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**HUTCHINSON PLUMBING SUPPLY**

*2 Johnson Avenue, Matawan, New Jersey*

*across from the Historic Matawan Train Station*

*— photo taken about 1929 —*

*(see article on page 4)*



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*A warm and friendly  
welcome awaits you  
from the participating  
businesses in this guide.*

*They appreciate your  
patronage and welcome  
you to use their services  
and coupons.*

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*Hutchinson Plumbing Supply*

*Established in Matawan, New Jersey since 1929*



**Hutchinson Inc.** was founded in 1922 as the Thomas Warren Co. The company was a warehouse for plumbing, heating and utility supply businesses with headquarters in New York City across from the Empire State Building.

In 1929, the company was incorporated under the State of New Jersey. All business was now conducted out of the present location at 2 Johnson Avenue across from the Matawan Train Station. Warren B. Hutchinson served as President and CEO from 1929 until 1973. During this time, the business catered to the wholesale trade supplying all plumbers and general contractors with plumbing and heating needs for remodeling and new housing.

In 1940, fire destroyed the original building featured on the front cover of this issue. The devastating fire was started by an escaped convict from Jamesburg State Prison. The prisoner started the fire as a diversion in order that he could break into a local residence and steal clothes to replace his prison clothes. The prisoner was apprehended and the building was rebuilt with an additional warehouse. The new building was completed in 1941.

During the 1940's, 50's, and 60's, the business prospered with the boom of new construction. Sales were to local plumbers, builders and mechanical contractors.

Warren E. Hutchinson became President in 1973 and still acts in this capacity. During this time, another 7,500 square foot warehouse was built.

In 1986, answering the needs of the new consumer, a 2,500 square foot kitchen and bath showroom was built to cater to the plumber and the homeowner. Additional warehouse space has also been added to accommodate 30,000 square foot of space.

The counter area of **Hutchinson's** is geared to cater to the plumber, homeowner, and the do-it-your-selfer, offering courteous, experienced hometown service and advice. The company has always had a strong relationship with the plumber and can recommend a licensed plumber for any kitchen and bath renovation or remodeling needs.

**Hutchinson Plumbing Supply** is open Monday through Friday, 8 am - 5 pm, and Saturday, 8 am - 12 noon. Telephone: (732) 566-6000; Fax: (732) 583-6272; Website: <http://www.njplaza.com/Hutch> E-mail: [hutchinson@njplaza.com](mailto:hutchinson@njplaza.com).

The **Kitchen and Bath Station's** luxurious showroom features such brand names as *American Standard, Jacuzzi, Sterling, St. Thomas, Elkay, Manhattan, Harden, Moen, Yorktowne, Grohe, Corian, Swan, Broan, and Franke*, in addition to a large selection of beautiful decorative bathroom accessories. Friendly, helpful professionals will assist you in designing your dream kitchen or bathroom by computer.

The showroom is open Monday through Friday, 9 am - 5 pm, Thursday evenings until 7:30 pm, March through December, and on Saturday, 9 am - 12 noon. Telephone: (732) 566-2677. (see **Kitchen & Bath Station's** ad on page 5).

