

November 2025



Sigma Chi

FRESNO ALUMNI CHAPTER

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SIG NEWS

MORSE SUPPORTS MARJAREE MASON CENTER

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<https://www.fresnosigsalumni.org/events>

NEW FISCAL YEAR ANNUAL DUES/DONATIONS

July 1, 2025, to June 30, 2026 – Annual \$60.00

See listing below

www.fresnosigsalumni.org/product/alumni-membership

ALL HONOR TO THEIR NAME

*JULY 1, 2025 – JUNE 30, 2026- SEE BELOW
John S. Miller ('62-S)*

PAST ARTICLES YOU MAY HAVE MISSED

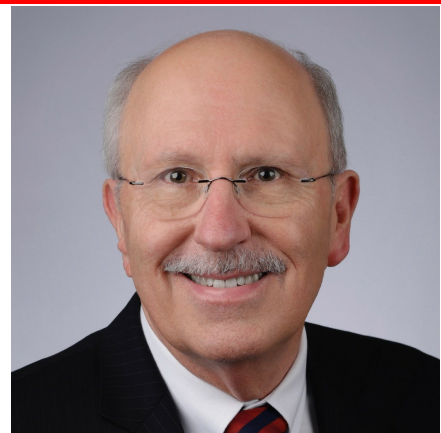
*SEE ARTICLE BELOW
Flores Named Spirit of Philanthropy
Morse Featured in The Business Journal
2025/2026 Scholarship Banquet*

NEW RENO CHAPTER BEING FORMED

SEE ARTICLE BELOW

President's Message

Contributed by Brad Fischer (78-S)



Worthy Brothers:

As the holiday season continues, it is a fitting time to look back on 2025 and reflect with gratitude on all that we have accomplished together, as well as the strong bonds of brotherhood we have shared. Your steadfast support of our Active Chapter, Alumni Chapter, Housing Corporation, and Scholarship Endowment has made a meaningful difference throughout the year.

Let us also take a moment of silence to remember those brothers who have entered the Chapter Eternal. Their legacy remains an important part of our fraternity's history and spirit.

This season also reminds us to be grateful for your

ongoing commitment to dues, which enables us to ensure that Sigma Chi remains the premier fraternity at Fresno State. We extend special appreciation to those who have given above and beyond to further support your alumni chapter.

In the spirit of **Friendship, Justice, and Learning**, thank you for being an essential part of our brotherhood.

In Hoc Signo Vincas,

Brad

Brad S. Fischer (78-S)
Order of Constantine & Significant Sig
Cal State - Fresno 1981
President

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"That Sigma Chi has given me favor and distinction; that the bond of our fellowship is reciprocal, that I will endeavor to so build myself and so conduct myself that I will ever be a credit to our Fraternity."

From the **Sigma Chi Creed**, George Ade, PURDUE 1887

www.sigmachi.org/history



Wishing happy holidays and a safe holiday travel season to all our brothers, sweethearts, family members, and friends!

SIG NEWS!

Chris Morse (83-F) and Michelle Morse support the Marjaree Mason Center

Marjaree Mason Center Facebook - November 10, 2025

As the year comes to a close, we're reminded of the incredible power of generosity — and the lives it can change.

Your generosity can go twice as far. Every donation made now through December 31 will be matched up to \$250,000 thanks to the generosity of Chris and Michelle Morse.

Everyone deserves a safe place to call home. Your doubled impact will help provide immediate safety and hope for adults and children impacted by domestic violence – 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year.

[Click Here for Donation Information](#)

If you're interested in donating stock or other appreciated assets, or if you'd like to discuss a legacy gift, please contact Ashlee Wolf, Director of Philanthropy and Communication, at (559) 487-1313 or ashlee@mmcenter.org.

Fall 2025 – Welcome Brothers

Celebrate our brothers who completed Initiation on November 2 at the Epsilon Eta Chapter. Welcome Preston Bisla, Camden Estrada, Talan Franco, Noah Kattelman, Avery Leach, Cyrus Mackie, Ryan Marini, Brody Mason, Caleb Matthews, Cooper Rodger and Moses Uribe.

