

# What's in a Name?

NAMES FROM NATURE

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**BARNEGAT** INLET

Bay Head

Sandy Point

 **Eagleswood**

Beach Haven

Pine  Beach

**Island HEIGHTS**

Forked River

Metedeconk

**LONG BEACH**  island

## 1 Objectives:

Students will be able to:

- describe some of the geographic features and local names of places within Barnegat Bay's watershed,
- determine the origin of the names of places and relate them back to a feature or natural object, event, or activity.

## CORRELATION TO NJCCCS:

The correlations in this publication were done prior to 2002 utilizing the older standards from 1994.

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| <b>SOCIAL STUDIES</b> | 6.7 (1, 2)         |
| <b>LANGUAGE ARTS</b>  | 3.1 (7,8,12)       |
|                       | 3.2 (3,6)          |
|                       | 3.5 (1,2,3,4,7,10) |

## Subject Areas

History, Social Studies, Language Arts

## Duration

One class period.

## Setting

Indoors.

## Skills

Communicating, interpreting, inferring,  
describing.

## Charting the Course

The names of places are a very integral part of an understanding and appreciation of an area.

Historically, the names we give places can give a perspective on how people viewed or utilized the unique features of an area.

## Vocabulary

Specific town and community names.

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## Materials

- Copies of “Local Names for Ocean County, New Jersey Communities,” included with this lesson.
- Maps of Ocean County and Barnegat Bay watershed for each group.

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## Making Connections

Knowing the connections between the names of places and the natural resources around them, the land, the water and the historical use or feature, can often provide a clearer sense of connection to students. Often, places have been named based on some unique feature, person, or natural phenomenon. For example, Swan Point is a place where swans often congregate and is a place where the land juts out into the bay. There are numerous examples of this throughout Ocean County and our watershed. Understanding these connections will help connect students to the places within their watershed.

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## Procedure

**WARM UP:** Ask the class if they know any places that are named after a physical feature of that particular place. Island Beach is a simple example, Seaside is another, for the northern watershed residents. Long Beach Island is very familiar to the southern watershed residents. Places are also named based on simple connections to place. Many places are named for the people that first settled there or made a significant contribution to the area. Another factor is the abundance of Native American names within Ocean County. Significant information and research is available on this topic. *Please see the additional resources listed below or contact your local historical society. They are listed in the resource guide.*

## THE ACTIVITY

- Divide the students into groups of four or five. Distribute the copies of the handout of Ocean County names, and the maps.
- Have students work together to find as many places on the maps in the time you’ve allowed. If the maps have been laminated, students can use small, removable dot stickers or a grease pencil to mark their locations on the map.
- These could be numbered to correspond with the numbers on the place name list.
- This could be done as a competition among groups to see which group can locate the most places in a set amount of time.

**WRAP UP:** Have each student choose a different place and have him or her write a description of why they think that name was chosen. Have the groups share with the rest of the class.

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## Assessment

Participation in the group activity.

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## Extensions

Have students share the names of their neighborhoods with the rest of the class. What are they named after? For example, Sandy Point, Brick, is named after the small river beach on the Metedeconk River that was a large point or spit of sand. Swan Point is named for the usual congregation of swans there in the winter months.

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## Resources Referenced

“Local Names for Ocean County, New Jersey Communities,” Ocean County Board of Chosen Freeholders (a handout)  
*Down Jersey – Celebrating Our Sense of Place, Citizens United to Protect the Maurice River and Its Tributaries, Inc.*, Activities entitled “Where are You?” “The County,” and “Home Sweet Home.”



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## Additional Resources

*Ocean County - Four Centuries in the Making*, Pauline S. Miller, Ocean County Cultural & Heritage Commission, Copyright 2000. Library of Congress Catalog Number: 99-70605

The entire book (981 pages) deals specifically with Ocean County, its places and its people. Specifically, Appendix B is a reprint of the above-mentioned handout.

“Place Names of Ocean County, New Jersey”  
Vivian Zonkin, Ocean County Historical Society,  
Toms River, NJ 1976.

The Ocean County Historical Society, 26 Hadley Avenue, P.O. Box 2191, Toms River, New Jersey 08754 (732-341-1880) has an extensive list of available publications including historical maps, videocassettes, and books.

