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Ivan Niven receives Johnson Award

University math prof. Ivan Niven, long active in campus governance and well known for his teaching and research about the fundamental properties of numbers is the 1981 recipient of the Charles Johnson Memorial Award.

Niven, who currently chairs the Faculty Advisory Council,

will receive the honor June 14 at Hayward Field during the University's 104th spring commencement.

A member of the University faculty since 1947, Niven holds bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of British Columbia and a doctorate from the University of

Chicago. Before coming to the University, Niven was on the faculties of the University of Illinois and Purdue University.

The Johnson Award was established in 1979 by the University Assembly in memory of Charles Johnson, teacher and former president at the University.

English, biology profs win teaching awards

University genetics Prof. John Postlethwait and English Prof. Richard Stevenson will receive the 1981 Ersted Awards for Distinguished Teaching.

Postlethwait, 36, currently is conducting a five-year program to train doctoral students in genetics, funded by the U.S. Public Health Service.

According to the selection committee, Postlethwait teaches with enthusiasm and a sense of excitement, and helps personalize education. He has been known, for example, to take pictures of all his students

in order to memorize their names and faces.

Stevenson is a specialist in Victorian literature, English fiction from the 16th to the 20th centuries and the role of the heroine in English fiction.

Stevenson wrote a book on the role of the heroine in the work of 19th century English novelist George Meredith in 1973-74 when he held a Younger Humanist Fellowship from the National Endowment for the Humanities.

The Ersted Awards are given annually to encourage and reward exceptional teaching.

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SPEAKERS

Joel Marrant of Linfield College will speak on Romanian Folklore today at 11 a.m. in Studio C of the Instructional Media Center. The talk is sponsored by the Russian and East European Studies Center.

Diane Jones of the Idaho Citizens Coalition will speak on "Water, Energy, and Land: a Northwest Story" tonight at 7 p.m. in the Emerald Baptist Church, 19th Avenue and Patterson Street. Looking at irrigation development in the Northwest, Jones will raise questions about small farm closures,

the growth of agribusiness, and the increasing cost of electricity. For more information call Clergy and Laity Concerned at 485-1755.

MEETINGS

The EMU Board House Committee will meet today in Century Room F, EMU.

The Incident Fee Committee will meet today at 1 p.m. in the EMU, room to be posted.

The Undergraduate Economics Association will meet today in Room 410 PLC. Officers for next year will be elected.

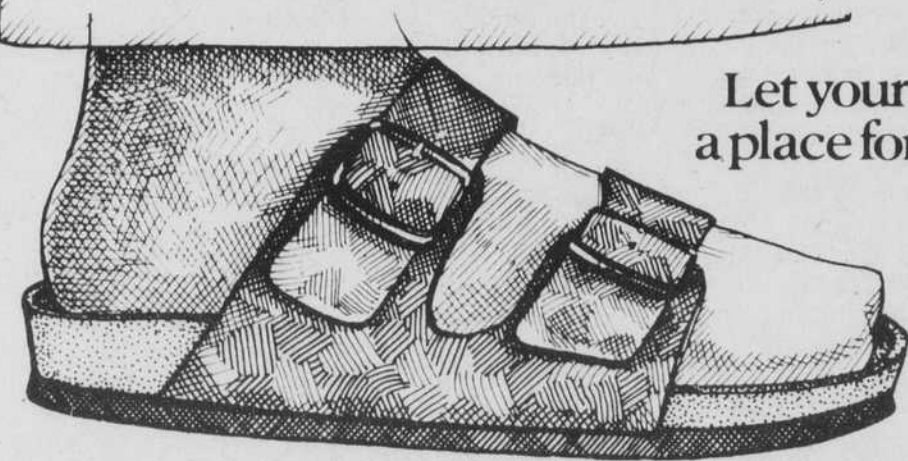
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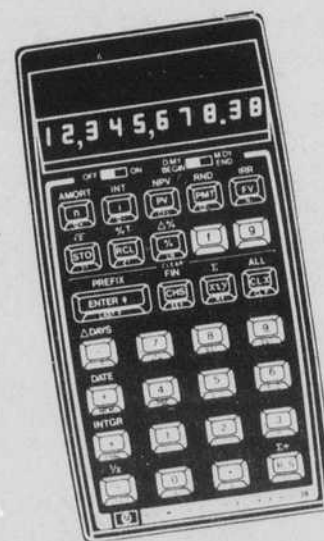
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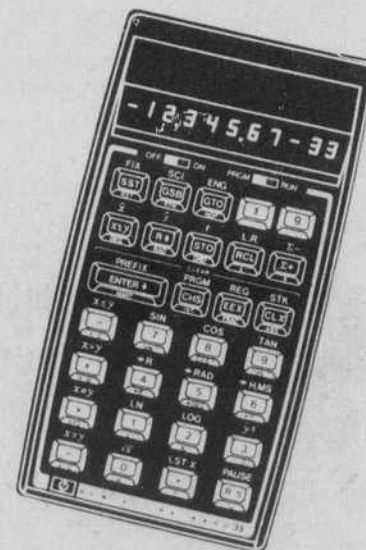


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