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ROCHESTER STUDENT WINS ANNUAL TAR WARS STATEWIDE POSTER CONTEST

SPRINGFIELD – Madelyn Noyes, is Illinois' newest tobacco-free spokesperson. She designed the winning poster in the Family Health Foundation of Illinois Tar Wars Poster Contest, held May 5 at the Illinois Academy of Family Physicians (IAFP) Spring into Action Lobby Day in Springfield. Madelyn's "Even Einstein couldn't think of a good reason to do it!" poster beat out 31 other finalists. IAFP members served as judges, evaluating the posters on creativity and positive message about being smoke-free.

Madelyn got the good news at a surprise announcement at her school on Monday, May 16th. Her teacher, Juliette Tinder, and Family Health Foundation of Illinois board member Janet Albers, MD of Springfield made the announcement before her schoolmates and parents, Andy and Cris Noyes.

Noyes' winning poster will represent Illinois at the National Tar Wars Poster Contest July 12-13 in Washington, D.C. The National Poster Winner will be announced on July 12 at a banquet honoring all the state winners. On the 13th, all the Tar Wars state winners will head to Capitol Hill to meet with their members of Congress. Should Madelyn choose to go to Washington for the event, the IAFP Foundation will provide up to \$1,500 in travel assistance funding.

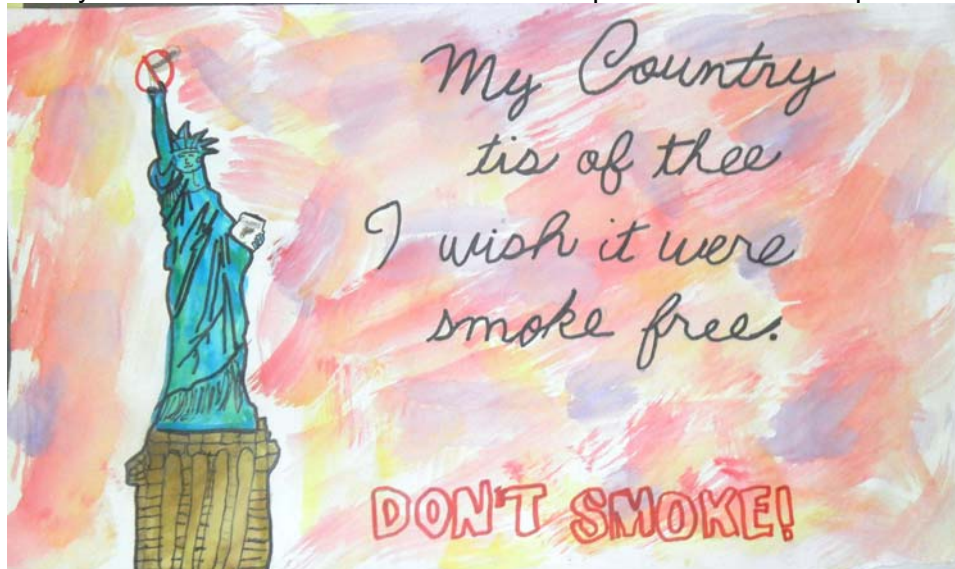
The 2011 Illinois Tar Wars Poster Contest Results:
WINNER: Madelyn Noyes, Rochester Middle School, Rochester
Rochester teacher Julie Tinder presented Tar Wars to Madelyn's class



2nd Place: Taylor Rutledge, Hudson Elementary, Hudson
Carolyn Rutherford of McLean Co. Health Department -Tar Wars presenter



3rd Place: Hadley Hagerty, Oakland Elementary, Bloomington
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Tar Wars, a program of the American Academy of Family Physicians, is at work in schools around the country, as well as in Canada and overseas. The program is free for schools and for volunteers to teach in their local schools or youth groups. For more information, including the complete program curriculum, visit www.tarwars.org.

The Family Health Foundation of Illinois exists to address the philanthropic needs of family physicians in Illinois while supporting the advancement of family medicine through charitable, educational, public service, research and scientific programs. Founded in 1947, the Illinois Academy of Family Physicians represents more than 3,800 family physicians, family medicine residents and medical students dedicated to excellence in family medicine and the patients they serve. Visit www.iafp.com for more information.