Religious Scholars Debate Controversial New Text

Bringing together scholars of various faiths, religious leaders met at the Vatican last weekend to discuss a recently uncovered and highly controversial new text. The text was received by Umar ibn Qaboos, a Hanifi Islamic scholar from Oman. Sent from a girl named Emily, a companion of Qaboos, the text simply read, “I miss you we should hang out.”

“The text confused and challenged everything I thought I understood,” said Qaboos, “Both in terms of my faith and my relationship with Emily. So I called a meeting of my fellow scholars so they could consider the timing of the message,” said al-Ramadi, from al-Aqsa University in Egypt. “Ten PM is too early for a booty call, while still being just late enough to have a sexual connotation. Then there’s the time Qaboos and Emily drunkenly hooked up at Kappa Sig freshman year. That certainly complicates things.”

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Others, like Shafi Muslim scholar Abbas al-Ramadi, take a different perspective. “We must consider the timing of the message,” said al-Ramadi, from al-Aqsa University in Egypt. “Ten PM is too early for a booty call, while still being just late enough to have a sexual connotation. Then there’s the time Qaboos and Emily drunkenly hooked up at Kappa Sig freshman year. That certainly complicates things.”

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The scholarly conference is expected to run for weeks, as no consensus seems within reach. In the meantime, WUnderground reached out to Emily for comment.

“Yeah, I probably would have hooked up with him,” she said. “But now that he hasn’t texted me back for like 4 days I’m kind of not feeling it.”

Dr. Ben Carson: “As a Fetus, I Would Not Just Sit There During an Abortion”

Republican presidential hopeful and Muppet surgeon Ben Carson made waves Thursday with his daring new plan to stop women from getting abortions. Building on the logic of his controversial comment about mass shootings from early October, the doctor argued that fetuses should take a more aggressive stance against their attackers.

“I said before that people should rush an active shooter,” said Carson, doing an above average job of stringing words into a coherent sentence. “Likewise, fetuses should go after anyone who invades the sanctity of the womb, and they should go after them with everything they’ve got,” he continued, losing all that good momentum he had built up in the first clause.

“I want to plant in people’s minds what I would do in a situation like this,” Carson

Pentagon Orders More Drone Strikes in War on Christmas

That Hotline Bling Can Only Mean One Thing, Sources Close to Drake Report

Armour Celebrates Successful Rebranding

IDK but it’s glossy

Scientists: Getting High at 2AM Linked to Pizza Pockets Mashed into Carpet

Overzealous Auto-Flush Toilet Whisks away Pre-Frosh

Buried WUnderground

Counterpoint: Porn is Good

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Dear Chancellor Wrighton,

On behalf of everyone here at WUnderground, we would like to apologize. We’ve been harsh to you over the years, unfairly so, and it’s time to right our wrongs. Though WUnderground is Wash U’s premier [only] satirical newspaper, there is a line when it comes to poking fun at members of our community, and we’ve crossed it.

For example, we’d like to apologize for our recent claim that you trained your golden retriever to attack students who receive financial aid. This is a wildly unrealistic portrayal, as we know that Grace is a sweetheart and it is in fact your black lab, Dodger, who won’t eat his kibble unless it is mixed with students’ viscera and a shredded copy of the FAFSA.

Similarly, we want to express regret for our headline from Issue 12.2, “Sex Swing Recall has crossed it.” We know that you are a savvy consumer of products that facilitate the acrobatic sexual congress on which you and Mrs. Wrighton pride yourselves. You would never purchase a sex swing (or any other instrument of aerial coitus) of inferior quality, and in the case that such a purchase did occur, you would calmly rectify the situation.

We apologize for calling you a “notorious cyberbully,” a “figure with a puppet head,” and a “face that only a mother could love.” Actually, we didn’t call you that last one, but we definitely talked about it in a meeting and for that we are sorry.

We also did a disservice to you and the Wash U community at large when we wrote in a past issue that you “treat the issue of sexual assault and harassment with the utmost seriousness,” because all involved know that such a statement is illebsus and untrue.

Finally, we are writing to apologize for our misleading visual representations of you. Let the world know that you, Chancellor Mark S. “The Thunder from Down Under” Wrighton, are not Donald Trump, a buxom football referee, a beautiful butterfly, the owner of an ironic sweater with bananas on it, a can of cranberry sauce, or (especially not) the back left pocket on a pair of mom jeans.

Hopefully this letter will clear the air between us and buy us some pre-emptive amnesty for some things we’re going to do next semester. We sincerely apologize for our actions and we beg your forgiveness.

Forever yours,

The Editors

P.S. We made this for you!

An Open Letter to Chancellor Wrighton

Best St. Louis Ribs, by a Starving African Child

Salt & Smoke: 2/5

“The only advantage of Salt & Smoke is that it’s only a 20 minute walk from the South 40. The rub was certainly unique—it was overloaded with brown sugar like nothing I had ever tasted before. I had also never seen at a restaurant that pairs Bourbons to its ribs, and I probably will not ever again. The contrast between the sting of the alcohol and the sweetness of the barbecue was too polarizing for my liking. Their sauces were particularly pathetic: my distinguished palate could not differentiate between the ‘Hotangy’ and the ‘Mustarolina.’ The Maitre D wouldn’t stop raving about them both for whatever reason; I wouldn’t be surprised if she was out of a job within the next few weeks.

