

# NNHS NEWS LETTER

Northville Northampton Historical Society

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## Historical Society Meeting

June 6, 7 p.m.

### At the Municipal Bldg.

"Bring a snack to share if you like or,  
just come and enjoy the evening."

Decaf coffee and tea will be available.

Our own Uncle Josh will tell a story  
about "Movin Pictures at Punkin Center"



The Topic of the evening will be

## Drama in Northville

Northville has always been blessed with much talent and especially in the field of Drama and Music. As far back as the late 1800's local plays and musicals took place in Churches, Schools, Star Theater, Willard's Hall, Tents and Open air as well as the Rustic Theater,

Come and see many pictures, playbills, posters, old high school plays, and see a relative's name or even your name mentioned.

**Barbara Sperry** will also be sharing about how Bats Bay was started and I'm sure some interesting stories that took place as she was the Executive Director of Bats Bay.

Next month the feature in the newsletter  
will be Pictures and History of  
Drama in Northville



## NNHS MUSEUM

Opening this season  
June 23 - Sept 1  
Wednesday  
and Saturday's  
10 a.m.  
To  
2 p.m.

Skip Thompson has already volunteered as a guide. We will need other members to substitute. Please let Gail know if you can help out this summer.

## Logging Sleds

Last month the members of the historical society unanimously voted to donate the logging sleds that are in our possession, since we don't have a place to display them.

We are still waiting to hear from the Adirondack Museum at Blue Mountain Lake concerning if they will accept our donation of the logging sleds.



Currently stored in Terry Warner's barn

## OLD LETTERS

Letters are almost a thing of the past. We are going to lose a lot when we lose this art of communication. Save the letters you have, they will be history someday.

I ran across a letter this week, almost 100 yrs old, and thought it gave a peek into the past. It was written in **1913** by a lady who had moved to Gloversville from our area. She is writing to a relative in Hope Falls. I'm transcribing it just as she wrote it, including the punctuations and spelling.

Top of the page it said : Excuse poor writing & mistakes

Gloversville, N.Y  
Mar. 14, 1913

Dear Aunt Phene,

Will write to you now while I have time I just got My gloves done I have had work this week sence Tues. noon & earnt \$3.55 I have had cuffs to put on 4 doz of jerseys I had 17 dozen of cuffs to put on this week. The glove pletter don't come until Tues noon again. I was surprised to hear Margie had a boy so soon I looked for elation from Frank before I did from her but got fooled.

We are all well—all work arduous don't earn only about \$3.00 a day now but when he gets in a little more he will earn more. We are getting to move the first of April they have bought the place where Anna Engram lives I suppose you will have a new neighbor soon they are coming up there as soon as they get ready to moved. Mr Leach never saw a sheep or pig or anything I don't know if he even saw a hen tird or not they are so nice you can hardly look at them

I was glad to hear from you I thought of writing to you the other day than I didn't have any stamp so I didn't. I can see how nice you are having it up there it is a wonder grandpa don't get drunk again.

I like it down here better than I thought I would haven't got a bit home sick yet. Don't know when I can come home. Am glad Buster and Lucas are all right I suppoee Miss Corbet will soon want the dog wish we could keep him. The girls & Felix are down town so we old people are home alone. It is all bare ground down here & mud is about a ft. deep all over here. Am glad you are all well up there hope you all stay so give my love to grandma—grandpa. Well guess I have wrote enough for now Write & let me know if there is any news up there - if any of you get sick. I would like to see Marjies boy she must look funny tending a baby.

Write often Love to all  
Your niece  
Mrs. A. B.  
28 Berlington

Is Ike ugly to the dog yet?



## DENTISTS IN NORTHVILLE

At present Northville doesn't have a local dentist practicing in the village.

**Dr. Milo K. Waite** was a dental surgeon in Northville for 30 years, from 1885 to 1915.

**R. I. Young** graduate of Baltimore College of Dental Surgery. His Dental Parlors were upstairs over the Allen and Palmer building. He was here in 1889.

**Dr. F. D. Greene**, a graduate of the U. of Buffalo opened a practice over the G.N. Brown Drugstore. He advertised, "Dental work of all kinds, carefully executed and prices reasonable. 7 years experience"

**Dr. Roberr K Lansing** practiced here after 1900.



**Dr. Frank W. Meter** came to Northville in 1912. His office

was over the old G.N. Brown /Kested Drugstore on Main Street. He retired in 1949. His family was very musical.