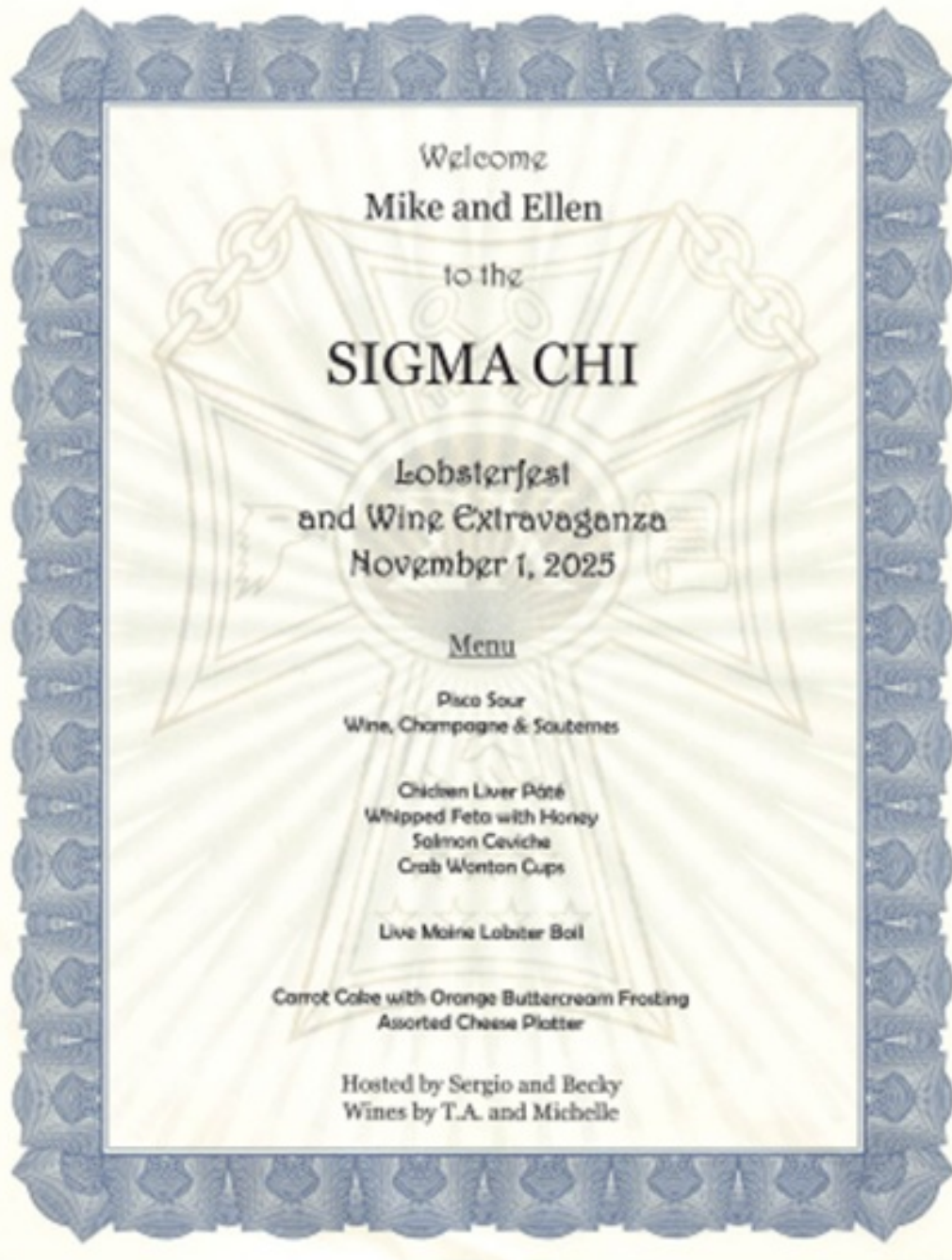
Send any Sig news to fresnosigs1952@gmail.com

THE 2025 LOBSTERFEST - PRICELESS

By Order of Constantine & Significant Sig Mike Patton (63-S)



The largest silent auction at our 8th annual wine tasting was The Lobsterfest and Wine Extravaganza. It was the brainchild of brothers Sergio Ilic and T.A. Heckel. Ten paying guests were treated to a once-in-a-lifetime experience. Here is the menu:



[*Click Here for Event Photos!*](#)

2025 SEMI-CENTURY SIG HONORS A WRAP!

By Order of Constantine & Significant Sig Brad S Fischer (78-S)



Larry Paris (75-S) and Brad Fischer (78-S)

Our November meeting wrapped up those brothers from 1975 who received their Semi-Century Sig honors this Fall.

