The Green Side Of The Grass

On the other side of fifty, There is something you should know. The eyesight fades, the hearing fails, And when you sneeze, the bladder goes. The walk becomes a shuffle, The bathroom is now your friend, 'Cause without a single warning, You've got to go again. The wrinkles in that mirror, Just can't be on your face, You think a stranger's in the house. 'Cause your things get out of place. Arthritis comes to visit, Gravity takes itstoll, The list of meds is growing, Just part of getting old. Look on the bright side... You're on the green side of the grass! You're not six feet under; This day is not your last! Though there may be senior moments, 'Cause the memory is fading fast. At least you're on the green side of the grass!

You wake up with the chickens, You're in the bed by eight. You want your senior discount, You worry about your weight. You can't be in a hurry, Your pace is like a snail. The highlight of the morning, Is when you check the mail. You eat the early bird special, 'Cause you don't drive at night. And about the hair... It's not gray, it's just gotten light. You up all hours of the night,

You've been told that you snore,

And when your friends ask how you're doing, You let them know the score. So tomorrow if you wake up, With the pain you just can't bear, Lift it up to God above, And say this simple prayer: "Lord heal my aching body, Help my feeble mind, Handle all of my problems, Slow the hands of time. Though I look into the mirror, And don't like what I see, Give me strength, Lord Jesus, to be everything I can be."

Look on the bright side... You're on the green side of the grass! You're not six feet under; This day is not your last! Though there may be senior moments, 'Cause the memory is fading fast, At least you're on the green side of the grass! that the sting and the One day you will be with Jesus, And your body will be whole. Look forward to tomorrow, Don't worry about getting old.

News Snippet

Taylor Pfeiffer entered only one talent quest in Tamworth "The A.B.B.A. Oz Talent Quest".

Taylor says, 'I'm honoured to have been awarded First Place, winning \$1,000 towards my music. If you would like to find out more about my Tamworth experience, please head to my website www.thebanjogirl.com.au'

Well done Taylor. Hope to see you again soon.



Remember Luke

Triple Golden Guitar winner Luke O'Shea has released his latest single from his new album -*Sing You Up* – The Album is due to be launched this month (March 2014.)

The single – *Three* Brothers (The Great *War)* was written to "punch listeners in the nose – with the hope song's message will be forever remembered!"

Eddie Patterson



It was early last year (2013) that I first met Eddie Patterson. He had asked if it was OK to use the band's microphone.

He walked on stage and recited a poem catching the attention of everyone in the audience.

Shortly after that I sat down with Eddie and had a chat about the poem he had written. He said he had been writing poetry for many years, and at home, has a huge box filled with his work.

Sadly, at the Elizabeth RSL Club's 2014 New Year Show it was announced that Eddie had recently passed away.

As a tribute, Jodie Thompson and Annitta have submitted this poem written by Eddie.

When someone we love departs this life Be it mother or father, husband or wife We start to wonder is there justice around When people so bad can still be found

But God doesn't work in the way that we'd

The good ones bless and the bad ones strike There's a time to be born and a time to die While those left behind can just mourn and

But just stop and think that their suffering is

Remember the good times, the smiles and the

If you grieve too long self -pity sets in This can take over from love and would be such a sin

Edwin Patterson

Thanks for your words Eddie. May you rest in peace.

GCMC Editor





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The Garage Door

The boss walked into the office one morning not knowing his zipper was down and his fly area wide open.

His assistant walked up to him and said, 'This morning when you left your house, did you close your garage door?'

The boss told her he knew he'd closed the garage door, and walked into his office puzzled by the question.

As he finished his paperwork, he suddenly noticed his fly was open, and zipped it up.

He then understood his assistant's question about his 'garage door.'

He headed out for a cup of coffee and paused by her desk to

'When my garage door was open, did you see my Jaguar parked in there?'

She smiled and said, 'No, I didn't.

All I saw was an old mini van with two flat tires.

Gawler Ageing in Style

The Gawler Country Music Club and Workshop will have representatives at the Gawler Ageing Expo, promoting the Clubs activities and providing entertainment on stage in the Youth Shack.

There will be around 65 stalls at the venue promoting activities and equipment to help make the opportunities and life experiences of us **Seniors** more pleasant.

Come along and enjoy the activities, the goodies and free entertainment.

Where? **Gawler Sports & Community Centre**

When? Thursday March 13th 10am to 2.00pm

Sunday 16th March 12noon 'til 4.00pm



Carole Sturtzel & Wild Oats

with guest **Nicola Prince**



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