

Leoni Visits the USA

Leoni was off for one of her overseas holiday trips to the USA.

Her four friends from **Gawler Country Music Club** were so excited by the opportunity to travel overseas on a holiday with car hire included in the package deal from **Harvey World Travel**.

With **Leoni** carefully tackling the left-hand-drive vehicle, and trying desperately to keep to the correct side of the road, a Massachusetts state trooper sitting at the roadside spots her car pattering along at 24 mph.

He thinks to himself, "This driver is as dangerous as a speeder!"

He turns on his flashing lights and pulls the car over.

He notices that there are five mature aged ladies – **Leoni at the driver's wheel**, a passenger at her side, and three in the back; all wide-eyed and white as ghosts.

Leoni, obviously confused, says to him, "Officer, I don't understand. I was going the exact speed limit. What seems to be the problem?"

The trooper, trying to contain a chuckle, explains to her that "24" was the **Route number**, not the speed limit.

A bit embarrassed, **Leoni** grinned and thanked the officer for pointing out her error.

"But before you go, Ma'am, I have to ask, "is everyone in this car OK? These women seem awfully shaken."

Leoni replies "Oh, they'll be all right in a minute, officer. We just got off Route 128."

ANOTHER STAR IN THE MAKING!!!

Joining mum Tracey Raines, and Claypan on the stage was Tracey's 10 year old daughter Josephine.

Josephine is going in a contest, and this was a test run for her.

She chose the song, "Something I Know" and she was very well received by all at Willaston CMC.

Josephine was given a gift from the Club, and later invited to sing another song.

When she announced she was going to perform Celine Dion's love song from the movie Titanic "My Heart Will Go On" my thoughts were this is a hard song, and will put her to the test.

She has a powerful voice, and she gave me goosebumps!!! Josephine bought the house down!!!

Following in the steps of the Sherrah family, Josephine is the third generation O'Brien family with what already appears to be a head start to a promising singing career. Tracey told me Josephine is very keen to learn the keyboard as well.

Well done Josephine - we will be seeing a lot more of you in the near future!!!



Leoni Boyanton

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Adam Returns to Oz

ADAM Brand has returned to Australia to release his new album, **There Will Be Love**.

The country music artist has been based in the US for the past few years, touring with country pop juggernaut **Taylor Swift** and writing and recording in Nashville.

But it was important to Adam to finish his album and release it Down Under.

"I really felt that I wanted to be home. I took all the tracks I've been recording over there the past 18 months and brought them back and finished it all here."

Adam said the title track, which is also the first single, is representative of the album's overall theme.

"I always reflect on my own life and the way I view the world. Just like everybody you have good days and bad days. Days where you want to party, days you just want to sit there and look at the sky and ponder the universe."

"In general, I hope that someone puts the album on and listens to it and at the end they feel hopeful. The overall theme of the album is definitely one of hope."

Adam goes from playing sold-out stadium shows with **Taylor Swift** to a more intimate tour of Australian pubs and music festivals.

"The size of the (Taylor Swift) show is just incredible."

"I'd walk on stage and they'd all go nuts, not because they knew who I was but just because they were so excited. We finished off with two nights at Madison Square Gardens. For a bloke from Perth Australia, it was like 'yeah this is pretty cool'."

Adam also returns in a new series of **The Great Outdoors on Channel 7 in September**.

"I've been travelling around meeting people and speaking on the other side of the camera. I've been interviewed quite a lot in my career, but interviewing other people is interesting and fun.

It popped into the schedule at the right time... I felt like someone upstairs was looking after me. Talking to characters and people in small towns and kids, it's been really nice."

There Will Be Love is now in music stores.

Gawler Country Music Club Inc 2012 Ultimate Talent Quest Placings

Section 1. Song Writing

- 1st Nathaniel O'Brien
- 2nd Amy Sherrah

Section 2. Junior 13 yrs & Under

- 1st Taylor Pfeiffer
- 2nd Josephine Rains
- 3rd Ella Radbone

Section 3. Junior 14yrs TO 17yrs

- 1st Nathaniel O'Brien
- 2nd Amy Sherrah
- 3rd Marissa Badrice

Section 4 Gospel 17yrs & Under

- 1st Nathaniel O'Brien
- 2nd Taylor Pfeiffer
- 3rd Amy Sherrah

Section 5 Senior Gospel 18yrs & Over

- 1st Kym Wilson
- 2nd Tammie & Stewart Ray

Section 6 Female Vocal 18yrs & Over

- 1st Kym Wilson
- 2nd Tamie Ray
- 3rd Paige Renee Court

Section 7 Male Vocal 18yrs & Over

- 1st Nathan Bruhn
- 2nd Stewart Ray
- 3rd Jim McMullan

Section 8 Instrumental Open Age

- 1st Taylor Pfeiffer

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