Alan Asadoorian (75-F), John Foley (75-S), Darryl Horowitt (75-F) Cal State-Long Beach, Mitch Long (75-F), Brent Mulanax (75-S), Larry Paris (75-S), James Sandrini (75-S) and Larry Spikes (75-F). Brother Paris was recognized at our November meeting.

A LITTLE SIGMA

By Art Renney (64-S)

The following poem from an unnamed Little Sigma from the past was uncovered. The words of the past ring true to today!

Twelve Sig pledges as tired as can be,
Sitting in the library with a look of misery.
This is the week you've heard about--
The one which decides if you're in or if
you're out!

From Alpha to Omega in three seconds flat,
To the Norman Shield Manual, learned forward
and back---

From memories of the ditch, to the shaking of
a hand,
Only a true Sig could ever understand.

Just twenty-four more hours and "Hell Week"
will be through,
Then the high ideals of Sigma Chi will become so
ever true.

The pledge pin worn just one more day,
The White Cross then-----forever to stay.

So long all you pledges, I bid you a brief good
bye,

For the next time I see you
There'll be twelve more SIGMA CHI'S!!!

A LITTLE SIGMA

DeYOUNG BROTHERS REPEAT "SIBLINGS SHOWDOWN"

By Order of Constantine & Significant Sig Mike Patton (63-S)

Ryan DeYoung (00-S UCSD), president of DeYoung Properties announced the second annual event with a twist. To see the full article in the Business Journal click here:

[Click Here for Article](#)

Deyoung Sibling Showdown Web Series Returns with Holiday Theme, Non-Profit Beneficiaries



From left: Brandon, Ashley and Ryan De Young
The talent behind the second season of "Sibling Showdown."

NEW RENO ACTIVE CHAPTER IN FORMATION

***By Order of Constantine & Significant Sig Brad S Fischer (78-S)
& Richard Egan (77-F) Epsilon Eta***

Sigma Chi is expanding with a new chapter at the University of Nevada, Reno. Do you know any alumni brothers who live in the area and can offer to help with this new chapter?

We have a local connection. Sean Egan, son of Richard Egan (77-F) is a freshman at UNR and will be a member of the inaugural Charter Initiation in Spring 2026.

Reach out to that brother and contact Chapter Advisor and UNR Facility member Chris Wilbus at chris.wilbus@gmail.com. His mobile number is (702) 738-3555.

PROTECTING THE HISTORY OF EPSILON ETA

By Order of Constantine & Significant Sig Brad S Fischer (78-S)

Sigma Chi continues to have the most extensive

collection of materials at the Fresno State Library Special Collections Department. What are you doing to save material from Epsilon Eta? Here are some ideas while you hold the items until you are ready to save them in perpetuity at the library.

Items can include, photographs, invitations, programs, clothing, jewelry, award certificates, trophy's, scrapbooks, etc.

Keep materials in a dry and temperature-controlled environment

Avoid folding any materials

Write the names of people featured in photographs on the back using a #2 pencil

Write an explanation of people, events, places, etc. to accompany your items

Place like materials in a box, folder, envelope or Ziplock

HOUSING CORPORATION ARTICLE

Contribued by John Ballinger (65-S)

My favorite time of the year has arrived! The Thanksgiving holidays are the best. It is an opportunity to enjoy a fantastic meal with your family and friends, while giving thanks for all that we have and share!

The fall semester will come to an end in a few weeks prior to winter break. The housing corporation is in the process of soliciting funds to do some much needed repairs to our fraternity house.

