47

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If you don't know, could you repost this question to the Urth list?

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Josh Geller — 09 Jun 2003, 06:15 · follows maa32

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On Sun, 2003-06-08 at 22:47, maa32 wrote:

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James Wynn — 09 Jun 2003, 16:24 · follows Josh Geller

Okay. Fixed my problem.

Crush asked:

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Josh Geller answered:

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Crush concedes:

I was afraid of that. It seemed to me that the paste should have something to do with whether Seven Lions had seen anyone one who looked like Latro. But Josh is probably right. It is only a Wolfean juxtaposition.

--- Crush