[www.oceancountyhistory.org](http://www.oceancountyhistory.org)

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## Stewardship Project Ideas

See related activity, *Saving Local History*. Encourage students to visit Ocean County’s museums and historic places.

Can you think of a good name for this town?

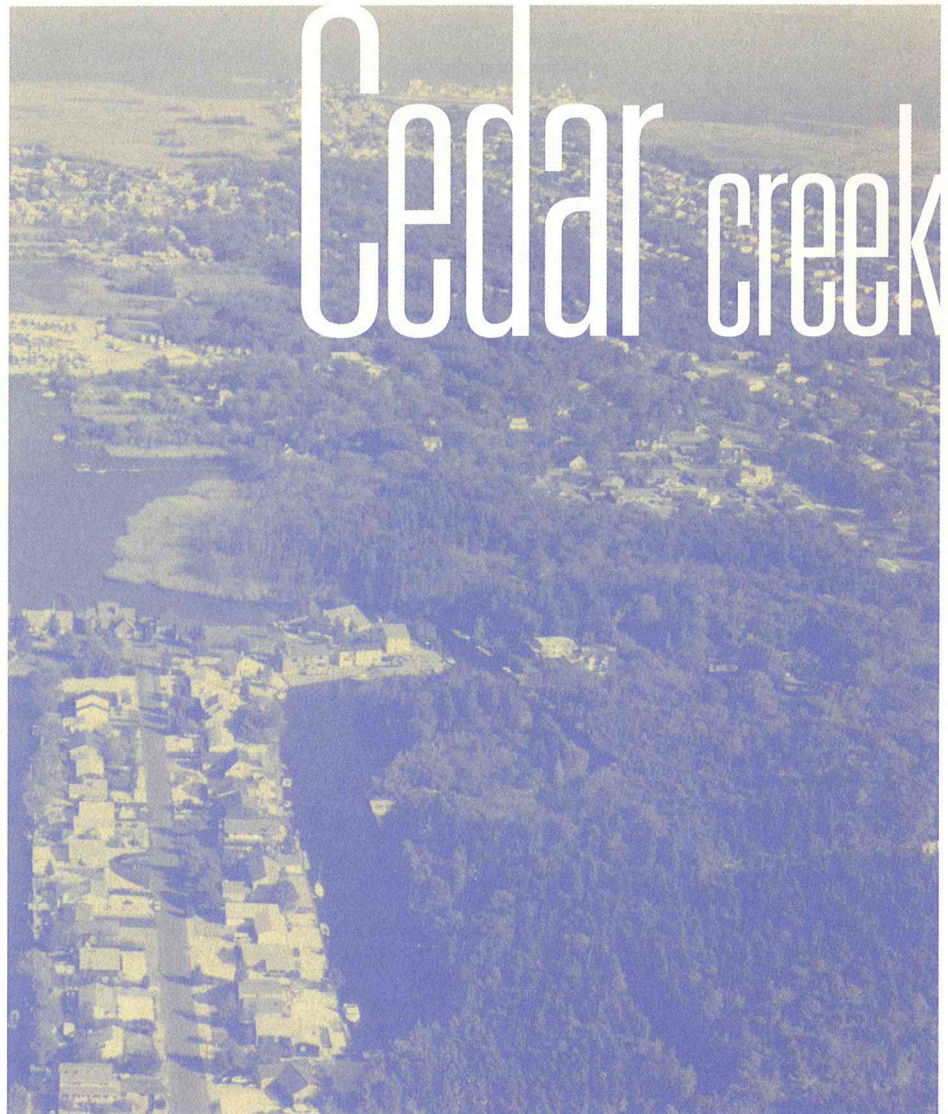
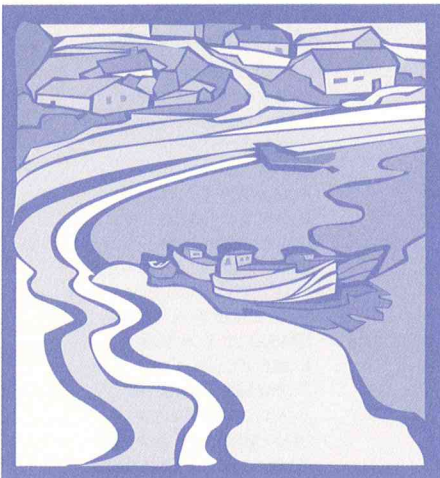


