

The Virginia Girl WEDNESDAY

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Let The Race Begin...



Nationalists

Attorney General
Kimberly Quick
Monroe

Governor
Amanda Lineberry
Draper

Lt. Governor
Kayla Upadhyaya
Wilson



Federalists

Attorney General
Bolanle Muritala
Vance

Governor
Leah Coates
Barrett

Lt. Governor
Asya Simons
Preston

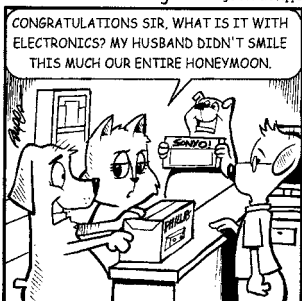
Weather

Thursday, June 25, 2009
High: 91



Mainly sunny.
Winds N at 5
to 10 MPH.
Low: 66
A mostly clear
sky. Winds
light and
variable.

Just Like Cats & Dogs by Dave T. Phipps



Thursday



Today is a dress-up day. Gov. Tim Kaine and governor candidate Bob McDonnell will be joining us. No shorts, no rags, no t-shirts.

Potential and Promise

By Kayla Upadhyaya
WILSON

The Honorable William C. Mims, current Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Virginia, addressed Girls State in Tuesday's assembly, sharing his experiences and ideas on justice and law in Virginia. Mims emphasized the fact that the role of the Attorney General in Virginia's government is important, as it represents the state's best interests in the court of law. The Attorney General will appear in every court in Virginia at some point during the year, representing the state in cases dealing with a variety of issues, including custodial disputes, health insurance fraud, and cases that concern the death penalty.



WILLIAM MIMS

Embracing the theme of Girls State, Mims also spoke about the future that he sees for Virginia. Quoting great thinkers ranging from Plato to Bruce Springsteen, Mims expressed his vision for our generation. Urging us to push past the constant insistence that we are perfect and to instead make something of ourselves, Mims stated that "'best' and 'brightest' are objective standards...the most important measure is not the objective measure, but the subjective measure."

Mims also addressed the rising role of technology in society. He traced the rise of technology, reminiscing back to his first computer, a slow-running, bulky box that probably bore little resemblance to-

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TODAY IN HISTORY 1997



USAF reports on Roswell

U.S. Air Force officials release a 231-page report dismissing long-standing claims of an alien spacecraft crash in Roswell, New Mexico, almost exactly 50 years earlier. Public interest in UFOs, began to flourish in the 1940s, when developments in space travel and the dawn of the atomic age caused many Americans to turn their attention to the skies. The town of Roswell became a magnet for UFO believers due to the strange events of early July 1947, when ranch foreman W.W. Brazel found a strange, shiny material scattered over some of his land. He turned the material over to the sheriff, who passed it on to authorities at the nearby Air Force base. On July 8, Air Force officials announced they had recovered the wreckage of a "flying disk." A local newspaper put the story on its front page, launching Roswell into the spotlight of the public's UFO fascination.

