

Media Advisory

Delaware Department of State

For Thursday, 9 October 2008



Secretary Windsor to Introduce Delaware Day Mascot

Secretary of State Harriet Smith Windsor will be introducing a special Delaware Day mascot to students at Booker T. Washington Elementary School in Dover this Thursday. The mascot, Latimer, was created with the intention of generating excitement among Delaware's youngest citizens for the history of the First State and the upcoming December 7 celebrations.



Named in honor of James Latimer, presiding officer of Delaware's Ratification Convention, the mascot will be attending festivities around the state and will occasionally participate in statewide parades featuring the Department of State's Constitution float, which will also be on display at the October 9 event.

In addition, the Dover High School Rolling Thunder Drumline and Booker T. Washington Elementary School's BTW Steppers will give brief performances. The event will conclude with the entire elementary school student body singing "Our Delaware."

The year 2008 marks the 75th anniversary of the establishment of Delaware Day and the 220th anniversary of the ratification of the federal Constitution. More information on Latimer and Delaware Day can be found at: <http://delawareday.delaware.gov>.

WHO: Hon. Harriet Smith Windsor, Secretary of State
Hon. Carleton E. Carey, Sr., Mayor of Dover
Ms. Marcia Johnson, Principal, Booker T. Washington Elementary School

WHAT: To officially introduce the new Delaware Day mascot, Latimer

WHERE: Booker T. Washington Elementary School
901 Forest Street, Dover

WHEN: Thursday, October 9, 2008, 10 - 10:30 a.m.

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