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# Local Names

## for Ocean County, NJ

### Communities

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| LOCAL NAME           | OFFICIAL NAME          |
|----------------------|------------------------|
| <b>A</b>             |                        |
| ADAMSTON             | BRICK TOWNSHIP         |
| ANDREW POINT         | DOVER TOWNSHIP         |
| ANDREWS              | DOVER TOWNSHIP         |
| ARCHERS CORNER       | JACKSON TOWNSHIP       |
| ARCHERTOWN           | PLUMSTED TOWNSHIP      |
| ASERDATEN            | LACEY TOWNSHIP         |
| ATLANTIS             | LITTLE EGG HARBOR TWP. |
| <b>B</b>             |                        |
| BAMBER LAKE          | LACEY TOWNSHIP         |
| BARNEGAT             | BARNEGAT TOWNSHIP      |
| BARNEGAT BEACH       | OCEAN TOWNSHIP         |
| BARNEGAT CITY        | BARNEGAT LIGHT BOROUGH |
| BARNEGAT LIGHT       | BARNEGAT LIGHT BOROUGH |
| BARNEGAT PARK        | BERKELEY TOWNSHIP      |
| BARNEGAT PIER        | BERKELEY TOWNSHIP      |
| BARNEGAT PINES       | LACEY TOWNSHIP         |
| BATUBER              | LACEY TOWNSHIP         |
| BAY HEAD             | BAY HEAD BOROUGH       |
| BAY SHORE            | DOVER TOWNSHIP         |
| BAY VISTA            | LONG BEACH TOWNSHIP    |
| BAYSIDE              | STAFFORD TOWNSHIP      |
| BAYVILLE             | BERKELEY TOWNSHIP      |
| BEACH ARLINGTON      | SHIP BOTTOM BOROUGH    |
| BEACH HAVEN          | BEACH HAVEN BOROUGH    |
| BEACH HAVEN CREST    | LONG BEACH TOWNSHIP    |
| BEACH HAVEN GARDENS  | LONG BEACH TOWNSHIP    |
| BEACH HAVEN HEIGHTS  | LONG BEACH TOWNSHIP    |
| BEACH HAVEN INLET    | LONG BEACH TOWNSHIP    |
| BEACH HAVEN PARK     | LONG BEACH TOWNSHIP    |
| BEACH HAVEN TERRANCE | LONG BEACH TOWNSHIP    |
| BEACH HAVEN WEST     | STAFFORD TOWNSHIP      |
| BEACH VIEW           | STAFFORD TOWNSHIP      |
| BEACHWOOD            | BEACHWOOD BOROUGH      |
| BECKERVILLE          | MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP    |
| BEECHWOOD            | ISLAND HEIGHTS BOROUGH |
| BENNETTS MILLS       | JACKSON TOWNSHIP       |
| BERKELEY             | SEASIDE PARK BOROUGH   |
| BONNET ISLAND        | STAFFORD TOWNSHIP      |
| BOYDS HOTEL          | MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP    |
| BRAINARDS            | MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP    |
| BRANT BEACH          | LONG BEACH TOWNSHIP    |
| BRETON WOODS         | BRICK TOWNSHIP         |
| BRICK TOWN           | BRICK TOWNSHIP         |
| BRICK YARDS          | MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP    |
| BRICKTOWN            | BRICK TOWNSHIP         |
| BRIGHTON BEACH       | LONG BEACH TOWNSHIP    |
| BRINDLE PARK         | PLUMSTED TOWNSHIP      |
| BROOKVILLE           | OCEAN TOWNSHIP         |
| BUCKINGHAM           | MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP    |
| BURKSVILLE           | JACKSON TOWNSHIP       |
| BURRSVILLE           | BRICK TOWNSHIP         |
| BUTTERFLY BRIDGE     | JACKSON TOWNSHIP       |
| <b>C</b>             |                        |
| CASSVILLE            | JACKSON TOWNSHIP       |
| CATTUS ISLAND        | DOVER TOWNSHIP         |
| CEDAR BONNET         | STAFFORD TOWNSHIP      |
| CEDAR BRIDGE         | BRICK TOWNSHIP         |
| CEDAR BRIDGE         | BARNEGAT TOWNSHIP      |

