# The MSHC Newsletter

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### <u>Annual Maywood Fire Department Day Was Held at</u> the May 18 Museum Open House

The theme of the Sunday, May 18, 2008 Maywood Station Museum Open House was *Maywood Fire Department Day at Maywood Station*. The Maywood Fire Department presented an outdoor equipment display including their beautifully restored 1938 Ahrens-Fox fire engine and their brand new Fire Engine #19, which was unveiled to the public for the first time. Inside the Maywood Station Museum additional fire department memorabilia was displayed including a model fire engine exhibit from the collection of MSHC member Joseph Katzenstein.

Visitors to the Museum Open House were provided the opportunity to inspect the fire trucks and Maywood Fire Department members were on hand to answer any questions. Inside the museum, examples of antique fire boxes were also on display courtesy of MSHC members Joseph Katzenstein and Vincent Molodewic.

The museum exhibit of fire department memorabilia will also be shown at the Sunday, June 22 Maywood Station Museum Open House from Noon to 3pm. The Maywood Fire Department will also host their official "wet down" of new Fire Engine #19 the day before on Saturday, June 21 around the block from the museum at the Peerless Company Firehouse on West Hunter Avenue from 3pm to 7pm.



Maywood Fire Department Day at Maywood Station was held on May 18, 2008. The Maywood Station Museum Open House featured an outdoor fire truck display courtesy of the Maywood Fire Department including their brand-new Fire Engine #19. (Photo by Ed Kaminski)

### <u>Vintage Hess Toy Trucks Were Exhibited at the</u> April 6 Museum Open House

A vintage Hess toy truck exhibit was shown at the Sunday, April 6, 2008 Maywood Station Museum Open House. The exhibit included examples of the first Hess gasoline trucks from the 1960's through more recent offerings including helicopters, fire trucks and motorcycles from the collections of Maywood Station Historical Committee members Patrick Reynolds, Joseph Katzenstein and Ed Kaminski. Examples of Hess miniature series were also shown.

In the late 1960's, the Hess Oil Company began releasing a different toy truck after each Thanksgiving Holiday. Many of the trucks from the earlier years of the series have become much sought after by collectors. In the late 1990's, Hess also began releasing a different miniature toy truck on Memorial Day weekend. This series has also become quite popular among collectors.

The exhibit was very well received and generated a lot of interest among attendees. An encore exhibit of the toy trucks may be shown on a later Maywood Station Museum Open House date, possibly next year



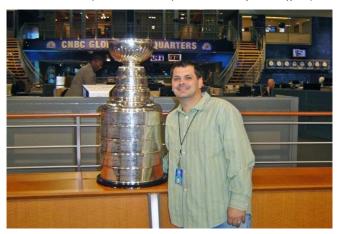
A view of the Hess Toy Truck Exhibit that was shown at the April 6, 2008 Maywood Station Museum Open House. (Photo by Ed Kaminski)

The MSHC Receives the 2008 County of Bergen, NJ Historic Preservation Award in Education
On May 8, 2008, the County of Bergen, New Jersey Historic Preservation Advisory Board presented the Maywood Station Historical Committee with the 2008 County of Bergen, New Jersey Historic Preservation Award in the Category of Education at an Awards Program and Reception at Historic Church on the Green in Hackensack, New Jersey.

The MSHC now has the distinction of being three-time recipients of County of Bergen, New Jersey Historic Preservation Awards. The MSHC previously received awards in the *Restoration and Preservation* category in 2004 and in the *Historic Leadership* category in 2005.



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MSHC member Matt Greco poses with the Stanley Cup on May 20, 2008 at the CNBC headquarters where he is the Associate Producer of the morning business news program **Squawk Box**. The Stanley Cup is presented each year to the championship team in the National Hockey League. It is arguably the oldest and most identifiable trophy in professional sports. (Photo courtesy of CNBC)



The Maywood Fire Department's restored 1938 Ahrens-Fox Fire Engine was on display Maywood Fire Department Day at Maywood Station on May 18, 2008. Maywood Fire Department members were on hand to give visitors tours and answer any questions. (Photo by Ed Kaminski)



A special exhibit of fire truck models and fire department memorabilia from the collection of MSHC member Joseph Katzenstein was shown inside the Maywood Station Museum during Maywood Fire Department Day at Maywood Station on May 18, 2008. The museum exhibit will also be shown at the Sunday, June 22 Maywood Station Museum Open House from Noon to 3pm. The Maywood Fire Department will also host their official "wet down" of new Fire Engine #19 on Saturday, June 21 around the block from Maywood Station at the Peerless Company Firehouse on West Hunter Avenue from 3pm to 7pm. (Photo by Keith Smollin)

# Annual Railroad Day at Maywood Station to be Held on August 10, 2008

The Maywood Station Museum will host its *Annual Railroad Day at Maywood Station* on Sunday, August 10, 2008 from Noon to 3pm. The Open House will feature operating model displays and vendor tables from local railroad historical societies, model railroad clubs and model manufacturers. Mark your calendar! This is usually one of our biggest events of the year.



