# Hillsdale High School Update

During the past month, Hillsdale High School hired three new teachers. The new teachers, Ms. Anne Hartman, Mr. Terry Nolan, and Ms. Mary Knowles, officially start when school opens this year, but they have been at the high school on a regular basis to prepare their classrooms and courses for the new school year and to meet with the principal and other staff members.

#### **About the New Teachers**

Ms. Hartman has a B.S. degree from Clark College, where she majored in biology. Anne taught for three years at Reynolds High before coming to Hillsdale. She has been very active in her church and community. She resides in Morningside with her husband, Dale, and two daughters, Ashlee and Melanie.

Mr. Nolan has a B.A. degree with a major in English. He also has an M.S. degree from Garrett University. Terry taught for six years at Worthington High School before entering the business world, where he worked the last five years for Environmental Services, Inc. He and his wife, Sandy, are in the process of moving into the school district.

Ms. Knowles just completed her B.S. degree in Business Education. She returned to Clark College to earn her teaching certification after working at Integrated Computer Systems for the past four years. Mary is a graduate of Hillsdale High, and some may recall that she was a member of the softball team that won a state championship. Ms. Knowles lives with her husband, Ken, and young daughter, Martha, in Millerstown.

#### **Grant Awarded**

Mr. Gary Johnson, head of the Science Department, will serve as the project director for the \$75,000 grant Hillsdale High received from the Morris Foundation. The money will be used to purchase new software for the science laboratories. In addition, the grant supports a series of professional

development workshops for the elementary, middle, and high school science teachers. This grant is the second one Hillsdale has received from this foundation during the past six years.

### **Professional Development**

Early in the new school year, Dr. James Jenson, President, Center for the Improvement of Schools, will speak to all of the district's teachers. His presentation will focus on what changes schools need to make to prepare students for a world where business is carried out internationally, communications are instantaneous, and people from various societies must be able to live and work together.

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