



OCEAN COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

# BARNEGAT BRANCH TRAIL

DEPARTMENTS OF PLANNING, ENGINEERING AND PARKS & RECREATION

## WELCOME TO BERKELEY TOWNSHIP (1875)



Sangor's Pinewald Station. Photo: July 1950

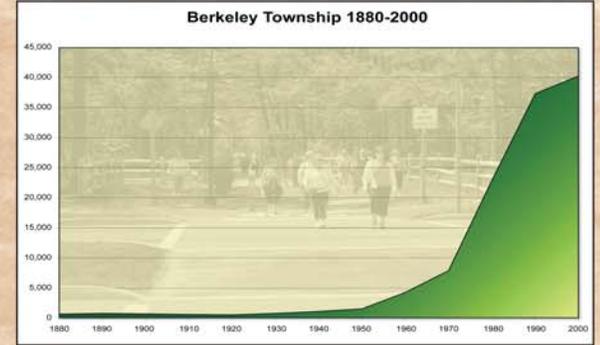
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**B**erkeley Township was set off from Dover Township (present day Toms River Township). Cedar Creek forms the southern boundary of Berkeley Township. Double Trouble State Park contains over 8,000 acres along Cedar Creek that protects rare species of native plants. The northern boundary of Berkeley Township was the Toms River and included present day South Toms River, Beachwood, Pine Beach and Ocean Gate boroughs.

Berkeley Township's boundaries also included present day Seaside Heights and Seaside Park. The township still retains Island Beach State Park and two small areas called South Seaside Park and Pelican Island.

Manitou Park is another area in Berkeley Township which is located west and north of the Borough of South Toms River. In the 1920s, many African-Americans migrated from the South and settled in this area.

For more information, please visit:  
Berkeley Township Historical Society, 630 Route 9, Bayville, NJ 08721

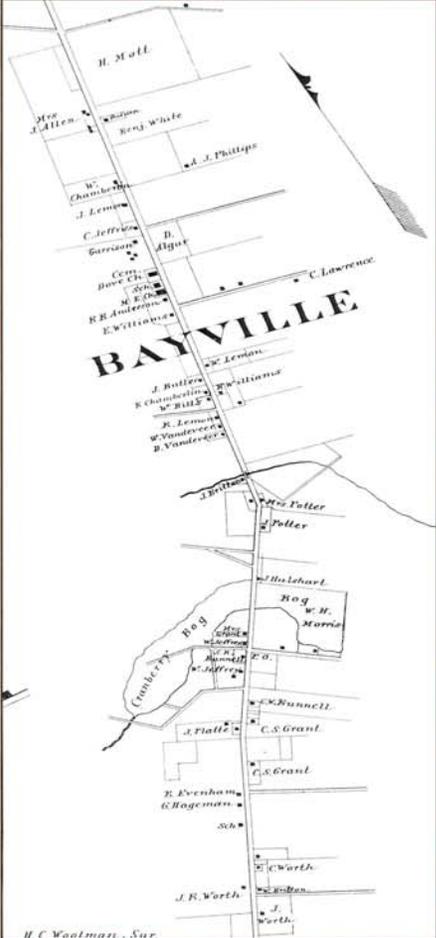


### BB Fun Fact: Telegraphs

**R**ailroad track rights of way became convenient paths for the telegraph service, using electrical signals of dots and dashes of the Morse code. Thousands of poles along the railroad bed were strung with miles of iron or copper wire: (Tuckerton 31 miles of iron wire on 27.54 miles of pole line, Philadelphia & Beach Haven - 36.3 miles of copper wire on 12.24 miles of pole line; Barnegat Railroad 17.4 miles of copper wire on 12.24 miles of pole line.) By the 1920's, the telephone lines along public roads begin to replace the telegraphic system associated with the railroads.



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The Central Railroad of New Jersey adopted the Statue of Liberty logo because the Hudson River terminal was in Jersey City with a dramatic view of New York Harbor.



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