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# Oakbank School student awarded Kavel Scholarship

At only 17 years old, Ms Lucey Pfeiffer (pictured with Dan Cregan MP and Principal Bruce Oerman) is quietly determined to fulfill her dream of becoming a physiotherapist so she can help children who have suffered serious injury to walk again.

Seven years ago Ms Pfeiffer's step-sister, then aged 9, was involved in a motor vehicle accident where she sustained a diffuse axonal acquired injury and lost her ability to walk, talk and eat.

"My step-sister spent five months in the Women's and Children's Hospital undergoing constant therapy sessions. I saw first-hand how both occupational therapy and physiotherapy helped her re-gain her mobility and this has influenced my decision to study physiotherapy," said Ms Pfeiffer.

"One day I would like to



help young people, like my step-sister, re-gain their mobility and to walk again," Ms Pfeiffer said.

Ms Pfeiffer was surprised when she learnt she had been awarded the Kavel Scholarship.

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"I felt like my hard work, stressing over assignments and staying up late to study had paid off," Ms Pfeiffer added.

Ms Pfeiffer's mother, Leila Schrapel, said that following

her step-sister's accident, Lucey became determined to follow her dream of working in the rehabilitation field.

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*Psalms 8:3-4 (GWT): When I look at your heavens, the creation of your fingers, the moon, and the stars that you have set in place, what are human beings that you remember them?*

Until I was twenty-seven I had never really thought about God.

Then one of my brothers became a Christian and started to tell me about Jesus and salvation. I didn’t become a Christian straightaway, but the more I thought about what he shared, the more sense the Gospel made to me.

What is the Gospel? What does the Bible say?

The Bible tells us that we are all rebels by nature, that we are all sinners, as much as we don’t like the word. We can see this playing out in the world, Putin is a great example, but much closer to home, in fact in our homes, where people should feel safe, we have the scourge of family violence.

Because we are sinners, God declares us

guilty and sentenced to death, to spend eternity in hell. But we matter to God and so He gives us an opportunity to avoid His punishment. He couldn’t just say that our rebellion doesn’t matter and so, because He loves us so much He sent His own Son, Jesus Christ into the world to die in our place, Jesus was/is our substitute. Because Jesus did not have a human father He did not inherit our rebellious nature. This meant that He could take our place and die the death that we deserved. This is what Easter is all about.

Jesus was crucified by the Romans. Crucifixion was an extremely cruel and public way to die, in fact to make sure that Jesus was dead a

soldier stabbed Him with a spear.

The Good News is that, because Jesus never rebelled, death couldn’t hold Him, and He came back to life and now lives forever. There were more than 500 eyewitnesses to His resurrection.

If we will place our faith in Jesus and what He did for us, we will also receive the gift of eternal life. The Bible puts it this way. *John*

*3:16-17 (NKJV); For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved. If you sincerely ask God to help you to understand the Gospel, He will. Because You matter to Him.*

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Over 700 species of native plants are described with their identifying features of flowers, fruits and seeds and includes a distribution map and information about seed collection, propagation and Aboriginal names and uses.

Lavishly illustrated with photos from the

field, “From One Small Seed” is the ideal book for anyone engaged in the restoration of ecosystems and landscapes in southern and central Australia as well as for plant enthusiasts and people travelling this great wide land.

Neville Bonney has

been at the forefront of promoting and studying native flora for over 50 years and is the respected author of many books, including “Knowing, Growing and Eating Native Food Plants”.

Neville’s book will be launched by Dr Sheryn Pitman at the Hills Environment Centre, 4 Crescent Drive, Norton Summit on Thursday, September 22nd from 4-6pm.

R S V P t o events@hecinc.org.au if you would like to attend and meet Neville. He will be selling copies (\$105 each) which can be signed at the launch.

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“We are very proud of both girls who have strived to succeed in their own ways”, Ms Schrapel said.

Dan Cregan MP, Member for Kavel, said Lucey is a worthy recipient of the Kavel Scholarship.

“It’s an honour to be able to support Lucey who is a caring and compassionate young person,” Mr Cregan said.

Oakbank School Principal Mr Bruce Oerman said that Lucey was a stand-out contender for the Kavel Scholarship.

“Lucey has always

known what she wanted to do as a career and that has helped to shape her subject choices and pathway to university”, Mr Oerman said.

“Our school community was very appreciative of Dan’s support through this new scholarship fund”, Mr Oerman added.

Ms Lucey Pfeiffer has received one of two Kavel Scholarships which Mr Cregan has personally funded, with Mount Barker High School’s Ms Amelia Andrews, the first recipient last month.



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preparation. We have engaged with the CFS, the National Resilience Recovery Agency, local communities, equipment providers and a manufacturer of fire safety bunkers to stage this aspect of the event.

Greg Russell, Chair of the Organising Committee says that there has been particularly strong enthusiasm amongst exhibitors who report that in the post COVID recovery, they have seen a huge increase in the number of established and new residents seeking advice about everything from septic systems, water tanks, power

equipment, landscaping and renovation to feral animal control and raising poultry, sheep and goats on peri-urban properties.

Greg also highlighted the support the project has received from a number of significant sponsors including Regional Development Australia, Bank SA, the RAA, Nutrien, Emmetts, G & J East, and not least, the Mt Barker District Council.

The Hills Small Acreage Field Days is a community event of the Rotary Club of Stirling with funds raised to be used by Rotary programs in the local community. Rotary is pleased to be working with our local partners, the Echunga Recreation Grounds Committee.

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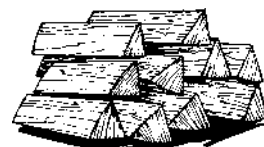


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