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Jonathan Laidlow — 29 Jan 2007, 18:58

Thanks to David DiGiacomo, we now have the first issue of the Book of Gold on Ultan.

www.ultan.org.uk

Thanks David!

And on Soldier of Arete. I too must confess that in my recent rereading of the Soldier novels I found the last quarter of Arete to be supremely disappointing, and very difficult to follow. I can only speculate that Wolfe was told at this point that sales didn't warrant his writing a 3rd volume, so he tried to wrap up narrative threads that would have continued in another volume.

But don't worry - Sidon doesn't really require comprehension of the ending of Arete - it makes very little reference to the earlier novels.

J

----- Original Message -----

From: "urth-request at lists.urth.net" <urth-request at lists.urth.net> To: urth at lists.urth.net
Sent: Wednesday, 24 January, 2007 9:03:56 AM Subject: urth Digest, Vol 29, Issue 8

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Today's Topics:

1. Re: Pas's gammadion and the voided cross (aramini1 at cox.net)
2. Re: Pas's gammadion and the voided cross (brunians at brunians.org)
3. Re: Pas's gammadion and the voided cross (brunians at brunians.org)
4. Re: Pas's gammadion and the voided cross (Matthew King)
5. Re: Pas's gammadion and the voided cross (Jon Capps)

Message: 1

Date: Sun, 21 Jan 2007 23:30:11 -0800

From: <aramini1 at cox.net>

Subject: Re: (urth) Pas's gammadion and the voided cross

To: The Urth Mailing List <urth at lists.urth.net>

Message-ID: <473581.1169451011010.JavaMail.root at fed1wml10.mgt.cox.net>

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I do agree with the old idea that the voided cross has been voided by taking away the crucifixion imagery and the body of christ from it and assimilating it into Typhon's family totem, representationally. However, the gammadions could very well bisect a point that would resemble a slash through the cross. Uggh.

Marc Aramini

---- Matthew King <automatthew at gmail.com> wrote:

On Jan 21, 2007, at 9:31 PM, Chris Mulder wrote:

Well, the more I read, the less of a firm idea I have of what it looks like. I guess the sign of addition is a plus-type cross, but a voided cross? what does it mean to void a cross? Like a null sign through a cross? or like the four 90 degree angles of a maltese cross? A photo would be most illuminating.

Some of the interesting posts on this topic in the archive:

Referencing a Wolfe Q&A session:

<http://www.urth.net/whorl/archives/v0007/0528.shtml>

The full Q&A post, since I have trouble finding it when I want it:

<http://www.urth.net/whorl/archives/v0007/0511.shtml>

Older:

<http://www.urth.net/whorl/archives/v0002/0059.shtml>

<http://www.urth.net/whorl/archives/v0002/0063.shtml>

<http://www.urth.net/whorl/archives/v0005/0312.shtml>

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Message: 2

Date: Mon, 22 Jan 2007 04:16:29 -0500 (EST)

From: brunians at brunians.org
Subject: Re: (urth) Pas's gammadion and the voided cross
To: "The Urth Mailing List" <urth at lists.urth.net>
Message-ID: <11917.67.142.130.30.1169457389.squirrel at brunians.org>
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=iso-8859-1

Enough.

<http://images.google.com/images?hl=en&q=gammadion&btnG=Search+Images>

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Message: 3
Date: Mon, 22 Jan 2007 04:19:39 -0500 (EST)
From: brunians at brunians.org
Subject: Re: (urth) Pas's gammadion and the voided cross
To: "The Urth Mailing List" <urth at lists.urth.net>
Message-ID: <6084.67.142.130.30.1169457579.squirrel at brunians.org>
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=iso-8859-1

Enough.

<http://images.google.com/images?hl=en&q=gammadion&btnG=Search+Images>

I should add: top row, second from the left.

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Message: 4
Date: Mon, 22 Jan 2007 09:23:00 -0700
From: Matthew King <automatthew at gmail.com>
Subject: Re: (urth) Pas's gammadion and the voided cross
To: The Urth Mailing List <urth at lists.urth.net>
Message-ID: <00E76A0F-63D7-4D8F-8AF6-C0D65294A5CE at gmail.com>
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII; delsp=yes; format=flowed

On Jan 22, 2007, at 2:19 AM, brunians at brunians.org wrote:

Enough.

<http://images.google.com/images?hl=en&q=gammadion&btnG=Search+Images>

I should add: top row, second from the left.

That does seem to be what Wolfe described in the Q&A. If a gamma can be considered to have _a_ point, then I take that to be the right angle.

Matthew

Message: 5

Date: Mon, 22 Jan 2007 16:45:29 -0500

From: Jon Capps <jon at joncapps.net>

Subject: Re: (urth) Pas's gammadion and the voided cross

To: The Urth Mailing List <urth at lists.urth.net>

Message-ID: <45B53079.1070205 at joncapps.net>

Content-Type: text/plain; charset=ISO-8859-1; format=flowed

aramini1 at cox.net wrote:

However, the gammadions could very well bisect a point that would resemble a slash through the cross. Uggh.

I seriously doubt Wolfe intended the voided cross to be interpreted as one with a slash through it. See:

<http://www.seiyaku.com/customs/crosses/voided.html>

which says: [The Voided Cross] is simply a heraldic term for when only the edge of the cross is traced. It can be any shape or form of cross.

So, a voided cross is just the outline of a cross, which can be approximated quite closely with four gammas.

jon
