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ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Form 3 Holdings Reported

Form 4 Transactions Reported

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*

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Kupferberg                Max                L.
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(Last)                    (First)                    (Middle)

                        615 Merrick Avenue
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                        (Street)

Westbury                NY                11590
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(City)                    (State)                    (Zip)

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol New York Community Bancorp, Inc.

(NYB)

3. I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (Voluntary)

4. Statement for Month/Year December 2002

5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year) _____

6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)

X Director ___ Officer ___ 10% Owner ___ Other

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----- (give title below) (specify below)

7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing
(Check Applicable Line)

- Form filed by One Reporting Person
- Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

TABLE I--NON-DERIVATIVE SECURITIES ACQUIRED, DISPOSED OF, OR BENEFICIA

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (mm/dd/yy)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (mm/dd/yy)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount, Beneficial Ownership End of Fiscal Year (Instr. 5)
			Code	Amount (A) or Price (D)	

Common Stock

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			Code	Amount (A) or (D)	Price (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

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TABLE II--DERIVATIVE SECURITIES ACQUIRED, DISPOSED OF, OR BENEFICIALLY OWNED
(E.G., PUTS, CALLS, WARRANTS, OPTIONS, CONVERTIBLE SECURITIES)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5.
Option to Purchase Common Stock (3)	\$27.405			
Option to Purchase Common Stock (4)	\$24.61	7/24/02	A	

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6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned At End of Year (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (Instr. 4)
Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
7/24/02	1/24/12	Common Stock	121,500	D
7/24/03	7/24/12	Common Stock	25,500	D

Explanation of Responses:

(1) Represents shares previously reported as being held by Mr. Kupferberg and Mrs. Kupferberg directly that are now held by the Max K One LLC, of which Mr. and Mrs. Kupferberg are shareholders.

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- (2) Represents shares previously reported as being held by Mr. Kupferberg directly that are now held by the Max and Selma Kupferberg Foundation, of which Mr. and Mrs. Kupferberg are Trustees.
- (3) Options automatically granted pursuant to the reload feature of the New York Community Bancorp, Inc. ("NYCB") 1997 Stock Option Plan that were exercisable beginning on July 24, 2002.
- (4) Options granted under the NYCB 1997 Stock Option Plan that vest in three equal annual installments beginning on July 24, 2003.

/s/ Ilene A. Angarola

February 14, 2003

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

By: Ilene A. Angarola, Power of Attorney
For: Max L. Kupferberg

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