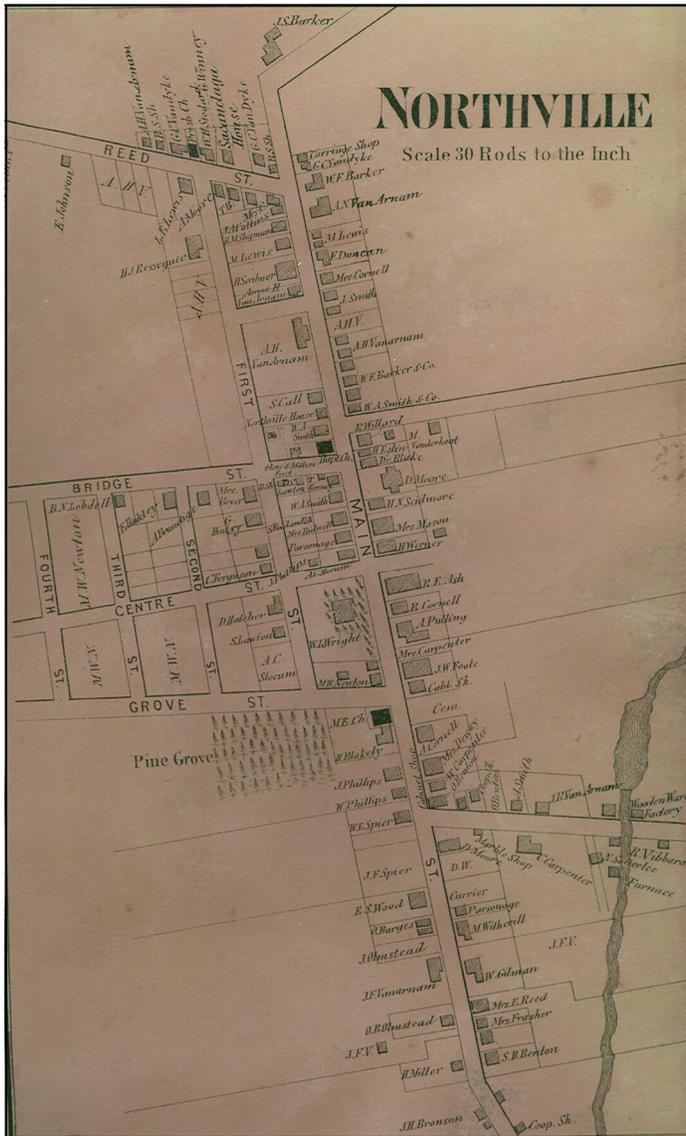
**Dr. Ernest C. Schwilk's** office was on North Main where the ADK Country Store is today. He had his dental practice here for 20 year, during the "40s and 50's". Someone told me he drove a 54 Hudson.

**Dr. Eugene B. Jarvis**, educated at Georgetown Univ., came to Northville in 1955. His office was in the former Isaac Bowman home on Reed Street.

**Dr. Herbert Hammons** was a 1956 graduate of Bowdoin College in Maine and in 1961 he graduated from Tufts University School of Dentistry. He moved to Northville where he practiced until his retirement in 2001.

Send to me your memories or pictures that you'd like to see in the NNHS Newsletter, or write an article. I will be glad to print them. If anyone finds misinformation about anything printed in this newsletter, please inform me so that I can correct it. Editor

# 1868 Map of Northville



## DOWN MEMORY LANE



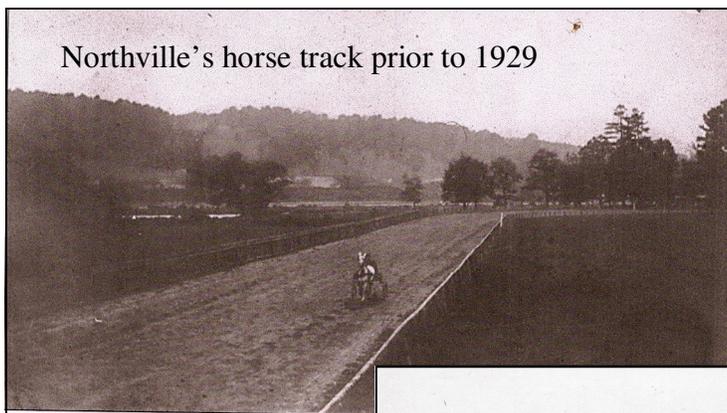
Northville Girls on S. Main Street  
(note dirt street)



Betty Tuccio in the Sugar Bowl  
circa 1950's



Inside the old Northville Bank



Northville's horse track prior to 1929



The track was located on the flats which would have been over the bank behind the playground at NCS. It was owned by Scott Partridge,

who at the turn of the century was a State Assemblyman from Northville. Note the Sacandaga River in the background.



Milk Man delivering milk on Main St.  
Old Baptist Church in the background