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FIFTEEN CENTS



The Rev. and Mrs. Hiestand greet guests

## "This is Your Life" presentation surprises Esther Hiestand Sunday

Esther Hiestand, the wife of Rev. John S. Hiestand, Maytown, was guest of honor at a "This is Your Life" program staged at the Congregational Bible Church, Marietta, this past Sunday evening. The event was in observance of Mrs. Hiestand's 70th birthday (February 1) and was held in lieu of the regular service. A skit, written by her daughter-in-law Barbara Hiestand, included members of Mrs. Hiestand's immediate family, old photographs and persons of significance in her life.

Mrs. Hiestand is the daughter of the late Isaac and Katie Erb. She and Rev. Hiestand have five children: Helen, wife of Roy Burkholder, Lititz; Marion, wife of Larry Carpenter; Nadyne,

wife of Mark Batts, Birmingham, Alabama (they flew up for the occasion); John and Robert, both of Maytown. The couple has thirteen grandchildren.

Born and raised in the Lititz area, Esther had one brother (now deceased) and one sister, Helen, who was present for Sunday's celebration.

Miriam Kauffman was the narrator for "This is Your Life". James Gish, president of church council, brought greetings from the host church.

Following the program, Mrs. Hiestand was presented personal and monetary gifts.

Mrs. Hiestand has been active in the church as a minister's wife, a Sunday School teacher and, current-

ly, president of the Ladies Fellowship of Congregational. She and her husband are the interim Pastors family of the Maytown Church of God. There were at least 55 from that group at Sunday evening's tribute.

Also at the event were the "Merry Maids", fourteen female friends who have been associated since youth; Heavenly Delights, the original kitchen committee from Congregational Bible Church consisting of seven women; and at least three former "fresh air" children, now adults, who with their spouses came from New York to extend greetings to "Mother". In all, over 400 people attended.

Serving as the committee arranging the tribute were Sarah Mull, Joy Newton and Barbara Hiestand.

## M.J. Mathias loves new position; attributes success to fellow workers

"I was a job-hopper until I came to Warner Cable ten years ago," says Mary Jane Mathias. "I would start a new job in September and quit that same job about March or April. I just never liked anything enough to stay. My friends told me that if I kept it up, I would not be able to find a job anywhere."

But Mary Jane has been with Warner Cable of Marietta for the past ten years, and she attributes that to the challenges of the job and her fellow employees—especially manager Ron Ammick.

Not only has Mary Jane stuck with her job; she has done very well at it. In just ten short years she moved from office clerk to her recently appointed position of administrative assistant to the manager.

"Warner is very pleased with how rapidly I moved with the company," Mary Jane grins. "Not only am I one of the first women to hold such a position, but I got here pretty quickly."

Mary Jane's new duties are all in addition to her old duties as office manager. "It keeps me busy," she laughs.

Warner Cable recently merged with American Express and has taken on the new name Warner Amex. "We now have 140 systems in 29 different states," Mary Jane tells us, "and we



Mary Jane Mathias

are one of the largest cable distributors in the U.S. with 665,000 subscribers. But our aim is to be not only the biggest, but also the best."

Mary Jane has many good things to say about the company she works for. She

feels that she is treated fairly and given opportunities equal to her abilities.

"And I can't get over praising the people I work with. If it were not for Ron, I am sure that I would not be

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## This week's calendar

Marietta Youth Center activities will be held weekly through the end of April. All activities will be held at the Youth Center, East Front St., from 7 to 8:30 pm. Listed are the different groups:

Monday, Boys 9 to 12  
 Tuesday, Girls 9 to 12  
 Thursday, Guys 13 to 18  
 Saturday, Youth 13 to 18  
 Anyone interested in more information concerning the Marietta Youth Center should contact Gary Newton at 426-2514.

Marietta Youth Street Hockey practice to be held at the Marietta Community House, Thursday, 4:30 to 6:30 pm. Interested persons should contact Gary Newton at 426-2514.

Monday, February 11, Mount Joy Rezoning Hearing and Regular Council Meeting at 7:30 pm in the Mount Joy Borough Building.

Maytown Ambulance Association Meeting Thursday night, 7pm at the Maytown

Fire Hall For information call Secretary Frank Splain, Jr., 426-1660.

Mount Joy Sweetheart King and Queen Contest Saturday, February 9, at the Trinity Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall. Crowning ceremonies at 10:30. For information phone 653-2688.

Patrick Kenney, Jr. at St. Mark's United Methodist Church, Mount Joy, this Sunday morning and evening.