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Quote of the Month:

I know of no time in human history where ignorance was better than knowledge.

Neil deGrasse Tyson

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Seniors Enquiry Line is an information and referral service for Queensland seniors, proudly sponsored by the Queensland Government and operated by UnitingCare Community.

World Elder Abuse Awareness Day (WEAAD)

- 15 June, 2017



WEAAD, designated by the UN, is an opportunity to show you care about ending elder abuse and neglect by wearing purple and hosting your own awareness-raising event during June. Go to

www.elderabuseawarenessday.org.au for details events, suggestions to help with your event, to order posters and wallet cards, or to find out about events being held around Queensland. If you don't have internet access, phone Seniors Enquiry Line on **1300 135 500**. For free and confidential advice on elder abuse, phone the Elder Abuse Helpline on **1300 651 192**.

Exemption from Fees for Paper Bills and Statements

"Keep Me Posted" at www.keepmeposted.org.au is a campaign which is fighting for the right to receive paper bills and statements free of charge as some companies are charging to post them out. It is important that you check to see if you are being charged this fee as you may be entitled to an exemption. It is best to contact your providers as some do have exemptions. If you would like assistance contact Seniors Enquiry Line on **1300 135 500**.

Always my son.

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Trauma Teddies



Do you know how to knit and would like to put these skills to use for a good cause? You may be able to help in creating Trauma Teddies. These teddies are crafted by

volunteers across Australia and are given to children experiencing trauma such as hospitalisation for surgery, impacted by flood or fire or other disasters. If you would like to become a Trauma Teddy knitter, you must register with a Red Cross Trauma Teddy Coordinator in your local area or contact Seniors Enquiry Line on **1300 135 500** and we will be happy to assist you to find your local contact.

Telstra Pensioner Discounts

You may be eligible for discounts with Telstra on a range of items and services, such as fixed line access charges, service connections, fee waivers such as late fees or for having bills posted out and credit card processing fees. You can also request your paper bill in large font at no extra cost. For more information on the Telstra Pensioner Discount and eligibility, please call Telstra on 132 200 or visit your local Telstra shop. There is also a disability equipment program which may entitle you to products such as big button phones, tele-typewriters and cochlear implant telephone adaptors, at the same price as regular phone rentals. For more information about this, phone 1800 068 424.

NBN Fast Facts!

The National Broadband Network (NBN) should be available to everyone by 2020, but has already reached many households. In fact, many people are currently being asked to switch over to the new broadband network right now! It will not happen automatically, so find out more at www.nbnco.com.au. However, be aware and... beware... of scammers! Be on the lookout for scammers pretending to be from companies who request money to help you get access to the NBN. Do not engage with people who call you. Instead, hang up and call your service provider directly with a number sourced from a phonebook or an official website.

The Month of June

- 1793 The first public zoo opens, in Paris.
- 1819 The bicycle is invented.
- 1880 Ned Kelly is captured at Glenrowan
- 1914 The Panama canal is opened.
- 1916 The Returned and Services League of Australia was founded.
- 1916 Mary Pickford becomes first movie star to get million dollar contract.
- 1917 The first Pulitzer Prizes are awarded
- 1920 The US Postal Service rules that children may not be sent by mail.
- 1927 Birth of Slim Dusty.
- 1969 Equal pay for women granted.
- 1978 The comic strip Garfield begins.
- 1978 The first Sydney Gay and Lesbian Mardi Gras is held
- 2004 Jennifer Hawkins wins the Miss Universe contest.

What's On

- 2-3 June 2017 Boonah Show - Boonah
- 3 June 2017 Australian Hand Cane-Cutting Championships - Osborne
- 3-4 June Orchid & Foliage Show - Tannum Sands
- 3 June Move It Expo 2017 - Health, Fitness & Wellbeing – Kalkie
- 4 June Townsville Eco Fiesta - North Ward
- 7 June Bereavement Matters – Southport
- 7-12 June Queensland Caravan, Camping and Touring Supershow – Bowen Hills
- 10-11 June Arts and Crafts Fair – Caloundra
- 11 June 2017 All British Day - Mundingburra
- 16-18 June Sunshine Coast Agricultural Show 2017 – Nambour
- 17-18 June Moreton Bay Motor Show – Strathpine
- 17 June Make A Butterfly Puddle – Karawatha
- 18 June Creating with Pallets – Yeronga
- 18 June An evening with Dr Jane Goodall – South Brisbane
- 21 June Retirement Planning – Mermaid Waters
- 21-22 June Erth's Prehistoric Aquarium – Logan Central
- 23 June – 1 July The Vision Splendid Outback Film Festival 2017 – Winton
- 24-25 June Chrome & Clutter Retro Festival – Laidley
- 24 June - 2 July Lifeline Bookfest - Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre