

# The MSHC Newsletter

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## Vintage Camera Exhibit was Featured at the April 15, 2007 Maywood Station Museum Open House

A special exhibit of vintage cameras from the collections of MSHC members Tim Moses, Gus Aversa, Hector Hernandez, Jr., Robert Pisani and Joseph Katzenstein were displayed at the April 15, 2007 Maywood Station Museum Open House. The three members have held long interests in the art of photography and have collected numerous vintage pieces, which they showed at the Open House. The exhibit was so well received by museum-goers that it was held over for the May 20<sup>th</sup> Museum Open House and will also be shown at the June 24, 2007 Open House.

Since the development of cameras and film in the 1850's, film has been the preferred medium but recently in the past 5 years, photography has gone through many changes and digital format cameras have quickly replaced film cameras. Tim, Gus, Hector, Rob and Joe's collection brought back many memories for museum visitors and raised several questions from our younger visitors since early camera designs looked so much different from what we have today. A tremendous display!



A view taken at the April 15, 2007 Museum Open House showing the exhibit of vintage cameras on display from the collections of MSHC members Tim Moses, Gus Aversa, Hector Hernandez, Jr., Robert Pisani and Joseph Katzenstein. The cameras were exhibited in Maywood Station's newest display case – a monster 6-foot by 6-foot piece that was refinished by MSHC member Tim Moses this past winter and moved into the station by Tim and MSHC member Doug Earls in March. (Photo by Matthew Greco)

## George Haag and Ed Hazuka Remembered with Permanent Bronze Plaques at Maywood Station

On Sunday, May 20, 2007, after the Maywood Station Museum Open House, the MSHC dedicated two bronze plaques on the star of the Maywood Station flagpole in the memories of MSHC members George Haag and Ed Hazuka. Both individuals passed away in late 2006 and were instrumental from the start of the restoration project of Maywood Station and the MSHC wanted to permanently recognize their contributions.

Pastor William von Husen from Crossroads Community Church of Maywood and MSHC members Pat Reynolds and Ed Kaminski spoke during a short dedication attended by families and friends of Mr. Haag and Mr. Hazuka as well as MSHC members.



The MSHC unveiled two bronze plaques in the memories of MSHC members George Haag and Ed Hazuka, who both passed away in late 2006, at the star at the base of the flagpole in front of Maywood Station at the conclusion of the May 20, 2007 Maywood Station Museum Open House. Shown above members of the Hazuka and Haag families and the plaques. (Photo by Hector Hernandez, Jr.)

**MSHC Featured in the March/April 2007 Issue of N-Scale Railroading Magazine**

An article about the Maywood Station restoration and MSHC Caboose 24542 was featured in the March/April 2007 issue of *N-Scale Railroading Magazine*. The article contained background information on the MSHC, the restoration of Maywood Station, Caboose 24542 and the N-scale model train layout being built inside the caboose. *N-Scale Railroading Magazine* plans to do a follow-up full-feature article in their magazine at a later date, which will detail the building of the N-scale model currently being built by MSHC members inside Caboose 24542.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Railroad Day to be held at Maywood Station on June 24, 2007**

The MSHC will host the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Railroad Day at Maywood Station at the June 24, 2007 Open House. Visit [www.maywoodstation.com](http://www.maywoodstation.com) for complete details.

**Maywood Fire Department Day was held at the Maywood Station Museum Open House on May 20, 2007**

The Maywood Fire Department proudly displayed their brilliantly restored 1938 Ahrens-Fox fire engine on the station grounds at the May 20, 2007 Maywood Station Museum Open House. Visitors had the opportunity to inspect the vintage fire engine and take unique photographs of it with Maywood Station as a backdrop. Adults and children alike had a great time sitting in the cab of the historic fire engine and ringing the bell. The bell must have been rung several hundred times.

The MSHC wishes to thank Maywood Volunteer Fireman Frank Lichtenberger for arranging to bring the Ahrens Fox to the Open House and for donating his time to be on hand to give tours and answer visitor's questions.



Maywood Fire Department member Frank Lichtenberger poses with their restored 1938 Ahrens-Fox fire engine in this unusual "fish-eye" lens view taken at the May 20, 2007 Maywood Station Museum Open House. The historic fire engine was a hit at the Open House (Photo by Hector Hernandez, Jr.)

**New Finials Added to Maywood Station Roof**

On March 31, 2007, the MSHC held a special Saturday work session to remove the two temporary finials on Maywood Station's end roof peaks and replace them with two new finials hand worked by Maywood resident, Frank Lichtenberger, that exactly match the finials that were originally found on the station in the 1872-early 1900's period.

In the summer of 2006, Mr. Lichtenberger began working on the finials and completed them in February 2007. The project entailed locating and selecting the correct type cedar wood, drying the cedar to below 10% humidity, turning and profiling the finials on a specialized lathe at the shop of Hubert Mouldings & Millwork in Fremont Center, New York and applying finishing touches. Frank is a master of woodworking and the results of his labor of love surely show.

The work session began at 9am and by 1pm MSHC members had the job done. The finials are just another component of the MSHC's goal of completely restoring Maywood Station to what it once was.



MSHC member Hector Hernandez, Jr. applies the finishing touches on the new finial at the front roof peak of Maywood Station at the March 31, 2007 work session. The intricate looking finials are a fine example of the detail MSHC members are committed to. (Photo by Robert P. Pisani)

**Caboose 24542 Gets a New Silver Roof**

Originally, when Maywood Station Caboose 24542 was painted in the summer of 2005, MSHC members apply a black paint system to the roof. It was recently found that the paint was experiencing a premature failure due to the type paint reacting with the galvanized steel roof. With the help of Maywood Hardware, a compatible silver paint system was found and applied to the roof of the caboose on March 29, 2007 by MSHC members. The added benefits of the new silver paint system include waterproofing and sealing qualities as well as it will keep the interior of the caboose about 20 degrees cooler due to its sun reflective qualities.



