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## **BARE BOOK HITS THE ROAD**

*TVEC Students Share Their Story Cross-Country*

Elverson, PA – We have all heard of the garden “gnomes” that sometimes disappear from a person’s yard only to show up in a photograph from somewhere distant such as California. From there, the gnome often visits more places than most people can visit in a lifetime, than mysteriously, the gnome reappears in its original yard. While a mystery gnome is not making the rounds of the United States, a “Bare Book” written by students in Mrs. Sue Sanger’s Twin Valley Elementary Center (TVEC) Multiage 3-5 class is hitting the road.

Sanger’s students wrote their Bare Book about six of their favorite sports and what they would like to learn more about them. The book, entitled *Amazing Sports*, began making its trek on February 11<sup>th</sup> of this year and has already made its way to Iowa.

A new program created by Tree Top Publishing Company, Bare Book Tracks is a blank book provided to a class in which they are encouraged to use their creativity to author and illustrate a story. Once the story is completed, the book is then passed around the United States through an alliance with truck drivers, or “trucker buddies,” to reach new people and share the story. Each time a book makes a new stop along its journey, the reader registers on the Bare Books website that they have read the book by placing comments in an activity log so that students may read the positive feedback.

Two recent entries in the online log show that one individual gave it to her English Professor to read, who then read the book and made a comment himself. Associate Professor of English Joe Wilkins from Waldorf College in Forest City, Iowa wrote that it was a great read and he thoroughly enjoyed it.

The students hope that the book visits all 48 of the continental states and would be amazed if it reaches Alaska and/or Hawaii.

Further information as well as to follow the journey of the TVEC book can be obtained by accessing [www.barebooktracks.com](http://www.barebooktracks.com).

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Twin Valley School District is an equal opportunity public education institution that is committed to excellence in education. In partnership with parents and the community, the District aspires to prepare students for challenges in an ever-changing world.

**PHOTO: (L-R) Erica Lombardi – 4<sup>th</sup> grader, Maddie Simmons – 3<sup>rd</sup> grader, Joey Brosius – 4<sup>th</sup> grader, and Bradley Hertzler – 3<sup>rd</sup> grader hold a copy of a Bare Book to show what it looks like prior to publishing.**