Fifth-graders build 'heritage' quilt from squares

The Back Mountain Memorial Library and Wycallis Elementary School joined forces to create a quilt that will hang in Wachovia Arena in celebration of its 10th anniversary.

Led by art teacher Caprice Ryman, the fifth-grade class of Fred Weaver at Wycallis Elementary worked diligently the past two weeks transforming plain, white quilt squares into colorful pieces of "heritage." The students used fabric markers to design symbols of their heritage onto the fabric.

Library aide Lois Noble then volunteered to complete the quilt before it heads off to the arena to hang with quilts from other Luzerne County Libraries.

Children's Librarian Janet Bauman explained that the students not only had fun designing the squares, but learned a little bit about each other's heritage in the process.



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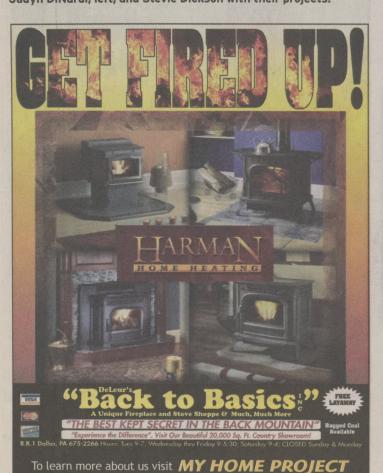
Izaiah Calpin helps Haley Karasinski design her quilt patch.



Eric Rittle's quilt piece is a replica of the sign at the Back Mountain Memorial Library.



Wycallis Elementary School art teacher Caprice Ryman helps Jadyn DiNardi, left, and Stevie Dickson with their projects.



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Fifth-grade students at Wycallis Elementary School transformed plain, white quilt squares into colorful pieces of "heritage." The finished quilt will hang at the Wachovia Arena at Casey Plaza with quilts from Luzerne County libraries.





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