

Sand Lake origin of Name

The name may have originated with early Dutch settlers. Their frows often went to the shore of the Lake now called "Crystal" to get sand for household use. They called the lake "Sant Loe". The Dutch word for sand is Zand old spelling Zant, and for lake it is Loe f. The present Dutch spelling would be Zand Loe f.

from notes of Joseph T. Sproule, town historian
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The villages in our town were all known by names other than what they are called today.

The village of Taborton was known as East Sand Lake at first, then came Georgetown in honor of George Horton, who was born there Sept. 20, 1792. Finally it was named Taborton, meaning "promised land," the name we all know today.

Sand Lake village was known as Sliter's Corners and received its name from the Sliter family who were pioneer settlers there. Then it was changed to Sand Lake.

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