| LOCAL NAME               | OFFICIAL NAME              |
|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| CEDAR CREEK              | LACEY TOWNSHIP             |
| CEDAR CREST              | LACEY TOWNSHIP             |
| CEDAR GROVE              | DOVER TOWNSHIP             |
| CEDAR GROVE              | STAFFORD TOWNSHIP          |
| CEDAR RUN                | STAFFORD TOWNSHIP          |
| CEDARWOOD PARK           | BRICK TOWNSHIP             |
| CHADWICKS                | BRICK TOWNSHIP             |
| CHADWICKS                | DOVER TOWNSHIP             |
| CHERRY QUAY              | BRICK TOWNSHIP             |
| CLARK'S LANDING          | PT. PLEASANT BOROUGH       |
| COATES POINT             | DOVER TOWNSHIP             |
| COLLIERS MILLS           | JACKSON TOWNSHIP           |
| COX'S CROSSING           | EAGLESWOOD TOWNSHIP        |
| COXS                     | EAGLESWOOD TOWNSHIP        |
| COXTOWN                  | EAGLESWOOD TOWNSHIP        |
| CRESTWOOD VILLAGE        | MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP        |
| CROSSLEY                 | BERKELEY TOWNSHIP          |
| <b>D</b>                 |                            |
| DANIELS BRIDGE           | OCEAN TOWNSHIP             |
| DEBOW CORNER             | JACKSON TOWNSHIP           |
| DEER HEAD LAKE           | LACEY TOWNSHIP             |
| DINNER POINT             | EAGLESWOOD TOWNSHIP        |
| DOUBLE TROUBLE           | BERKELEY TOWNSHIP          |
| DOVER FORGE              | BERKELEY TOWNSHIP          |
| DUNES                    | LONG BEACH TOWNSHIP        |
| <b>E</b>                 |                            |
| EAST DOVER               | DOVER TOWNSHIP             |
| EDGE COVE                | LITTLE EGG HARBOR TWP.     |
| EVERGREEN CEMETERY       | LAKEWOOD TOWNSHIP          |
| <b>F</b>                 |                            |
| FORKED RIVER             | LACEY TOWNSHIP             |
| FRANCIS MILLS            | JACKSON TOWNSHIP           |
| <b>G</b>                 |                            |
| GIBERSON                 | MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP        |
| GIFFORDTOWN              | LITTLE EGG HARBOR TOWNSHIP |
| GILFORD PARK             | DOVER TOWNSHIP             |
| GILMORES ISLAND          | DOVER TOWNSHIP             |
| GLEN COVE                | BERKELEY TOWNSHIP          |
| GOOD LUCK                | LACEY TOWNSHIP             |
| GOOD LUCK POINT          | BERKELEY TOWNSHIP          |
| GOOSE POND               | MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP        |
| GRAYVILLE                | JACKSON TOWNSHIP           |
| GREEN ISLAND             | DOVER TOWNSHIP             |
| GREENBRIAR               | BRICK TOWNSHIP             |
| GREENVILLE               | LAKEWOOD TOWNSHIP          |
| <b>H</b>                 |                            |
| HARMONY                  | JACKSON TOWNSHIP           |
| HAVEN BEACH              | LONG BEACH TOWNSHIP        |
| HAVENS COVE              | BRICK TOWNSHIP             |
| HAVENS POINT             | BRICK TOWNSHIP             |
| HEAD OF WOODS            | PLUMSTED TOWNSHIP          |
| HERBERTSVILLE            | BRICK TOWNSHIP             |
| HERRING ISLAND           | BRICK TOWNSHIP             |
| HIGH BAR HARBOR          | LONG BEACH TOWNSHIP        |
| HIGH POINT               | HARVEY CEDARS BOROUGH      |
| HOCKAMICK                | PLUMSTED TOWNSHIP          |
| HOLIDAY CITY AT BERKELEY | BERKELEY TOWNSHIP          |
| HOLGATE                  | LONG BEACH TOWNSHIP        |
| HOLLY PARK               | BERKELEY TOWNSHIP          |
| HOLMANSVILLE             | JACKSON TOWNSHIP           |
| HORICAN                  | MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP        |
| HORSE POINT              | EAGLESWOOD TOWNSHIP        |
| HOWARDSVILLE             | BARNEGAT TOWNSHIP          |
| HYSON                    | JACKSON TOWNSHIP           |
| <b>I</b>                 |                            |
| ISLAND BCH. STATE PARK   | BERKELEY TOWNSHIP          |
| ISLAND HEIGHTS           | ISLAND HEIGHTS             |
| <b>J</b>                 |                            |
| JACKSON MILLS            | JACKSON TOWNSHIP           |
| JESSIES POINT            | LITTLE EGG HARBOR TWP.     |
| <b>K</b>                 |                            |
| KAPPS CORNER             | JACKSON TOWNSHIP           |
| KESWICK GROVE            | MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP        |






