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Northville Northampton Historical Society

NORTHVILLE STREET PLAN DATES BACK TO EARLY 1800s

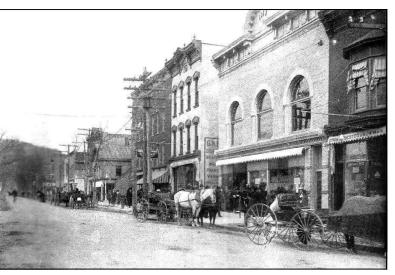
In 1797 Calvin Young, commissioner of highways for the town of Broadalbin, laid out a road north and south at what is now Main Street. At one time this was an Indian trail. A few years later another road was established starting at the old fording place on the Sacandaga River, running east to cross Main Street where the Methodist Church now stands. It was first called Grove street, this became Washington Street. The rest of the streets were laid out from1800 to 1860 The center of the village was marked with a stone at the east end of Center Street. Not too many years ago the stone was removed. Some of us tried to locate it but was unsuccessful. Today there is a plaque mounted on a similar stone and placed approximately where the original stone was located.



Upstreet, Overstreet and Downstreet

Depending where you lived/live or where you happen to be. If you lived outside of the village you would say that you were going Overstreet. Those who lived north of the village, would go Downstreet. Most everyone living in the village would go Upstreet.

The streets in Northville were purposely laid out in a grid which makes it convenient in many ways. It's very attractive for one thing. It is easy to find addresses. The lay-out of the streets makes taking walks and bicycling enjoyable. Northville streets make garage sale weekends attractive to easily walk from house to house and safe for the annual trick-or-treaters. I often hear comments from outsiders of how beautiful the village of Northville is.



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MUSEUM

We had a great summer at the museum. There were new displays shown . There were over 400 visitors in attendance and several tours given.

Several new items were donated to add to our collection, one was a chair from the old Star Theater. It is currently being restored.

The museum in now open by appointment in September and October. Call 518 863 2628 for a free tour.

HONORING and REMEMBERING ANOTHER NORTHVILLIAN *Helen Angell* 20 years of service as Village Clerk-Treasurer 1954 to 1974



From left to right: Herbert Corey, Mayor Burdette Brownell, Helen, Marlene Junquera, deputy clerk-treasurer, and Norman Barker at Bendl's Brass Rail for a party in her honor. 1974

The following are excerpts from the Gloversville-Johnstown Leader Herald April 29, 1974

Mrs. Angell, Retiring Clerk is Honored By Friends, Officials.

"As I look across the room I can't help but think about the cross section of people who have come to honor Helen", Herbert Corey said during ceremonies honoring retiring Village Clerk-Treasurer, Mrs. Helen Angell.

Corey, a neighbor of Mrs. Angell's for many years commented that there are "people from all walks of life; family, clergy, town and village officials and businessmen and women here to honor her."

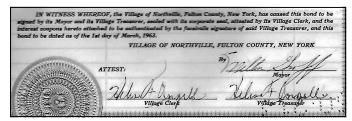
Corey went on to tell that P. C Pickard, Mrs. Angell's predecessor asked her if she would be interested in learning the job to take over for him as he was getting along in years and felt he could no longer fulfill the duties of the job.

He went on to say, "State auditors have complimented her on her good work. She seems to have an inborn sense of other's feelings. She can be happy when others are happy and sad when they are sad.

Mayor Burdette Brownell presented Helen with a money tree and Norman Barker, who was serving

as Master of Ceremonies, introduced Dennis Poulin, Sheldon Ginter, Donald Wood, village board members.

Barker thanked Mrs. Marlene Junquera and Terry Horton for making the arrangements for the party and Mrs. Junquera presented Mrs. Angell with a charm bracelet on behalf of co-workers and friends. Mrs. Angell thanked the past and present board members for their co-operation and closed by saying, "thank you for honoring me just by being here."



When my father, Ervin B. Angell (a former NCS teacher and vice principal) retired from BOCES as an Asst. Superintendent for business, my parents traveled a bit and wintered at their Miramar, Florida, home. When my father passed away in 1984, Mom stayed in Northville for a few years, but age and failing health forced her to sell the family home on South First Street. She then moved to Brockport, NY where my sister & I lived. She lived independently in her own apartment until 1999 when she entered an assisted living facility. She remained there until 2007 when she passed away *Written by Helen's daughter, Ann Angell Sutton*.

IN TRACTION A Local heavy metal band 2002 - 2007



"In Traction" band from Northville, shown practicing. The members of the band are from left, bass guitarist Josh Bovee, drummer Jay Bowie, lead singer Frank Demmert IV and guitarist Luke Bovee.

"In Traction" was a heavy metal/hardcore band in Northville, NY. Founded by Josh Bovee (Bass), Jason Bowie (drums) and Luke Bovee (guitar) in late 2002. The group named their band, "In Traction" which came from some lyrics in a song "m Mouth for War" from Pantera, an America heavy metal band.

In the summer of 2003 they completed their lineup with vocals from Frank Demmert. They played their first show in the Fall of '03 and began playing regularly in Gloversville and Albany.

In 2004 they recorded a 4-song demo with Chad Lenig in Amsterdam, NY. In 2005 they loaded a tour bus with 50 fans and headed to NYC to play at Blaggards Pub and compete for a Jagermeister sponsorship. They won the competition, so Jagermeister repressed their demo and made them a Jagermeister Sponsored Artist. *Jägermeister is a German digestif made with 56 herbs and spices. Developed in 1934 by Wilhelm and Curt Mast*.

In 2006 they released a 13 song full lengeth CD named "Battleground". In the Spring of 2007 they decided to part ways. Over the course of 4 years they played well over 200 shows. Some of the highlights would be sharing the stage with a few national acts such as Kittie, Diecast and Kreator as well as some popular local acts in Brick by Brick, Last Call, Street Sweeper, and countless others.

Written by Luke Bovee, Josh Bovee, & Jay Bowie



Christina Chamberlain quoted the "In Traction" band members in an article about them in the Leader Herald (2005) "Playing in the Times Square area of New York City is something that many dream about, but few small town bands get to experience. If there is a place to play where it happens, it's going to be in the city" Demmert said. "To play something of that magnitude is a feeling of great accomplishment." Bowie added. Luke said, "Wow we are in New York City and we are going to play".

Luke, Josh, are cousins from Northville, Jay is a friend of Josh and Luke from high school . Frank Demmert was a friend from Gloversville, NY