As you may know, Brother Mike Patton has volunteered to match all funds raised up to \$50,000! To date we have

received donations from 25 brothers totaling \$8,190. Our appreciation goes out to all who have donated! However as you can see we are in need of additional contributions. We don't want to let Mike off the hook!

Please consider our plea and consider helping us out during the holiday season. Donations can be made to the **Sigma Chi Fraternity Housing Corporation** at: <https://www.fresnosigsalumni.org/donation>

We wish you all the best of holiday seasons...Happy Thanksgiving and a Merry Christmas to all...and it's great to be a Sig!!!

**John Ballinger (S '65)
House Corp President**

2025-2026 DUES & DONATIONS

Contributed by Mark Scott (69-F)

*Dues are **\$60.00** and donations for 07/01/25 to 06/30/26 are being accepted.*

*Online payments can be accepted today:
[Click Here for Membership Information](#)*

Checks payable to the Sigma Chi Alumni Chapter of Fresno can be mailed to PO Box 7803, Fresno, CA 93747-7803.

Note: Dues Appeal Form for 2025-2026 is now available:

[Download 2025-2026 Dues Appeal Form Here](#)

Note: This chart shows the names of all Brothers who have paid dues received during the last 12 months, as of October 31, 2025.

1950's

Jerry Bender, *Bob Buckenberger*, Butch Charlebois,
Tony Flores***, **Jim Green*****, Rodger Jensen***,
Byron Justus, Joe Monachello, Homer Potts,
Rich Rose, Dante Simi***, *Frank Small**,
Ron Weiner, **Leo Wilson***, & Norm Winslow

1960's

Mike Alaga, John Ballinger***@, Dave Barnes,
Greg Baxter, Don Beauregard, Tom Beggs,
Dale Blickenstaff, *Richard Bratz*, Lindsay Brehm,
Marv Broderson***@, Jim Calandra,
Larry Calvino*@, *Joe Chappell*, Steve Crawford,
Rob Crossland, Larry Dorsey*, **Tom Downing*****,
Pete Eliopoulos, Michael Elliott**@, Elwood Enns,
Richard Fox, John Garcia, Dexter Hardcastle,
Richard Harris, Greg Johnson, **Colin Kelly*****, Bob
Koligian*, *Ron LaRocca*, Jeff Linder,
*John Marinovich***@, Bill Matesso, Fred
McPherson, Dan Mueller, Ed Musolff**@,
Ron Nelson, Jim Norquist, Dan O'Brien,
Steve Pallios, **Mike Patton*****@, Wes Qualls**@,
Gary Renner, Art Renney@, **Dave Reuland**,
Don Ruiz@, Dennis Schmal***@, Mark Scott***@,
Brian Stout***@, Jack Tacchino, James Tatum,
James Underhill, **Tim Vaux*****@, Jerry
Waters^***, Matt Wittkins**, Don Witzansky.

1970's

David Arakelian***, *Dick Arakelian*, Bill Arnold***,
Steve Bachand, Amos Bagdasarian, Bruce Berger,
Norm Bishop, Peter Britton, *Mike Chin*,

Gerald Chooljian, Mike, Chooljian, Steve Coleman,
Mike Crowley**@, Mark Ducas, Kenny Duncan,
Bruce Ekmanian, Ken Esraelian*, **Brad Fischer*****,
Jon Gallinetti***, Bob Garavello, Rod Gavroian,
Tony Guerriero*, Doug Haas, Rob Hauser,
Wade Hedrick, *Marv Helon**@*, Jon Hollenbeck,
Darryl Horowitt, *Jim Hutton**, Kenny Jelacich**,
Dave Kandarian, *Rich Klopstein*, Tom Kusaka,
Tom Licouris, Mitch Long, Mike Lorenzen,
*Michael Lynch**, *George Matoian*, **Dana McManus**,
Robert Morrow, *Mark Pasculli*, Paul Porter***@,
Bruce Quan, **Bill Robinson**, Mark Sanchez***,
Jim Sandrini, Glenn Scott, **Bill Smittcamp*****,
Larry Spikes, Kyle Stephenson, Mark Talens,
Serge Tomassian, Gary Trembley, Walt Trembley,
Bill Van Skike, Chris Visser***, Steve Vucovich,
Kirk Wethey, Kevin Wren, Richard Wright
& Wayne Yamagiwa.