MSHC member Matthew Greco is shown applying the new silver paint system on the roof of Caboose 24542 at the March 29, 2007 work session. (Photo by Ed Kaminski)



**Fish Story...**MSHC member Matt Greco poses with a 50-pound, 59-inch Mahi Mahi that he caught off the coast of Cancun on April 23, 2007 while on a family vacation. (Photo by Kristine Greco)



MSHC members Rob Pisani and Hector Hernandez, Jr. work on cutting a profile into the base of one of the two new finials being applied to Maywood Station's end roof peaks at the March 31, 2007 work session. The angle of the profile was very important to ensure an exact fit on the roof peak. (Photo by Doug Earls)



Maywood Girl Scout Brownie Troop #825 visited the Maywood Station Museum and Caboose 24542 on April 16, 2007. The Brownie's are seen posing for a photo. (Photo by Ed Kaminski)

### **Maywood Station H.O. and N Scale Models Available**

Atlas Model Railroad Company H.O. (1/87) scale and N (1/160<sup>th</sup>) scale models of Maywood Station are now available. The models accurately depict the station and include the brick pathway, benches and fencing. They are available in 3 different paint schemes that were originally found on the station – beige/brown; gray/maroon; and pale green/dark green. The model is available for purchase at the Maywood Station Museum on 2007 Open House dates and seven days a week at Maywood Hardware, 39 West Pleasant Avenue, Maywood. Built-up versions of the H.O. scale models are priced at \$38.00 each and kit versions are priced at \$22.00 each. Built-up versions of the N-scale models are priced at \$28.00 each and kit versions are priced at \$18.00 each. More information and online ordering can also be found on the MSHC website at <http://www.maywoodstation.com/>.

### **Engraved Bricks Are Still Available**

The MSHC will continue to accept orders for engraved bricks that will be incorporated into the brick platform that surrounds Maywood Station. Engraved bricks are available in two sizes – 4" X 8" for \$55 each and 8" X 8" for \$250 each. Ordering forms are available at Maywood Station on Museum Open House dates and a printable ordering form with more information is available on our website at <http://www.maywoodstation.com/>. All orders are tax-deductible and will be confirmed by mail with a donation letter. Engraved bricks ordered between January 1, 2007 and June 30, 2007 will be installed at the station in late summer 2007. Engraved bricks ordered between July 1, 2007 and December 31, 2007 will be installed at the station in late winter 2007.

### **Membership in the MSHC**

The Maywood Station Historical Committee is an all-volunteer, 501C3 non-profit, educational and historical society dedicated to the preservation, education and maintenance of the 1872-built New York, Susquehanna & Western railroad station in Maywood, NJ. The station is listed on the National, State of New Jersey and Bergen County Registers of Historical Places and is listed as a State of New Jersey Historic Archive. Membership in our organization includes participation in our bi-monthly meetings and weekly work sessions, periodic e-mail updates on station news and events, discounts on MSHC merchandise and our quarterly newsletter. It is a requirement that all MSHC members must join our parent organization, the New York, Susquehanna & Western Technical & Historical Society. Dues are \$25 for individuals per calendar year and include the *Reflector Magazine* and annual all-color calendar as well as help support the restoration, preservation and maintenance of all NYS&WT&HS/MSHC sites, equipment and operations. Membership applications are available at Maywood Station on Museum Open House dates or online at <http://www.nyswth.org/>.

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*A view of the H.O. (1/87<sup>th</sup>) scale model of Maywood Station. The model is also offered in N (1/160<sup>th</sup>) scale and is available in 3 different paint schemes originally found on Maywood Station.*

### **2007 Maywood Station Museum Open House Dates**

The Maywood Station Museum will be open to the public in 2007 from **Noon to 3pm** on the following dates:

<b>Sunday - April 15</b>	<b>Sunday - August 5</b>
<b>Sunday - May 20</b>	<b>Sunday - September 23</b>
<b>Sunday - June 24</b>	<b>Sunday - November 11</b>
<b>*Saturday – December 15 (Santa 10am to Noon)</b>	

Additional events may also be added when appropriate.

### **MSHC Summer Meeting Schedule**

Our weekly work sessions will be held on Wednesday evenings each month starting at 7:00pm at the station. Regular membership business meetings will be conducted on the 4th Wednesday evening of each month beginning at 7:30pm. Notification of any changes will be sent in advance to MSHC members.

### **MSHC Membership News**

Green Frog Productions videographer, Rich Kugel, gave a special presentation at the April 11<sup>th</sup> MSHC Membership Meeting. The evening was thoroughly enjoyed by the MSHC – so much that on May 2<sup>nd</sup>, Rich came back to give an encore presentation of addition material....Ed Kaminski's latest book, *Pullman-Standard Freight Cars, 1900-1960*, was published and released by Signature Press on April 25<sup>th</sup>....Matt Greco and his family vacationed in Cancun in late April. Matt caught a 50-pound, 59-inch Mahi Mahi on a fishing trip off the coast (see photo in this issue)....Rob Pisani visited China on business in mid-May....Gus Aversa and his wife Cookie visited Wildwood, NJ in late May....At the June 13<sup>th</sup> MSHC Membership Meeting, Rich Fritz presented a stellar slideshow of his material....Doug Earls will marry his longtime girlfriend, Kathryn, on June 23<sup>rd</sup>. Oh, how the mighty have fallen....Two new links have been added on the MSHC website – The History of Maywood Station, and Games. The two new pages have been receiving very positive feedback and the *Games* page is completely interactive....The MSHC welcomes aboard new members Rich Kugel and Andy Heymann