| LOCAL NAME           | OFFICIAL NAME              |
|----------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>L</b>             |                            |
| LACEY                | LACEY TOWNSHIP             |
| LAKE BARNEGAT        | LACEY TOWNSHIP             |
| LAKE CARASALJO       | LAKEWOOD TOWNSHIP          |
| LAKEHURST            | LAKEHURST BOROUGH          |
| LAKEWOOD             | LAKEWOOD TOWNSHIP          |
| LANES MILLS          | BRICK TOWNSHIP             |
| LANOKA HARBOR        | LACEY TOWNSHIP             |
| LAURELTON            | BRICK TOWNSHIP             |
| LAVALLETTE           | LAVALLETTE BOROUGH         |
| LEESVILLE            | JACKSON TOWNSHIP           |
| LEGLER               | JACKSON TOWNSHIP           |
| LEISURE VILLAGE      | LAKEWOOD TOWNSHIP          |
| LONG BEACH           | LONG BEACH TOWNSHIP        |
| LONG POINT           | DOVER TOWNSHIP             |
| LONG POINT           | ISLAND HEIGHTS BOROUGH     |
| LOVELADIES           | LONG BEACH TOWNSHIP        |
| LOWER DOCK           | BARNEGAT TOWNSHIP          |
| <b>M</b>             |                            |
| MANAHAWKIN           | STAFFORD TOWNSHIP          |
| MANAHAWKIN LANDING   | STAFFORD TOWNSHIP          |
| MANDALAY PARK        | BRICK TOWNSHIP             |
| MANTOLOKING          | MANTOLOKING BOROUGH        |
| MARDELLS NECK        | BRICK TOWNSHIP             |
| MARYLAND             | JACKSON TOWNSHIP           |
| MAYETTA              | STAFFORD TOWNSHIP          |
| METEDECONK           | BRICK TOWNSHIP             |
| METEDECONK NECK      | BRICK TOWNSHIP             |
| MIDWOOD              | JACKSON TOWNSHIP           |
| MUD COVE             | EAGLESWOOD TOWNSHIP        |
| MURRAY GROVE         | LACEY TOWNSHIP             |
| MYSTIC ISLANDS       | LITTLE EGG HARBOR TWP      |
| <b>N</b>             |                            |
| NEW EGYPT            | PLUMSTED TOWNSHIP          |
| NEW PROSPECT         | JACKSON TOWNSHIP           |
| NORMANDY BEACH       | DOVER TOWNSHIP             |
| NORTH BEACH          | LONG BEACH TOWNSHIP        |
| NORTH BEACH HAVEN    | LONG BEACH TOWNSHIP        |
| NUGENTOWN            | LITTLE EGG HARBOR TWP      |
| <b>O</b>             |                            |
| OCEAN GATE           | OCEAN GATE BOROUGH         |
| OLD HALFWAY          | MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP        |
| ORTLEY               | LAVALLETTE BOROUGH         |
| ORTLEY BEACH         | DOVER TOWNSHIP             |
| OSBORNVILLE          | BRICK TOWNSHIP             |
| OSTEAM               | LACEY TOWNSHIP             |
| <b>P</b>             |                            |
| PARKER COVE          | EAGLESWOOD TOWNSHIP        |
| PARKERTOWN           | LITTLE EGG HARBOR TWP.     |
| PASADENA             | MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP        |
| PEAHALA PARK         | LONG BEACH TOWNSHIP        |
| PELICAN ISLAND       | BERKELEY TOWNSHIP          |
| PELICAN ISLAND       | DOVER TOWNSHIP             |
| PINE BEACH           | PINE BEACH BOROUGH         |
| PINE LAKE PARK       | MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP        |
| PINE VIEW            | DOVER TOWNSHIP             |
| PINEHURST ESTATES    | PLUMSTED TOWNSHIP          |
| PINEWALD             | BERKELEY TOWNSHIP          |
| PLAYGROUND BEACH     | BRICK TOWNSHIP             |
| PLEASANT GROVE       | JACKSON TOWNSHIP           |
| PLEASANT PLAINS      | DOVER TOWNSHIP             |
| POINT PLEASANT       | PT. PLEASANT BOROUGH       |
| POINT PLEASANT BEACH | PT. PLEASANT BEACH BOROUGH |

