

(By Gabrielle Hayes)

Rosa Parks made a big impact on the people in America, she made her mark around the world. Her act of refusing to give up a seat started change in race relations and transportation. Back then, blacks were to sit in the back of the bus. She worked very hard and she was tired. Now you can sit anywhere you want on the buses. Rosa Parks is a leader and fighter for her beliefs. She never compromised what she thought was right. Although she had some personal tragedies in her life, she never showed any signs of loneliness. She is an icon all over the world for Civil Rights. She makes everyone around her do their best. When she was a young woman she worked as a seamstress. She had lost everything she worked hard for when she refused to go the back of the bus.

I can do some good for my community by getting an education and remaining drug free. I can be a role model for my younger brother and sisters. We must stand up for what is right no matter what the cost. In the end we will live safer, longer, and better as imitators of Rosa Parks. Who knows some one day may remember Gabrielle Hayes for making a difference in Indianapolis.

(By Alicia Henderson)

The influence of Rosa Parks on the world community started by her refusal to give up a seat. That one refusal changed public transportation. She started a movement that demanded change with the way things were run. Her hard work and dedication to help the fight for civil rights established her as a firm believer in nonviolence. Parks fought for civil rights even though she herself was suffering terrible personal losses. The lives of her brother, husband, and mother were claimed by cancer. Although going through much pain she never let it show. Through many personal battles she never lost sight of the purpose she set out to fulfill.

What Rosa Parks does shows the true power of one person. Confidence, strong-will and perseverance make her an outstanding leader and role model; she has qualities that not many people have. She embodies the spirit of what one can do if she sets her mind to it. A small step can go a long way toward making a dream come alive.

Rosa Parks is an inspiring person. She helps young people like me realize that the small things we do can add to a greater cause. I, as one person, can help by making sure by generation doesn't forget what people like Rosa Parks did to ensure that African Americans of future generations can live the dream.

(By Ashlee Johnson)

Rosa Parks was a nice and respectful black woman. She made a big difference in this world by standing up for herself. Mrs. Parks influenced others to stand up for themselves by not letting people run over them. The details behind Mrs. Parks standing up for herself is that one day Mrs. Parks had just had a hard and tired day, just like anybody else that works. So Rosa decided to ride the bus home.

Now back in 1955 black people were to sit in the back of the bus, and white people were to sit in the front of the bus. But if there were not enough seats for the white people, the black people were to stand up so the white people could be seated. It just so happened that Mrs. Parks was that black person that was suppose to stand up for the white person, but she did not let anyone disrespect her, and she did not disrespect them either. She just simply told them in a soft toned voice, "I'm not moving." In conclusion by Rosa Parks doing this, she made a big dif-

ference in the world. She influenced them to stand up for themselves.

A difference that I can make in this world for people in general is that I can get people to stop judging people by the way they look. I can influence them to stop saying, "Ohh, girl look at her, she know she look stinky." Instead of just laughing it off, I could say, "What if that was you? You would not want anyone to talk about you. Would you?" To sum it up, this is how I could make a difference in the world.

(By April Johnson)

Rosa Parks made a big difference. Rosa Parks stood up for what she believed and took a stand. She made people more confident and she influenced people to stand up for their rights. Rosa did what any ordinary person could do.

I believe in myself and I believe I could make the same difference. I would stand up for what is right and be my own person. I would demand justice for blacks. I would try to succeed and do what no other black has ever done. I would try to make a difference step by step. I would make a difference on racism and segregation. These are a couple of differences I would make. I like to work hard and make my family proud of me. I will accomplish great deeds in the future and be remembered as an honorable young lady. I will make it so minorities have the same rights as white people. I will try to stop criticism and violence. These are a couple of differences I would try to make.

#### SPECIAL ORDERS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 3, 2001, and under a previous order of the House, the following Members will be recognized for 5 minutes each.

#### HONOR THE FALLEN

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Virginia (Mrs. JO ANN DAVIS) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mrs. JO ANN DAVIS of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, last session I was joined by my colleagues in honoring those who lost their lives or are still missing as a result of the September 11 terrorist attacks upon America by reading their names on the House floor and having them entered into the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD.

Today I would like to again take up the effort to pay tribute and honor the fallen who perished as a result of the attacks on September 11, 2001. This list of over 3,000 names is comprised of many of the victims of the recent horrific attacks on our Nation, including firefighters and policemen who willingly gave their lives in an attempt to rescue others. I intend to read these names for as many days as it takes to bring honor and recognition to those individuals who lost their lives or are still missing.

Mr. Speaker, I encourage my colleagues to call my office to obtain the alphabetical list we are utilizing for this effort, and to join me in this worthy cause.

Mark Petrocelli, Matthew Petterno; Philip S. Petti; Glen K. Pettit;

Dominick A. Pezzulo; Kaleen E. Pezzuti; Kevin Pfeifer; Tu-Anh Pham; Kenneth Phelan; Eugenia Piantieri; Ludwig J. Picarro; Matthew Picerno; Joseph Pick; Christopher Pickford; Dennis Pierce; Bernard T. Pietronico; Nicholas P. Pietrunti; Susan Elizabeth Pinto; Joseph Piskadlo; Christopher Todd Pitman; Josh Piver; Robert R. Ploger; Zandra Ploger; Joseph Plunitallo; John M. Pochar; William H. Pohlmann; Laurence M. Polatsch; Thomas H. Polhemus; Steve Pollicino; Susan Pollio; Darin Howard Pontell; Eric Thomas Popiteau; Joshua Poptean; Giovanna Porras; Anthony Portillo; James Edward Potorti; Daphne Pouletsos; Richard Poulos; Stephen E. Poulos; Shawn Edward Powell; Scott Powell; Brandon Jerome Powell; Tony Pratt; Gregory M. Preziose; Wanda Astol Prince; Vincent Princiotta; Kevin M. Prior; Everett Martin "Marty" Proctor, III; Carrie B. Progen; David Lee Pruum; Richard Prunty; John F. Puckett; Robert D. Pugliese; Edward F. Pullis; Patricia Ann Puma; Jack PUNCHES; Sonia Morales Puopolo; Joseph John Pycior, Jr.; Edward Richard Pykon; Christopher Quackenbush.

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Mr. Speaker, I ask again that the families forgive me if I have mispronounced any of the names, but we do this to honor those who gave their lives. Again, Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in this worthy endeavor.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. SWEENEY). Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from California (Mr. GEORGE MILLER) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

#### TEN COMMANDMENTS SHOULD REMAIN ON PUBLIC BUILDINGS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Indiana (Mr. PENCE) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. PENCE. Mr. Speaker, we are told that "there is a time for everything and a season for every activity under heaven." At this time in our Nation's history, it is undeniable that citizens have found a newfound interest in spiritual things. And until 2 days ago, the Supreme Court was poised to hear a case from my home State of Indiana that was driven by, I believe, this newfound interest in the permanent things in our lives.

Indiana Governor Frank O'Bannon had asked to have the Ten Commandments posted on the lawn of the Indiana State House. It was the governor's purpose to replace a plaque that had been there for decades, Mr. Speaker. It had been desecrated and destroyed by vandals. But on Tuesday of this week,