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MAY DAY 1940



First row:: Betty Buyce, Peggy Conroy, Grace Hayden, Carol Heath, (Queen), Ruth Fraiser, Mary Lawton,, Ruth Grosso Second row: Betty Marlette. Marion Hopkins, Betty Grennell, Iona Sauve, Grace Darling, Alice Richards, Ethel Sweet Top Row: Velma Young, Eleanor Jensen, Dixie Edwards, Martha Bradt, Elizabeth Brownell, Lois Wheeler, Beulah Morris Children: Jean Ferguson and (?)



1941 Second Annual May Day Program at NCS

Queen Ruth Grosso, and queen of 1940, Carol Heath Attendance: Dorothy Fischer, Peggy Conroy, Charlotte Hopkins, Sally Young, Ruth Fraiser, Charlotte Fraiser. Crown Bearer; Janet Gardner, Train Bearers; Velma Davis and Grace Gali

What was the May Day Celebration about?

For several years the Northville High School celebrated May Day by electing a Queen, followed by a Track and Field day competition of the Tri-County League Schools.



MAY DAY PROGRAM

- 1. Processional
- 2. Reading History of May Day Velma Young
- Coronation of 1941 May Queen, Ruth Grosso by Carol Heath, May Queen of 1941
- 4. Vocal Duet

Bessie Knowles Velma Young

5. Recessional

Accompanist - Miss Evedna Schermerhorn

Field Day Events on playground immediately following Recessional.

Archery for girls will be at convenience of contestants and officials

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Health Room will be open for any First Aid.

Tennis schedule for boys and girls will be made when entries are in.

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Instructions to Contestants

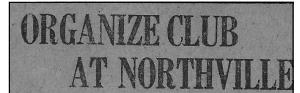
Report at registration desk - south steps Be sure you are registered for your events Be on time for your event - It is your responsibility.

Listen to all announcements concerning your event or any necessary changes

Must be at least 3 entries or event will be omitted

ORDER OF FIELD DAY EVENTS 1. Girls High Jump 2. Boys Broad Jump 3. Eirls Broad Jump 4. Boys High Jump 5. Boys Base Circling 6. Girls Baseball Throw 7. Boys Pole Vault 8. Girls Basketball Throw 9. Boys 220 yard Dash 10. Girls 75 yard Dash 11. Boys 440 yard Dash 12. Girls 50 yard Dash 13. Girls Softball game 14. Boys 100 yard Dash Director - Grant Morrison

SMART SET SOCIETY Who wants to join? Sorry this was in 1923 and no longer exists



Smart Set Society to Promote Social and Athletic Activities.

NORTHVILLE, Jan. 12.-A new alub has been formed in Northville known as the Smart Set society, being composed of young men of Northville. The society has acquired rooms in the Willard block in Main street and was organized for social and athletic purposes. The club was organized with twelve charter members as follows: President, Lionel Van Brocklin; vicepresident, Hamilton Chequer; secretary-treasurer, Robert George Van Arnam, Solomon Sumner, Leon Slack, Stanley Saterlee, Raymond Robinson, William Fry, Clarence Crowter, William Alter and Harold Allen.

Tri County League Champion Soccer team about 1960



Bottom row left to right: Joe Murphy, Bob Trembley, Steve Van Arnam, Jack Groff, Tom Burlison, Sheldon Ginter, Gary Johnson, Dave Gruet, Bob Morrison

Second row: Bob Zanella, Gene Sauve, Skip Meade, Rick Horton, Dave Mead, Gib Gruet, Ed Savage, Harry Mosher, John Ferguson

Third Row: Coach Meade, Phil Van Huesen, Pete Barker, Mike Alter, Bruce Blowers, Bob Howitt, George Brown, Bill Dunham, Bill Brown, Frank Eddy, Will Loveless

Fourth Row: Manager; Fred Serfis, Rick Ellsworth, Ernie Gifford, Bill Davis, Jim Casey, Paul Eddy, Steve Lair, Jerry Wildermuth, John Rogers, Daryl Jensen, Manager; Bruce Fountain

From Wm. H. Bass History Stories (Wm. Bass was a local lawyer)

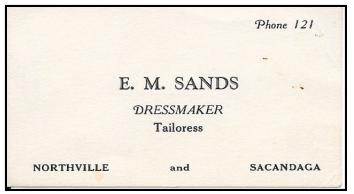
Jacob Van Arnam operated a store where the old Northville bank now stands. According to Mr. Bass, Jacob was the first merchant to introduce oysters in Northville. He also put in a supply of bananas but the towns people did not take kindly to them at the time and he had to wheel them away to the dump.

Classes of 1950 to 1959 will be celebrating a reunion July 1, 2016 from 1 to 5 at the American Legion Pavilion, sponsored by the class of 1956. Get your reservation to your class representative or Art Storer, as soon as possible. The committee needs a count. \$12 a person.



Ella sang alto in the Baptist Church choir for many years. I remember her as a little lady and a good friend of my grandmother. (Editor)

Here's a photo & business card for Ella M. Sands (1882-1955), who was a dressmaker/tailoress in Northville. She was the mother of a son Arthur, and daughters Jessie, Elizabeth, Grayce, and Marcella. She worked out of her home, first in a house on South Main Street, then later the stucco house on Bridge Street, and finally at 211 South 2nd Street. She was a member of the Baptist Church in the village. Her picture was taken at a studio by a professional photographer, as was a common practice.(Sent in by Jack Sands, Ella's grandson.) before families owned their own cameras, and now picture phones. (Picture compliments of Ella's grandson, Jack Sands)





"OFF WE GO!"... on a summertime drive. Del Paine (behind the wheel operated a garage at old Sacandaga Park during the tourist season. This shot taken in 1913, shows Del driving a group over the old Northville bridge. Seated i front, next to Del, is Erwin Cramer. In the back seat are Blanche Cramer an Ella Sands and their children. (Photo courtesy of Mrs. Ed Knott, Sr., Mayfiel RD 1) There was a Doctor Cramer who had a cottage in the park. I'm assuming this is his family.