| LOCAL NAME                      | OFFICIAL NAME            |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>R</b>                        |                          |
| RED OAK GROVE                   | LACEY TOWNSHIP           |
| RIDGEWAY                        | JACKSON TOWNSHIP         |
| RIDGEWAY                        | MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP      |
| RIVER BANK                      | BERKELEY TOWNSHIP        |
| RIVIERA BEACH                   | BRICK TOWNSHIP           |
| ROOSEVELT CITY                  | MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP      |
| <b>S</b>                        |                          |
| SEASIDE HEIGHTS                 | SEASIDE HEIGHTS BOROUGH  |
| SEASIDE PARK                    | SEASIDE PARK BOROUGH     |
| SEAWOOD POINT                   | BRICK TOWNSHIP           |
| SEVEN STARS                     | LAKEWOOD TOWNSHIP        |
| SHELTER COVE                    | DOVER TOWNSHIP           |
| SHIP BOTTOM                     | SHIP BOTTOM BOROUGH      |
| SHORE ACRES                     | BRICK TOWNSHIP           |
| SILVER RIDGE PARK               | BERKELEY TOWNSHIP        |
| SILVER RIDGE PARK WEST          | BERKELEY TOWNSHIP        |
| SILVERTON                       | DOVER TOWNSHIP           |
| SLOOP POINT                     | BRICK TOWNSHIP           |
| SOUTH BEACH HAVEN               | LONG BEACH TOWNSHIP      |
| SOUTH BEACH VIEW                | STAFFORD TOWNSHIP        |
| SOUTH LAKEWOOD                  | LAKEWOOD TOWNSHIP        |
| SOUTH TOMS RIVER                | SOUTH TOMS RIVER BOROUGH |
| SPRAGUETOWN                     | EAGLESWOOD TOWNSHIP      |
| SPRAY BEACH                     | LONG BEACH TOWNSHIP      |
| STAFFORD FORGE                  | EAGLESWOOD TOWNSHIP      |
| STAFFORDVILLE                   | EAGLESWOOD TOWNSHIP      |
| STATE FOREST                    | JACKSON TOWNSHIP         |
| STATE GAME FARM                 | LACEY TOWNSHIP           |
| STORM ISLAND                    | LITTLE EGG HARBOR TWP.   |
| SUCCESS                         | JACKSON TOWNSHIP         |
| SUNSHINE HARBOR                 | POINT PLEASANT BOROUGH   |
| SUNSHINE CITY                   | STAFFORD TOWNSHIP        |
| SURF CITY                       | SURF CITY BOROUGH        |
| SWAN POINT                      | BRICK TOWNSHIP           |
| <b>T</b>                        |                          |
| THE DUNES                       | LONG BEACH TOWNSHIP      |
| TILTON POINT                    | DOVER TOWNSHIP           |
| TOMS RIVER                      | DOVER TOWNSHIP           |
| TUCKER BEACH                    | LITTLE EGG HARBOR TWP.   |
| TUCKERTON                       | TUCKERTON BOROUGH        |
| TUCKERTON RADIO STATION         | LITTLE EGG HARBOR TWP.   |
| TWILIGHT LAKE                   | BAY HEAD BOROUGH         |
| <b>U</b>                        |                          |
| UNION CLAY WORKS                | LACEY TOWNSHIP           |
| UNION TOWNSHIP                  | BARNEGAT TOWNSHIP        |
| UNITED STATES NAVAL AIR STATION | MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP      |
| UPPER DOCK                      | BARNEGAT TOWNSHIP        |
| <b>V</b>                        |                          |
| VANHISEVILLE                    | JACKSON TOWNSHIP         |
| <b>W</b>                        |                          |
| WARETOWN                        | OCEAN TOWNSHIP           |
| WARETOWN JUNCTION               | OCEAN TOWNSHIP           |
| WARREN GROVE                    | STAFFORD TOWNSHIP        |
| WEBBS MILL                      | LACEY TOWNSHIP           |
| WEBBSVILLE                      | JACKSON TOWNSHIP         |
| WELLS MILLS                     | OCEAN TOWNSHIP           |
| WEST CREEK                      | EAGLESWOOD TOWNSHIP      |
| WEST DOVER                      | DOVER TOWNSHIP           |
| WEST MANTOLOKING                | BRICK TOWNSHIP           |
| WEST OSBORNVILLE                | BRICK TOWNSHIP           |
| WEST POINT ISLAND               | OCEAN TOWNSHIP           |
| WEST POINT PLEASANT             | BRICK TOWNSHIP           |
| WEST TUCKERTON                  | LITTLE EGG HARBOR TWP.   |
| WHITE OAK BOTTOM                | DOVER TOWNSHIP           |
| WHITESBRIDGE                    | JACKSON TOWNSHIP         |
| WHITESVILLE                     | JACKSON TOWNSHIP         |
| WHITING                         | MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP      |
| WOODRUFF                        | PLUMSTED TOWNSHIP        |
| <b>Z</b>                        |                          |
| ZEBS BRIDGE                     | BERKELEY TOWNSHIP        |

