

UNIVERSITY

Louisiana civil rights leader to speak

By Carrie Dennett
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As the voters of Louisiana prepare to decide Saturday if Republican David Duke, former Grand Wizard of the Ku Klux Klan, will be their next governor, the national vice president of NAACP will be on campus to offer her insight into this and other issues.

Rupert Richardson will give "An Evening Discussion of Civil Rights" Thursday at 7 p.m. in Room 110 Willamette Hall.

Richardson, also the president of the Louisiana National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, will address issues of national importance such as the Duke campaign, the Clarence Thomas hearings and the Civil Rights Act.

Greg Evans of the Eugene chapter of the NAACP said it is coincidental that Richardson's

visit is so timely. "We had planned her visit way back in August," he said. "It has become more timely now in light of the election. If it weren't for this visit, she would probably be in Louisiana right now."

"She can offer some insight into what is going on in the minds of the voters, and what she is seeing as a veteran of Louisiana politics," Evans said.

On the topic of the Thomas hearings, Evans said Richardson will likely discuss the reasons the NAACP opposed the nomination.

"She was very instrumental in helping shape the stand the NAACP took," he said.

Evans said Richardson also has taken a stand that the Civil Rights Bill going through Congress does not do enough to protect women and children.

Richardson's diverse background includes professional experience in alcohol and drug

abuse treatment, and civic work to promote civil rights and drug prevention. She was named Louisiana's Citizen of the Year in 1989.

A 1952 graduate of Southern University in Baton Rouge, La., Richardson went on to receive her master's degree in education from McNeese State University, and additional study at several universities, including the University of Oregon.

In her two-day visit to Eugene, Richardson will also speak to three classes, meet with University President Myles Brand and have lunch with members of the Black Student Union.

"She is a very down home and a very earthy speaker, and I think students will like her sense of humor," Evans said.

Richardson's visit is sponsored by the University's Office of Multicultural Affairs and the Eugene Chapter of NAACP.

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MEETINGS

EMU Board of Directors House Committee will meet tonight at 5:30 in the EMU Board Room. Call 346-3720 for more information.

International Student Association will meet tonight at 7 in the EMU Walnut Room. Call 346-4387 for more information.

Pacific Northwest Personnel Manager Association will meet tonight from 5 to 6:30 p.m. in Room 228 Chiles. Call 343-8942 for more information.

Asian/Pacific American Student Union will meet tonight at 6 in the Counseling Center. Call 346-8754 for more information.

Pi Gamma Mu will meet tonight at 6:30 in EMU Cedar Room B. Call 484-4819 for more information.

Study Abroad in Germany information meeting will take place today from 3:30 to 5 p.m. in the EMU Walnut Room. Call 346-3207 for more information.

EMU Board of Directors Budget Committee will meet today at 4 p.m. in EMU Cedar Room B. Call 346-3720 for more information.

Students for United Nations/Model U.N. will meet tonight at 5:30 in Room 110 Willamette. Call 342-8264 for more information.

OSPIRG Alternative energy meeting will take place tonight at 6:30 in Room 314 Pacific.

College Republicans will meet tonight at 6 in EMU Century Room F. Call 344-1283 for more information.

The Druids social get-together will be tonight at 5:30 at Pegasus Pizza, 790 East 14th St.

MISCELLANEOUS

Conversation with poet Don Russell will take place tonight from 6 to 8 in Room 307 Chapman.

Health Care Activist Packets will be available at an information table in the EMU today from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Call 484-6854 for more information.

The Conquest of Everest, an Outdoor Program video, will be shown today at 12:30 p.m. in the Outdoor Program office, EMU Room 23. Call 346-4365 for more information.

OPPORTUNITIES

Free DOS 5 Windows workshop covering basic operations for beginners will take place tonight from 4 to 6 p.m. in the Computing Center, Room 165. Pre-registration is required. Call 346-1700.

Enterprise Rent-a-Car will have a group meeting tonight from 5 to 7 in the EMU Maple Room.

Career Planning and Placement Office orientation session will take place tonight from 5:30 to 6:30 in Room 238 Hendricks.

Resume writing workshop will take place today from 2 to 3:30 p.m. in Room 100 Hendricks.

Work abroad presentation will take place today from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. in the Ben Linder Room, and from 4 to 5 p.m. in Room 12 Hendricks. Call 346-3214 for more information.

International Studies Major will be the topic of a workshop exploring the requirements, career opportunities and application procedures for an International Studies Major. The workshop takes place today at 3:30 p.m. in Room 104 Oregon Hall. Call 346-3211 for more information.

RELIGION

Torah Study at Hillel takes place every Wednesday from 3:30 to 5 p.m. and is open to newcomers. Call 343-8920 for more information.

"Is Jesus the Only Way to God?" is the topic of a roundtable discussion sponsored by the Restoration Campus Ministry tonight at 7 in EMU Century Room D. Call 343-4914 for more information.

Student Mass followed by a social with Italian garlic bread will take place tonight at 9 at the Chelsea House, 1851 Onyx St. Call 346-4468 for more information.

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