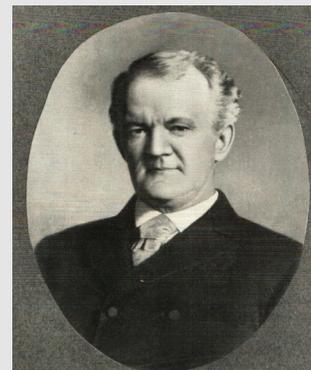


QUIRICO DRIVE



1. When Francis J. Quirico was born in 1911, his parents had only been in this country for six years. His story takes him from the Lakewood neighborhood in Pittsfield, to law school at Northeastern University and then into the army as a captain in World War II. He returned to his law practice in Pittsfield, but his reputation as an impartial proponent of the law earned him a seat first on the Superior Court and then as a justice on the Supreme Court of Massachusetts where he served twelve years.

PLUNKETT STREET



2. William Plunkett came from a family of textile mill owners in Pittsfield, Adams and Hinsdale. He became President of the Pontoosuc Woolen Company in 1891. Other businesses called on his expertise to help them in life insurance, banking and even the new electrical industry. Plunkett was also active in civic and political affairs, most notably serving as head of the trustees of the newly built Berkshire Athenaeum, since its construction in 1876.

VIN HEBERT BOULEVARD



3. In 1989, Vin Hebert retired from public service a year after the City Council renamed a street after him. It was fitting that the road they selected runs up to Onota Lake and Burbank Park because Herbert had been superintendent of Pittsfield's Department of Parks and Recreation for 39 years. He came to Pittsfield in 1950 after service in both the Atlantic and Pacific theaters of war, including as a beachmaster during the invasion of Normandy. At Springside Park, there is an arboretum named after him for his tireless efforts to preserve that as an urban park.



DAN CASEY MEMORIAL DRIVE



5. From 1935-1963, Dan Casey served the people of Pittsfield as a city councilor and state representative. Called a "political firebrand," he was also a fisherman and enjoyed the north shore of Onota Lake where he promoted the construction of a causeway. The road that bears his name has enough parking to allow residents to fish, bird watch or just appreciate a moment of quiet.

DOWNING INDUSTRIAL PARKWAY

4. A champion of business, John F. Downing raised his hand to serve on many charitable organizations as well as business associations in Pittsfield, throughout the county and across the nation. He directed the Pittsfield Chamber of Commerce and served on the American Industrial Development Council and the National Association of Travel Organizations. He helped to steward the merger of two business associations in Pittsfield. An industrial park on the east side of Pittsfield that he promoted was named after him, as well as the street leading to it after he died at the age of 44 in 1961.

