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News Highlights

- Debate Team Continues to Dominate
- Ms. Poquis Selected as Consultant for National Math and Science Initiative
- Mr. Bourjaily and Dr. Halla Picked to be AP Readers

At Robinson Secondary School, Hayfield debater, **Erica West**, placed 1st in the Lincoln Douglas debate and won debates against Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology, Marshall High School, and Loudoun Valley High School on the topic "In the U.S. the current income disparities threaten democratic ideals."

At the *Washington-Arlington Catholic Forensics League* debate held at Lake Braddock Secondary School, **Erica West** and **Colby Dickinson** earned a 3-1 record and placed 7th out of 42 participants in Varsity Public Forum Team Debate. **Kelly Rene** earned a record of 3-1 and placed 7th out of 31 in Varsity Lincoln Douglas Debate.

In the debate held at Hayfield Secondary, **Kelly Rene** placed 1st in Varsity Lincoln Douglas Debate while **Erica West** and **Colby Dickinson** placed 4th in Varsity Public Forum Debate.

Advanced Placement (AP) English Language teacher and department chair, Mrs. **Theresa Poquis** has been asked to work as a consultant for the *National Math and Science Initiative*, working with minority high school juniors from the Bronx and Queens area on AP level writing skills. Through this program she will teach three Saturday sessions at Baruch College in NYC, one in January, and one each in February and March.

Social Studies teachers, **Monte Bourjaily** and **Ken Halla**, have been respectively invited by the *Educational Testing Service* to grade Advanced Placement US and US Government exams this summer. Mr. Bourjaily will be heading to Louisville while Dr. Halla will be attending the “reading” in Salt Lake City.