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FINANCE FORUM The State Board of Education will have an emergency summit on school reform. "Hope for the Children - An Emergency Convocation on Educational Reform and School Finance," 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday, Sept. 13, at the Lansing Civic Arena, 605 W. Allegan. The forum will allow discussion on ways to fund public schools after the state Legislature cut \$6.3 billion in property taxes for school operations.

MUSICAL NOTE Warner Middle School seventh-grader Ari Ergas Shwayder spent eight weeks this summer at Interlochen Arts Camp, where he

received the scholarship award as the Outstanding Musician in the junior boys' division. He also received awards for his work in drama, visual arts and environmental students. He is the son of Almeo Ergas and Thea Shwayder of Farmington Hills, and studies violin with Mark Mutter of Suzuki Royal Oak.

TECH THIS OUT Farmington High students Duncan McRae, Ryan Marler and Matt Domagalski along with Harrison High student Alexander Ayzengart recently attended Michigan Technological University's 21st annual Summer Youth Program. They were among approximately 1,500 students attending this summer's 65 different week-long sessions. Program design focuses on career exploration and developing new skills through laboratory, classroom and field experiences. McRae and Marler are the sons of Duncan and Judy McRae. Domagalski is the son of Bryan Domagalski of Sterling Heights and Paula Kaberline of Farmington Hills.

Ayzengart is the son of Leonid and Eva Ayzengart of Farmington.

WRIGHT WAY Lauren Shubow of Farmington Hills was one of 27 high school students to participate in a two-week Forensics Institute offered by Wright State University's Office of Pre-College Programs. The Forensics Institute was offered as a one or two-week option and provided students numerous speaking and debating techniques including affirmative cases, negative case arguments and theoretical positions. Critical thinking and speaking styles were also stressed in each of the sessions.

HOWDY DO Wood Creek Elementary has some new faces on staff this school year. Third-grade teacher Lynda Eckstrom moves from Forest to Wood Creek this year as a result of a reduction in staff.

Fourth-grade teacher Carol Hansen returns after teaching a year of special education at Wood Creek. Stacey Sharpe and Andren Sundock are on board as new fourth-grade teachers, having previously served as substitute teachers in the district. Greg Ambrose will teach physical education part-time and Joyce Hollingshead, a special education teacher at Eggle, will be assigned to Wood Creek part-time.

SUPER MARIO GEMS Forest Elementary students Ethan Goodman and Adam Hertz have been selected to serve on the members of the national Mario Peer Advisory Panel. The Nintendo sponsored program promotes empowering children to take responsibility for themselves and others while working to build a better planet. The advisory panel will select among hundreds of applicants, nine members and 50 "pinch hitters" named to the Super Mario All-Stars Team.

Botsford names program director

Botsford General Hospital in Farmington Hills has appointed Dr. Leslie Arroyo as its Family Practice Residency Program Clinical director.

Arroyo is seeing patients and supervising residents at the Botsford Family Health Center, 35000 Schoolcraft, Livonia. Her areas of expertise include the management of acute and chronic illnesses, urgent care, pediatrics and gynecology. She received her doctor of osteopathic medicine degree from the Southeastern College of Osteopathic Medicine, North Miami Beach, Fla., in 1986. Arroyo completed her internship at Botsford Hospital in 1987 and her family practice residency at Bon Secours Hospital, Gross Pointe, in 1993.



Dr. Leslie Arroyo She previously practiced at Franklin Medical Center, Sterling Heights, and Pontiac Trail Medical Center, Walled Lake.

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