

KNOWN EMMET COUNTY TOWNS, VILLAGES, SETTLEMENTS

ALANSON / HINMAN, Emmet County

In 1877 Alanson, Emmet County, Littlefield Township was given a post office named Hinman, with Hollis Frayer as its first postmaster. On June 22, 1882 it was renamed Alanson, for Alanson Cook, an official of the Grand Rapids & Indiana Railroad, which first came through here then.

APPLETON, Emmet County

A sawmill settlement at Spring Creek on the Lake Huron shore in Friendship Township, Harper Talbert became its first postmaster on May 22, 1884, the office operating until Aug. 2, 1889.

AYR, Emmet County

Patrick J. Burns became the first postmaster of this sawmill settlement in the central part of the county on Dec. 12, 1878, T. B. Snyder operated its general store, Homesteaders from Canada named it after Ayr. Ontario {Mrs. Henry Brubacher & Po Archives}

BAY VIW, Emmet County

BLISS, Emmet County

BRUTUS, Emmet County

CARPENTER, Emmet County

Jacob Lehmer became the first postmaster of this rural post office in Bear Creek Township, in the southwest corner of the county, on Nov. 23, 1881, the office operating until Oct 21, 1897.

CARP LAKE, Emmet County

The village founded by Octave Terrian, named by a kind of fish still abounding in nearby Carp Lake.

CECIL, Emmet County

A sawmill settlement named for its store keeper, Mr. Cecil. Palmer B. Clark became its first postmaster on Jan. 31, 1901.

CONWAY / DODGE'S LANDING, Emmet County

This settlement on the west shore of Crooked Lake, in Little Traverse Township was named Crooked Lake in 1878, it was renamed Dodge's Landing in 1881, honoring the Dodge family who gave the church and school. On May 18, 1882, with Horace C. Miller as its first postmaster, it was given a post office named Conway, in honor of Conway Dodge, also in 1882 it was given a station on the Grand Rapids & Indiana Railroad.

CROSS VILLAGE / L'ARBRE CROCHE {Crooked Tree} / L'CRUIX {The Cross} / ANAMIEWATIGOING {At the tree of prayer}, Emmet County

ELY, Emmet County

This village in Center Township was settled in 1876 and named for state representative Herman D. Ely. Charles Cook became its first postmaster on Jan. 2, 1879, the office operating until May 31, 1908/

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EPSILON, Emmet County

The village began with the Purchis family, from New York State, who built a grist mill here. William D. Purchis became the first postmaster on Oct. 5, 1882, the office operating until May 31, 1914, letters of the Greek alphabet were given as names to several Michigan post offices; Alpha, Delta, Sigma, Epsilon, etc. [Allen F. Purchis, Archives}

GALILEE, Emmet County

A hamlet in 1859

GOOD HART / GOOD HEART, Emmet County

This site was part of l'Arbre Croche, Joseph Black Hawk was one is chiefs and his brother was named Great Heart or Good Heart. Silas W McNeil became the first postmaster of Good Hart, {which the Indian agent misspelled Good Heart, and the error still stands. {Clifford Powers, PM}

HARBOR POINT / LANSING RESORT, Emmet County

A group of people from Lansing camped on a peninsula on Little Traverse Bay and were so impressed by the site that they organized and bought the land from its owner, Rev. John Weitkamp, of Cross Village, they then platted and built the Lansing Resort, as it was first called. Given a post office as Harbor Point on June 28, 1917, with Clio I. Wright as its first postmaster.

HARBOR SPRINGS, Emmet County

HUGHART, Emmet County Caleb N. Teeters became the first postmaster of this rural post office on Jan. 24, 1881, the office operating until Jan. 16, 1882.

JOY, Emmet County

When grocer Joseph K. Feick became the first postmaster of this rural post office on May 5, 1884, it was in Charlevoix County. The office was closed on July 9, 1890. It was restored on Feb. 26, 1891, changed into Emmet County on Nov. 20, 1895, but closed permanently on Oct. 31, 1899.

KEGOMIC

LAKE GROVE, Emmet County

Edwin A. Morford became the first postmaster of this summer resort of Bear Lake, 7 miles from Petoskey, on May 11, 1896, the post office spelling was Lakegrove, and the office operated until only Sept. 25, 1897.

LAKEWOOD, Emmet County

LARKS LAKE / ROUND LAKE / LARKTON, Emmet County

This rural post office was named for B. C. Lark who became its first postmaster on July 3, 1888, the office operating until July 9, 1890.

The first settlers Nicholas & Peter Goldsmith, John Gales & Nicholas Dusseldorf came here abt. 1890 & called it Round Lake, but due to the superfluity of Round Lakes, it was renamed Larks Lake, for Alexander Lark, a pioneer landowner, and he became its first postmaster on Oct. 27, 1900, with the office named Larks; The office operated until Oct. 31, 1905 {Bruno Zulkiewski}

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LEVERING / LEVERINGTON, Emmet County

This village in then Egleston Township was founded in 1882 as a way station on the Grand Rapids & Indiana Railroad and first named Leverington after Joshua Levering. The name was shortened to Levering and it was given a post office on Feb. 15, 1883, with James Heany as its first Postmaster {Po Archives}

LONGSDALE, Emmet County

Martin Cosmer became the first postmaster of this rural post office on Jan. 25, 1881, the office operating until June 1, 1883.

MAPLEWOOD, Emmet County

Lorenzo D. French became the first postmaster of this rural post office in Bear Creek Township, opened on July 29, 1878, the office operating until Sept. 2, 1880.

MENONAQUA BEACH, Emmet County

This resort community on Little Traverse Bay was given a station on the Grand Rapids & Indiana Railroad about 1882.

MOSSVILLE, Emmet County

Squire Phillips became the first postmaster of this rural post office on July 26, 1876, the office operating until March 4, 1878.

ODEN, Emmet County

PAGE, Emmet County

A station on a branch of the Grand Rapids & Indiana Railroad in 1884.

PELLSTON, Emmet County

PETOSKEY / PORTERS VILLAGE, Emmet County

A Presbyterian Indian mission founded in Bear Creek Township in 1852 by Rev. Andrew Porter known as Porter's Village.

PLEASANT VIEW, Emmet County

Pleasant View Township was organized in 1876, and George W. Law became the first postmaster of the hamlet in it on Jan. 14, 1878, the office operating until July 31, 1907.

PON-SHE-WA-ING, Emmet County

RAMONA PARK, Emmet County

This settlement in Little Township had a station on the Pennsylvania Railroad in 1926.

READMOND, Emmet County

Isaac Colburn became the first postmaster of this rural post office, named after its township, on Feb. 19, 1886, the office operating until Jan. 31, 1901.