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**“MINI-ME” RELAY FOR LIFE**

*Twin Valley Elementary Center Students Raise Funds for June Event*

Elverson, PA – Twin Valley Elementary Center (TVEC) students recently held a Mini Relay for Life during their annual Spring Field Day. The event was sponsored by the TVEC Student Council and raised over \$1,700.00 to be awarded to the American Cancer Society’s (ACS) Twin Valley Relay for Life (TVRL) in honor of the students.

Each student in grades Kindergarten through fifth grade participated by completing two laps around the building’s walking path.

The Mini Relay concept was presented to Mr. Steve Yanni, TVEC 5<sup>th</sup> grade teacher, as well as co-moderator of the Student Council, by Mrs. Christine Osborn, TVRL chairperson and Mrs. Deb Oldham, TVRL committee member. In addition to Yanni, Mrs. Meghan LeClair, TVEC art instructor is also a co-moderator of the Student Council.

The Twin Valley Relay for Life, the signature fundraiser for the ACS, will be held on Friday and Saturday, June 20-21<sup>st</sup> from 12:00 noon on Friday through 12:00 noon on Saturday at the Twin Valley High School stadium. It is a 24-hour event where teams come together to fight cancer.

As part of the festivities, the Relay will feature a Survivor Reception at 5:30 PM on June 20th, followed by the Survivor Ceremony at 7:00 PM. A Luminaria Ceremony is held on the same night at 10:00 PM, whereby participants purchase and decorate bags in honor or memory of a loved one who has battled cancer. Throughout the 24 hours the Relay will include entertainment, bands, activities for kids (old and young alike), a concession stand and various fundraising activities.

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**PHOTO: Mrs. Michelle Gaul, TVEC Kindergarten teacher walks with one of her students, Annabella Acinapura, as the rest of the class follows during one of their Mini Relay for Life laps around the Twin Valley Elementary Center.**