

Sort of . . .

a birthday round, for Larry Polansky

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♩ = 50 (1)

present

Like chip - munks scimp-er - ing a - cross the road, birth - days (though they do not have legs,

(2)

quietly, in the distance *present again*

and don't go chuck-chuck-chuck-chuck-chuck-chuck-chuck-chuck-chuck) run quick-ly out of sight. Like

(3)

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birth - days swift - ing a - cross the years, chip - munks

(4)

more presents? *more*

(though lack - ing can - dles and a frost - ed cake) dis - ap-pear, like a met-a - phor with stripes. Like