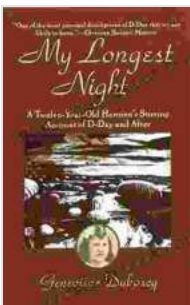


Twelve Year Old Heroine: A Stirring Account Of Day And After

On August 2, 1945, 12-year-old Barbara Johns led a group of students in a walkout of their all-black elementary school in Farmville, Virginia. The walkout was a protest against the poor conditions of the school, which included overcrowding, a lack of basic supplies, and a lack of qualified teachers.

Johns had been organizing her classmates for weeks, and on the day of the walkout, she led them out of the school and into the streets. The students marched to the courthouse, where they presented a list of demands to the school board. The school board initially refused to meet with the students, but after several days of protests, they agreed to negotiate.



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In 1951, Johns graduated from high school and went on to college at Virginia State University. After college, she worked as a teacher and a civil rights activist. She died in 1991 at the age of 55.

Barbara Johns was a brave and courageous young woman who made a significant contribution to the Civil Rights Movement. Her story is an inspiration to all of us who believe in fighting for what is right.

The Day of the Walkout

On August 2, 1945, Barbara Johns woke up early and got ready for school. She was excited because she had been organizing a walkout of her all-black elementary school for weeks. Johns had been working with her classmates to demand better conditions at the school, which included overcrowding, a lack of basic supplies, and a lack of qualified teachers.

When Johns arrived at school, she met with her classmates and they discussed their plans for the day. They decided to walk out of the school at 10:00 am sharp. At 10:00 am, Johns led her classmates out of the school and into the streets. The students marched to the courthouse, where they presented a list of demands to the school board.

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The Aftermath of the Walkout

The walkout led to significant improvements in the conditions at the all-black elementary school in Farmville, Virginia. The school board agreed to add new classrooms, hire more teachers, and provide more supplies. The walkout also helped to inspire other students to stand up for their rights. In the years that followed, there were many other student protests across the country, and these protests eventually led to the desegregation of schools.

Barbara Johns' story is an inspiration to all of us who believe in fighting for what is right. Her story shows us that even young people can make a difference in the world.

Barbara Johns' Legacy

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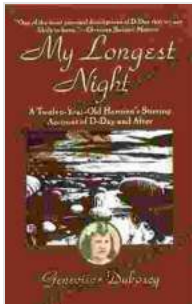
Today, there are many schools and organizations named after Barbara Johns. Her legacy continues to inspire young people to fight for their rights and to make a difference in the world.

Here are some ways to honor Barbara Johns' legacy:

- Learn about her story and share it with others.
- Support organizations that are working to fight for educational equality.

- Volunteer your time to help students in your community.
- Be brave and stand up for what you believe in.

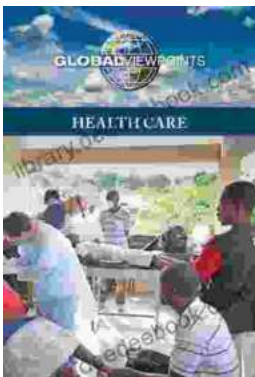
Together, we can make a difference in the world and create a better future for all.



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