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Joshua Wiltbank
Pleasant Grove, UT
November 27, 2018

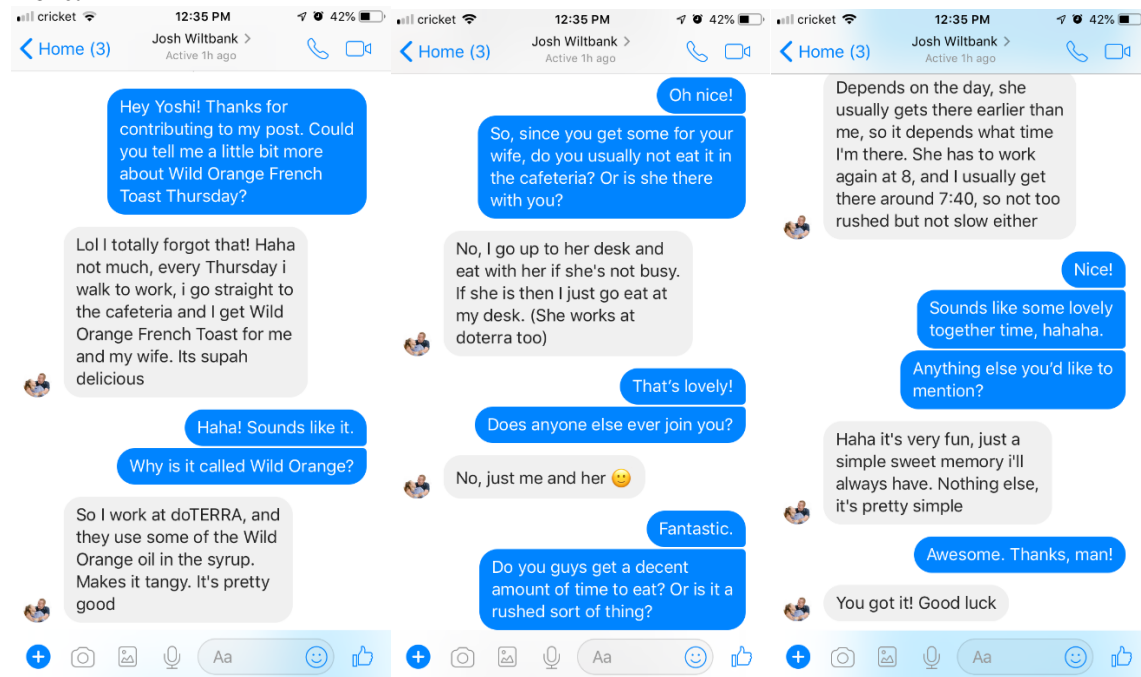
Title: Wild Orange French Toast Thursday

Genre: Calendar Custom

Informant: Josh Wiltbank – I’ve always called him Yoshi – is from Lehi, UT. He and I attended Junior High and High School together at Willowcreek Middle School in Lehi and Westlake High School. Yoshi is a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, and he fairly recently returned home from serving a full-time church mission. He is recently married and works for doTERRA. I’m not sure if he is attending college at the moment or not. His dad is a pretty well known and liked school counselor at both the junior high and high school we attended. Josh is a musician and plays percussion, and he and I met while playing in junior high and high school band together. He currently lives in Pleasant Grove, and that is where he was when we had this conversation online through Facebook Messenger.

Context: doTERRA is where Yoshi has this meal that has become a tradition for him. I found out about this tradition of Yoshi’s through a Facebook post where I asked for people to talk to me about their food related traditions. I messaged Yoshi directly about this tradition a few weeks after my initial post. I don’t frequently see Josh share on social media, and this is one of the first time he and I have talked in years. This custom is something that he does in a work place environment. His wife also works there, so he is able to eat this unique meal with her.

Text:



Texture: Yoshi and I graduated together in 2014, and this is the first time that we’ve talked to each other since. We were more friends by proximity, and so we never really spent a lot of time together outside of band. I was worried that having this conversation through Facebook Messenger would be a little awkward or stiff considering those facts, but it felt very natural. Yoshi seemed happy to talk about this tradition, and he freely shared a lot of details. He seemed

happy to talk about the specific place that he worked, he mentioned his wife (and he used an emoji in relation to her), and he seemed to feel fondly of this tradition.

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