Norfolk Southern GP38-2 #5293 passes Maywood Station and Caboose #24542 heading west on April 6, 2008. Since late 2007, the New York, Susquehanna & Western has been leasing various Norfolk Southern, CSX and ex-Conrail GP38-2 locomotives as replacements for some of their older 4-axle locomotives, which they have retired. (Photo by Ed Kaminski)

#### Maywood Station 2007 Ornaments Still Available

Looking for a unique a neat gift idea anytime throughout the year? Well, we've got the answer!

The 6th in the series 2007 Maywood Station Holiday Ornament is in stock. Expertly designed by graphic artist and MSHC member, Veronica Bruno, the dated, polished-gold metal snowflake ornament celebrates the 135th Anniversary of Maywood Station, 1872-2007, and features a laser-etched image of Maywood Station and the New York, Susquehanna & Western Railway logo. The ornaments are available for \$6.00 each at Maywood Station on Museum Open House dates and by mail order. Please visit our website at <a href="https://www.maywoodstation.com">www.maywoodstation.com</a> for more information or to place a mail order and to see photos of past releases in the series and their availabilities.



Graphic Artist and MSHC member, Veronica Bruno, has done it once again with a superb design for our 2007 Maywood Station Holiday Ornament. The gold polished-metal snowflake features laser-etched lettering and celebrates the 135<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Maywood Station, 1872-2007. The ornament measures approximately 3-inches in diameter. Past releases in the series have become collector's items.



Leased CSX GP38-2 #2558 passes Maywood Station heading west with local freight WS-6 on April 16, 2008. (Photo by Ed Kaminski)



MSHC members Hector Hernandez, Jr. and Ed Quinn are shown installing a working railroad crossbuck and warning flashers on the station grounds during the June 9, 2008 MSHC work session. (Photo by Robert P. Pisani)

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

Atlas Model Railroad Company H.O. (1/87th) scale and N (1/160th) 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 - tan/brown; gray/maroon; and pale green/dark green. The model is available for purchase at the Maywood Station Museum on 2008 Open House dates and seven days a week at Maywood Hardware, 39 West Pleasant Avenue, Maywood, NJ. 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 <a href="http://www.maywoodstation.com/">http://www.maywoodstation.com/</a>. All orders are tax-deductible and will be confirmed by mail with a donation letter. Engraved bricks ordered between January 1, 2008 and June 30, 2008 will be installed at the station in early fall 2008. Engraved bricks ordered between July 1, 2008 and December 31, 2008 will be installed at the station in early spring 2009.

#### Membership in the MSHC

The Maywood Station Historical Committee is an allvolunteer, 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 weekly work sessions and meetings, 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 the 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.nyswths.org/.



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.

#### 2008 Maywood Station Museum Open House Dates

The Maywood Station Museum will be open to the public in 2008 from **Noon to 3pm** on the following dates:

Sunday - April 6 Sunday - August 10
Sunday - May 18 Sunday - September 21
Sunday - June 22 Sunday - November 9
\*Saturday - December 20 (Santa 10am to Noon)
Additional events may also be added when appropriate.

## MSHC Summer Meeting Schedule

Our twice a month work sessions will be held on Wednesday evenings starting at 7:00pm at the station. Regular membership business meetings will be scheduled on Wednesday evenings six times per year. Notification of meeting dates will be sent in advance to MSHC members.

#### **MSHC Membership News**

Rob Pisani visited China on business for 10 days in early April......Tim Moses and Doug Earls saw the Moody Blues perform at a concert in Morristown, NJ in late April.....Gus Aversa acted on stage in three roles at Maywood & Music performances in late April.....Rob Pisani and his wife Dana vacation in Florida during mid-May.....Gus Aversa and his wife Cookie vacation in Wildwood, NJ for a week in late May with the Knights of Columbus......Hector Hernandez, Jr. is now a fullmember of the Maywood Fire Department.....Sid and Nancy Denny's voungest daughter. Kim. graduated from Quinnipiac College in late May with a degree in Journalism.....At the May 28th MSHC Membership Meeting, Videographer, Rich Kugel, presented the MSHC with a selection of film footage he has taken on his travels over the years.....On June 15th, Pat Reynolds, his son Brian and son-in law Tim Moran were interviewed at the 5k Race Against Prostate Cancer Marathon in New York City by Heidi Jones of Channel 7 WABC-TV News for a segment that appeared on the morning newscast. As this issue of the MSHC Newsletter goes to press, the equipment move including NYS&W S-2 #206 is scheduled for late June/early July.

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