



## Anything for a laugh

Glenn Evans, a freshman in pre-telecommunications, does his iguana imitation for ABC's America's Funniest People. A crew from the show was at the University Friday auditioning people for a chance to appear on the nationally televised program.

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## South African activist to discuss apartheid

By Catherine Hawley  
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Nomonde Ngubo, a South African labor activist, will discuss the role of women workers in the fight against apartheid at a lecture today sponsored by the Latin American Support Committee and other student groups.

Women are playing a pivotal role in South Africa's labor movement and in the movement for liberation from white oppression, Ngubo said Sunday in a phone interview.

However, South African women have an added responsibility to free themselves from male oppression Ngubo said, adding that like their counterparts in the United States, South African women fill multiple roles of worker, wife and mother.

Ngubo said she is also interested in educating the rest of the world about the events taking place in South Africa; she has been working as a liaison to American mineworkers, teaching them about the effects of apartheid on the black South Africans who also work in the mines.

"Despite the release of Nelson Mandela, the situation of apartheid is mostly unchanged,

in terms of people getting to vote and things like that," Ngubo said.

Ngubo helped organize the Council of Unions of South Africa, established in 1981 to promote black leadership within that country's trade union movement. She was also involved in the formation of the National Union of Mineworkers in 1982.

In 1983 Ngubo came to the United States to continue her studies in industrial and labor relations. She is serving as special international representative for the United Mineworkers of America.

Her speaking tour is sponsored by the Third World Women's Project of the Institute for Policy Studies in Washington, D.C.

Her talk, titled "Women, Culture and Organizing," will be given today at 4:30 p.m. in Room 100 Willamette.

Other groups sponsoring Ngubo's appearance on campus include the ASUO, the Black Student Union and the Women's Center.

"One big focus of LASC lately is to bring in third world women speakers and allow them to speak ... because they are not heard very often," said Amanda Weber of LASC.

## Willamette students rally to protest campus racism

SALEM (AP) — A rally to deplore racism at Willamette University drew hundreds of students and faculty.

Friday's rally was part of a day-long condemnation of racism on campus. Most professors discussed racism at the beginning of their classes Friday.

The events followed by a week the posting of hate messages on the door of a black student's dormitory room.

Vice President Frank Meyer said Willamette officials had no idea who posted the racial slurs. An investigation is continuing, he said.

"We come to condemn this and all acts of bigotry and at the same time contemplate our own complicity in a societal web of prejudice that permits these acts," Charles Wallace,

Willamette's chaplain, said.

Some speakers at the rally also mentioned another recent racial incident at the university, in which two students posted racist signs as a joke.

Meyer said the students were not suspended because officials determined that they did not understand that their actions were racially insensitive.

During the speeches, Lisa Johnson, a Willamette senior, handed out handwritten messages urging faculty to do more than denounce racism.

She urged the university to hire minority faculty members and to encourage more minority students to enroll at the university.

Willamette has no black professors, Johnson said. She also noted that the school offers no courses in black history.

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