Vernon’s: 1.5/5

“While finding a parking spot was an effort in futility, it was still the most pleasant part about the whole dining experience. Vernon’s had the most ‘meat on its bones’, but when everything was overcooked to such a distressing degree, that becomes more of a negative than a positive. What protein shavings I could manage to gnaw off the charred cinders that they called ribs were coated in way too much cumin and paprika, with not a hint of garlic or cayenne to round out the flavor profile. The sauce was passable, which is good since I had to heap it on just to drown out the aftertaste.”

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WUnderground Reviews

WashU’s Campus, by Two Prospective Students

Prefrosh Who is Going to Get Rejected: 4/5

“What a beautiful campus Wash U is. I can’t help but admire its symmetry, intricate architecture, and general buzz. It just sucks that my ACT score of 27 and 3.33 GPA makes my application a bit more distinguishing, though a bit more distinguishing, though.

Prefrosh Who is Going to Get In: 4.5/5

I had a very good time on my visit too Wash U. The school is very pretty and nice. Also I liked the beds because they are big and soft. Maybe next year I will be able too go two WashU.

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Dr. Ben Carson (Continued)

explained to an uncomfortable-looking woman at a bus-stop. “As an embryo in the first trimester, I would not just sit there and allow a crazed obstetrician to administer a fatal dose of misoprostol. I would rush him, you know, I would writh[e]e around in there and defuse the situation.”

Villainous women who seek to halt their pregnancies terminated criticized Carson’s declaration that “unborn children in the womb are excessively inert and, by implication, at fault for their own abortion.” Carson later clarified his stance: “I do not condone abortion – my position remains.”

Hitler to consider adoption for her very least I would encourage Mrs. Hitler to consider adoption for her little boy.”

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Mallinckrodt Pharmaceuticals Assures Citizens that Radiation Will Give Everyone Superpowers

Responding to concern about fires near its nuclear waste dumps north of St. Louis, Mallinckrodt Pharmaceuticals assured citizens that the possible release of airborne radiation would actually have positive health effects, like giving everyone superpowers. The fires, which have been burning for nearly five years, have been getting closer and closer to the nearly 9,000 tons of nuclear waste dumped by the company in 1973.

“Peter Parker was bitten by a radioactive spider, and he got cool superpowers!” the company explained in a press release. “Instead of being bitten by a spider, we’ll all inhale radioactive air, which has got to be way more potent. Just imagine the possibilities!”

Undercutting the optimistic tone of the previous comments, the press release also included a disclaimer indemnifying the Mallinckrodt company for any ill effects of the radiation. The document advised medical attention for anyone experiencing super strength or the capability for flight lasting longer than four hours.

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June 3rd, 1453 - Study abroad in Constantinopole canceled after city sieged

“Our big concern is that credits earned under the Ottoman curriculum may not be approved by some departments,” said Dean Cunningham.

September 8, 1789 - Presidential Candidate George Washington: “I would abort baby King George”

“I cannot tell a lie,” said Washington, sharpening his hatchet. “I would chop him down like a fetal cherry tree.”

October 12, 1492 - Columbus arrives in America, Natives protest inclusion of

“This is our land, not yours,” they said, waving their spears and arrows.”

November 1, 1869 - WashU invents football, promptly loses to U Chicago

“Dude, I heard they don’t even invent football here anymore,” said a WashU student.

January 5, 150,000,000 BC - Olin Library to be Rebuilt

“After studying the ancient tomes, we determined that the building was not fit for scholarly pursuits.”

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March 9, 111 BC - Plebeians Protest Inclusion of Peabody CEO in Roman Senate

Protesters made their distaste known by camping outside the Curia Hostilia for a week and a half before getting bored and going home.

April 13th, 335 BC - Sophomore Alexander the Great Conquers 40 New Acres

“South of Forsyth, the great Alexander conquered 40 new acres.”

December 12th, 2215 BC - The Move Tonight: Sodom and Gomorrah

“Dude, I heard they don’t even end in DUC 232.

December 1, 2015 - WUnderground Through the Ages

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What Do You Think?

WUnderground recently hit a milestone 1,069 likes on its Facebook page. WDYT?

1. "Haha I get it, 69 because it’s like the sex thing! Nice one guys."
2. "You called your professor "dad" because it’s like the dad thing!"
3. "Your professor is your mom"
4. "Your professor isn’t your real mom, but your dad is in love with her even though she’s evil, so you and your twin sister who you met at camp have to scare her off with a series of increasingly zany pranks so that your parents can get back together"
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9. "You called your professor "mom," and you feel strangely at peace about it"
10. "You called your professor "mom," and you feel awkward about it"

Top 10 Things To Mention in Your Course Evaluations:

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