Balloon drops Santa at Seiler School

Hundreds of youngsters race after Mr. and Mrs. Claus









Distinguished Service Awards banquet Jaycees want your nominations

PHOTOS:

At upper left, balloonist Dick Hess fires hot air from a giant propane torch into the interior of the balloon before take-off, while an assistant holds the Nomex skirt up away from the intense heat. A balloon is set up by laying it out on the ground, blowing in cool air with a lawn mower attached to a fan, and then heating the air inside. The balloon pops up after it gets some hot air into it.

The top middle photo shows the Jaycees performing a kazoo cantata to announce Santa's arrival by balloon.

At top right, Hess and his assistants straighten out a fold in the balloon's nylon shell before takeoff.

The next photo shows the balloon, bearing Mr. and Mrs. Claus, heading over the trees for a landing at Seiler School, while hundreds of excited people watch.

The balloon soared over the Seiler school yard to get clearance from some high tension lines that were a bit too close for comfort. Hess set the balloon down just past the school yard in a harvested corn field, and kids by the dozen stormed up to the craft to meet Santa.

In the last photo, Santa has deplaned and is handing out presents to the happy kids.



The Mount Joy Jaycees will observe National Jaycee Week during the week of January 21-27, 1979. The finale of the week-long observation will be the Distinguished Service Award Banquet, at which a local young man will be recognized for his service to the community and for his personal development, especially during the year of 1978.

The Jaycees ask the citizens of Mount Joy for their cooperation in making nominations for this award. Nomination forms can be obtained by calling or writing to Robert E. Hoffer, 316 East Main Street, Mount Joy 17552, phone 653-5958.

Nominees for this award must be male and between the ages of 18 and 35. In

addition, the nominee must be a resident of the greater Mount Joy area (the borough and surrounding rural area).

Also—if you know of any individuals, male of female, of any age, who in your opinion should be recognized for service to the community, please submit their names and reasons for recognition. These people will be considered for special awards to be made in connection with the Distinguished Service Award banquet.

All nominations and recommendations must be received no later than January 10, 1979.

Reservations for the January 27 banquet can be made by contacting Robert Hoffer.