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Play around with science grants

The Playford Memorial Trust is offering four Science and Engineering Scholarships for outstanding students from regional and rural South Australia who want to study subjects such as Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry, Biology and Geology at a South Australian university. The \$4000 scholarships are aimed at students who are practically or financially disadvantaged because of their home's location in regional and rural areas. Nominees must be South Australian residents who have shown potential for high achievement and are of good character and show leadership potential. Science teachers may nominate students or students may nominate themselves with the support of their science teachers or principal. For more information or application forms, visit www.playfordtrust.com.au, call Mary Anne Fairbrother on 8226 3627 or email fairbrother.maryanne@dpc.sa.gov.au.

How to reduce anti-social behaviour

The Antisocial and Criminal Behaviour Committee has provided State Parliament with a list of recommendations to reduce the number of offenders by focusing on early intervention. The recommendations include prenatal advice, support for expecting parents and continuous monitoring of families being brought to authorities' attention. Committee member and Member for Hammond Adrian Pederick said parents should always attempt to give children the best possible start in life as education and competent parenting could reduce anti-social and criminal behaviour.

Men still paid more

Australian women still earn less than two thirds as much income as men, according to the Australian Bureau of Statistics. The average wage for an Australian man was \$62,699 in 2010-11, while the same figure for women was \$40,312.