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The Original Ferry Tales - a folk history of Conneaut Lake ferry

Landings - Well, at least some of them are still there (download intensive!)

Conneaut Lake Park:

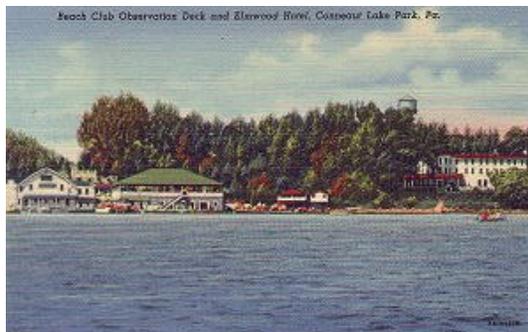


The Keystone at Exposition Park - 1890s. This picture comes to mind whenever anybody begins to wax poetic of "Victorian Times." Half of it is elegant - steamboat and pavilion - the other half nothing but mud roads and ruin. Here we see the sidewheeler Keystone docked at Exposition Park. The building you can barely see in the right-background is a newly built Park Hotel which would later be expanded and also renamed the

"Conneaut." This dock is about where the bathing beach was built in later years. Image courtesy of Jackie Elliott.



This photo, *Lakefront, Exposition Park, Conneaut Lake, Pa. 1908* by W.W. Wilt sort of sums it all up; The triple dock to hold as many steamers as possible for train passengers that would pour down through the dock pavilion on their way to the hotels on the Lake's opposite shore. What a sight it must have been! The pavilion burned in a devastating fire at the Park in the year this was copyrighted - 1908. The original Park office can be seen peeking out and around the right side of the pavilion. It remains, a reminder of the times. This image is LC-USZ62-125532 DLC from the Panoramic Photographs collection of the [Library of Congress](#) (Ain't the internet wonderful?).



Park Shoreline. Beach Club Observation Deck and Elmwood Hotel, Conneaut Lake Park, Pa. No postmark but around 1950. This card shows what 40 or so years can do. From the left, the "Beach Club" with the bath houses on the lower level, then Park's green-roofed cafeteria. The large, white building to the right is the Elmwood Hotel (see below). A private home now graces the location. One other thing... See the water tower

peeking out from behind the trees at the center-right? It was put up in the mid-1930s and is a great landmark for dating non-marked pictures. Post card from the collection of Don Hilton.