1980's

Greg Anderson, Joel Armstrong, Chris Cole,
Mike Falgo, Barry Foley, Randy Garabedian,
Mike Green, T.A. Heckel, Don Heckman,
John Hughes, Frank Huttlinger (S.D. St.), Sergio Ilic,
Marc Jason, Justin Kempton, Kenneth Lehman,
Jeff Little, Brian Lockhart, James McCorkle,
Bill Miller, Chris Morse, Mike Price, Mike Riggs,
Matthew Rowan, Mike Rush, Doug Sampson,
Matthew Simonian & *Steve Smith*.

1990's

Rob Bell, Brandon Cohrs, Kenneth Eynaud,
David Folly, Marc Forth, Donny Gill, *Nathan Labiak*,

Davindar Mahil, Sam Mann, James McCann,
Robert Paley, Preet Purewal & Jason Weiner.

2000's

Chad Calhoun, *Aaron Encinias*, Joe Hart,
Matt Helon, Frank Puccio & *Mike Sandrini*.

2010's

Mike Colgate, Christian DeFendis, Zachary
Gavroian, Dusty Lacefield, Scott Moore
& Samuel Slosman.

Welcome our one-year complimentary membership,
Fresno State Class of 2025 – Eric Barrera, Caleb
Gretlein, Jordan Martinez, Anthony Reynoso, Andy
Stewart, Austin Tuell, William Ventura-Hernandez.

Order of Constantine, Significant Sig, Headquarters Award
Consuls who served Epsilon Eta

* Plus \$0-\$50, donation Alumni Chapter

**Plus \$51 -\$150 donation Alumni Chapter

***Plus \$151 or more donation Alumni Chapter

@ Donation to the Housing Corporation

SAVE THE DATE

2026 Alumni Chapter Dinner Events

Old Spaghetti Factory, Fresno

No-host cocktails followed by dinner.

Thursday, January 15, 2026

6:00 PM PT – First Spring Alumni Dinner Event
Old Spaghetti Factory, Fresno

Visit our events calendar for other upcoming activities:
<https://www.fresnosigsalumni.org/events>

ALL HONOR TO THEIR NAME

07/01/2025 - 06/30/2026

JIM NASH (54-F) July 3, 2025

WILLIAM C. (BILL) DONAGHY (60-F) June 17, 2025

BUCK LEVIS (60-F) August 3, 2025

DENNIS SHAVES (62-F) June 15, 2025

(*) **JOHN S. MILLER** (62-S) Date Unknown
(reported on Sigma Chi portal)

ZETH THORNING II (65-F) May 5, 2024

JOHN TULLY (96-S) Delta Xi Chapter - July 27, 2025

(*) **Notes those added this month.**

Names underlined are links to obituaries on memorial sites



**WHITE ROSE SCHOLARSHIP FUND:
PAYABLE TO THE FRESNO STATE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
2625 E MATOIAN WAY M/S SH124
FRESNO CA 93740-8000**

HEADQUARTER NEWS

Sigma Chi International Fraternity
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(847) 869-3655 | sigmachi.org

Exciting improvements are coming soon to your Sigma Chi member experience!

We are working hard to launch an improved member hub to get you connected with your fellow brothers and centralize fraternity events, resources and initiatives. Plus, we'll be rolling out Sigma Chi+, a modern and innovative approach to accessing lifelong brotherhood your own way built on tradition and designed for today.

Make sure you don't miss anything by claiming your account today if you have not done so already!

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Need further assistance? Click **[here](#)**

***PAST ARTICLES YOU MAY HAVE
MISSED FROM EPSILON ETA
COLLECTION AT FRESNO
STATE***

***FLORES (56-S) GIVEN SPIRIT OF
PHILANTHROPY HONOR***

By Order of Constantine & Significant Sig Mike Patton (63-S)



John (Tony) Flores (56-S) was honored with the 2025 Spirit of Philanthropy by the CA Valley Chapter of the Association of Fundraising Professionals (AFP). He received his honor at their luncheon on November 13, 2025 at Fort Washington Country Club.

