

Minor AEG note

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Allen Short — 22 Mar 2010, 18:01

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Fernando Gouvea — 22 Mar 2010, 18:07 · in reply to Allen Short

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David Stockhoff — 22 Mar 2010, 22:51 · follows Fernando Gouvea

Well, it figures Wolfe would notice Green Goddess salad dressing. I suppose there isn't a salad dressing with "wolf" in its name, so one works with what's at hand. ;)

And the time-travel toast joke seems in line with the use of salad dressing names.

Message: 1

Date: Mon, 22 Mar 2010 11:01:24 -0700

From: Allen Short <washort42 at gmail.com>

To: urth at lists.urth.net

Subject: (urth) Minor AEG note

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<f147f7e11003221101i6300179dg13dd9c5dc2ec9a54 at mail.gmail.com>

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To: urth at lists.urth.net

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