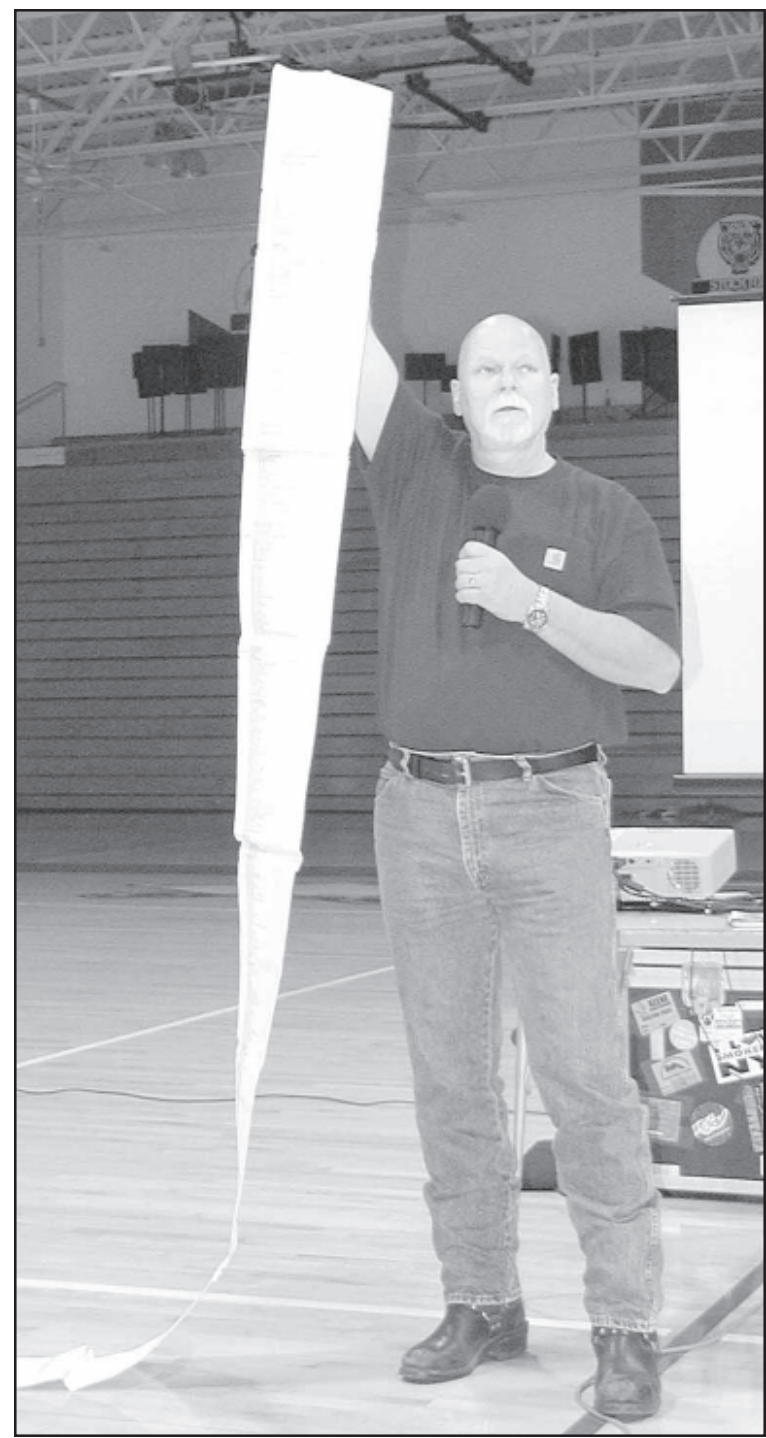


The race for eggs is on...



Children of all ages were running to and fro trying to find and pick up every candy filled egg they could Saturday afternoon during the annual Easter Egg Hunt in Norton. The courthouse lawn was packed with the young hunters, while their parents watched.

— Telegram photos by Veronica Monier



Rick Stoddard, an anti-smoking advocate, displayed the printout of all the chemicals contained in cigarette tobacco. Mr. Stoddard spoke to Norton and Northern Valley high school students in an assembly recently.

— Telegram photo by Carolyn Plotts

'It's never the wrong time' is speaker's message

By CAROLYN PLOTTS

At age 46, Rick Stoddard's wife, Marie, died.

In her obituary he stated her death was from cancer directly caused by cigarette smoking. From that time on, Mr. Stoddard has been a vocal anti-smoking advocate.

At the invitation of so-sponsors — the Norton County Health Department and the Kansas Tobacco Quit Line — Mr. Stoddard spoke to an assembly of Norton and Northern Valley high school students.

Some of the early danger signs include: a sore throat that does not heal, a lump or white patch, a prolonged sore throat, difficulty in chewing, the feeling of something in the throat. Pain is rarely an early symptom.

He impressed upon the students the seriousness of a decision to smoke or chew tobacco saying, "It's never the wrong time to do the right thing."

To learn more about his efforts to stop teenage smoking go to his website www.rickstoddard.com.

Nothing stops the Husky forensics team

Not even a tornado watch daunted the Northern Valley forensics team.

On March 30 the team drove to Smith Center and along the way they encountered heavy rain and the threat of a tornado. However, their spirits were not dampened.

Barb Redeker accompanied the team and represented Northern Valley as a sponsor and judged the first two rounds. Irma Lauren and

Joyce Schemper supplied homemade cookies for the team to enjoy during the drive.

Students making the trip were: Emily Zillinger, Cody Callaway, Hannah Hawks, Amanda Hopkins, Jesi Zillinger, Amy Shearer, Travis Redeker, Stanton Nelson, Tom Bartley, Kylenea Hager, Jessie Redeker, Alysia Shearer, Ethan Hays, Patrick Hammond and Jessica Largent.

Students making it to the final round and their placings are: Emily Zillinger, third in Extemporaneous; Amanda Hopkins, fourth in Serious Solo; Jesi Zillinger, first in Informative; Travis Redeker and Stanton Nelson, fourth in Duet Acting; Tom Bartley, third in Oratory; Jessie Redeker, third in Prose; and Ethan Hays, first in Prose.

As a team, Northern Valley finished third out of ten schools.

HONOR ROLL

Northern Valley High School

Third nine weeks

Highest

Seniors — Joey Copper, Clarke Nelson

Juniors — Jessica Holmes, Ashley Kingham, Andrea Lowry, Abigail Ponstein

Sophomores — Hannah Ponstein, Jessica Zillinger

Freshmen — Stanton Nelson

Honors I

Seniors — Patrick Hammond, Cole Kinderknecht, Frans Laubscher, Andrew Sheley

Juniors — Kelli Cole, Jena Jessup

Sophomores — Kylenea Hager, Joni Hilburn, Kelsey Kinderknecht, Stephanie Tubbs

Freshmen — Taylor Hammond

Honors II

Seniors — Brynton Anderson, Casey Dole, Dustin Hillebrand, Cody Lowry, Sareley Salazar

Juniors — Henry Griffiths, Jessica King, Melody Miller, Jessie Redeker, Alysia Shearer, Jessica Wenzl

Sophomores — Amanda Hopkins, Bryce Marble

Freshmen — Brittany Braun, Eagleburger, Hannah Hawks, Drew Britt, Cody Callaway, Drew Erthan Hays, Eric Woodside

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