# Yesterday and Today

## NAMES BY THE BAY

Ocean County Community names have changed over time. Old maps, newspaper articles, histories, and laws of New Jersey often contain place names which are no longer being used. These names sometimes cause confusion in understanding boundary descriptions and maps. Listed here are names which are not a part of present day Ocean County along with the corresponding current name of the same place. Communities are listed in alphabetical order.



| FORMER NAME                   | CURRENT NAME     |
|-------------------------------|------------------|
| Asaytown . . . . .            | Dover            |
| Balcony Hill . . . . .        | Manchester       |
| Bricksburg . . . . .          | Lakewood         |
| Burrsville . . . . .          | Laurelton        |
| Butcher's Forge . . . . .     | Laurelton (near) |
| Cedar Creek . . . . .         | Lanoka           |
| Charleytown . . . . .         | Manchester       |
| Clamtown . . . . .            | Tuckerton        |
| Culver . . . . .              | Surf City        |
| Downsville . . . . .          | Cassville        |
| Dutchtown . . . . .           | Dover            |
| Germantown . . . . .          | Dover            |
| Happy Valley . . . . .        | Dover            |
| Goshen . . . . .              | Cassville        |
| High Point . . . . .          | Mantoloking      |
| Little Egg Harbor . . . . .   | Tuckerton        |
| Long Beach City . . . . .     | Surf City        |
| Manahoking . . . . .          | Manahawkin       |
| Manchester Furnace . . . . .  | Lakehurst        |
| Mansion of Health . . . . .   | Surf City        |
| Middle-Of-The-Shore . . . . . | Tuckerton        |
| Pasadena . . . . .            | Manchester       |
| Pershing . . . . .            | Dover            |
| Potter's Creek . . . . .      | Bayville         |
| Ten Mile Hollow . . . . .     | Berkeley         |
| Timmon's Mill . . . . .       | New Egypt        |
| Webbtown . . . . .            | Manchester       |
| Wheatland Station . . . . .   | Manchester       |





## **So...what's in a name? Take a look!**

The information below was taken from "The Lure of Long Beach, The Story of the Romantic Island of Long Beach, New Jersey," by Charles Edgar Nash, published in 1936 in conjunction with the Long Beach Board of Trade. \*See Dutch map on next page.

**The Dutch explorers set foot on Long Beach  
in the early 1600s  
and called the region "Eyerhaven."  
which meant "Harbor of the Eggs."  
It was later changed to "Egg Harbor."**

**They gave the area this name  
due to the amazing amount of seabird eggs  
they found in the region.**

**They also named two inlets, "Barendegat,"  
– inlet of breakers.**

**A mapmaker later shortened the name  
to "Barndegat." And perhaps he just  
made a typesetting mistake.**

**Today, "Barnegat" Inlet still retains the name...  
and the breakers!**



1656 Dutch map taken from "The Lure of Long Beach, The Story of the Romantic Island of Long Beach, New Jersey," by Charles Edgar Nash.