***MORSE FEATURED IN
THE BUSINESS JOURNAL***



MOSSADAM **bakertilly**



Chris Morse (83-S), featured in The Business Journal on Friday September 19, 2025

[For More Details, Click Here](#)

Fresno's Largest CPA Firm to See New Name

[Click Here for Article](#)

2025/2026 SCHOLARSHIP BANQUET

By Order of Constantine & Significant Sig Mike Patton (63-S)



Past Active Chapter Scholarship Chairman **Carson Fusi (24-F)** helped coordinate the banquet, which was held at **The Old Spaghetti Factory** on **September 22, 2025**. The banquet served a dual purpose—as **Preference Night** and the **Scholarship Banquet**.

Attendees included **thirty-four undergraduate brothers, eleven of the thirteen pledges**, and **five alumni**, including **House Corporation President John Ballinger (65-S)**, **Endowment President Mike Patton (63-S)**, **Chapter Advisor Gio Primavera (17-F)**, **House Corporation Co-Treasurer Julian Ramos (09-S)**, and **Warden of Epsilon Eta's Monuments and Memorials Commission Steve Smith (80-F)**.

During the presentation, the Active Chapter brothers receiving scholarships were presented with **Certificates of Academic Excellence**, and each will receive **\$4,000** for the **2025–2026** school year,

totaling **\$40,000** in awards. The average **CGPA** for the seventeen recipients is **3.28**.

BLAST FROM THE PAST FROM BROTHER RENNEY

By Order of Constantine & Significant Sig Mike Patton (63-S)

Past Consul, Art Renney, was rummaging through some of old photos and found this classic probably taken in the mid-1960's



L to R: John Miller (62-S); Gary Renner (62-S); Art Renney (64-S);
Mama Lou Underwood (House Mother); Bill Matesso (63-F) and
Dennis Paldi (61-F)

SUPPORT THE ONLY GREEK

ARCHIVE AT FRESNO STATE

Funds are needed to cover the cost of archival storage containers and fees for these items. A fund has been established at the Fresno State Foundation for the Sigma Chi Collection at the Fresno State Library. **You can donate at:**

<https://securelb.imodules.com/s/1692/lg23/form.aspx?sid=1692&gid=2&pgid=2469&cid=4681&amount=>

Select University Library and note Sigma Chi Collection

Mail your check to the Fresno State Foundation, Fresno State Advancement Services, 5244 N Jackson Ave., KC45, Fresno CA 93740-8023. Note University Library/Sigma Chi Collection

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<https://linkedin.com/groups/13688055>

Sigma Chi Scholarship & House Corporation Donations

You can now make scholarship donations using our

website.

<https://fresnosigsalumni.org/product/alumni-membership>

Sigma Chi's Highest Honor

Visit our website to view the list of honorees of the Order of Constantine, Significant Sig and Seven Lights Alumni Award.

<https://fresnosigsalumni.org>

Alumni Chapter Charter

Sigma Chi Fraternity



To All To Whom These Presents Shall Come
Greeting

Know Ye

that the Sigma Chi Fraternity has granted and by these presents does grant to the Brothers whose names are listed below and to their duly initiated associates and successors this charter, fully constituting them an

Alumni Chapter

of the Fraternity under the name and title of

Fresno, California Alumni Chapter of Sigma Chi Fraternity

vested with all the powers and privileges given to and subject to the obligations required of such chapters in the Ritual, Constitution and Statutes of the Fraternity.

Dated this eleventh day of June, 1950



John Neal Campbell
GRAND CONVOY
Alvin Easton
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Robert L. Bourne, AΩ'37
Sewell D. Collins, Ω'14
Gabriel Pent Cummings, AT'14
Arthur H. Drew, AΩ'10
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Allan F. Hutton, AΨ'07
George W. Huffnutt, BΔ'35 AT'37

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