

# Memorial Park Route

Route



- 1** The William Ditchett House
- 2** The Pennsylvania Silk Mill
- 3** Roosevelt School
- 4** Bangor Park
- P** Parking
-  Start/Stop

..... Distance 1.18 Miles

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## **The William Ditchett House**

The William Ditchett House is an example of the large houses constructed during the boom days of the slate industry. William Ditchett owned a quarry along Rt. 512 near East Bangor.

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## **The Pennsylvania Silk Mill**

The Pennsylvania Silk Mill began in 1905 as the Bangor Silk Mill. Seven years later it greatly expanded and was renamed the Pennsylvania Silk Company, which manufactured broad silk fabric. For most of the 20th century, the textile and garment industries were the economic backbone of the community.

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## **Roosevelt School**

Roosevelt School was constructed in 1906 by Amos Albert based on architect Harvey T. Hauer's design and named for President Theodore Roosevelt. It accommodated the increase of population in Bangor's 4th Ward at the early 20th century, most of whom were Italian immigrants.

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## **Bangor Park**

Bangor Park was a federal Works Progress Administration project that began in 1937 with the construction of an above-ground swimming pool/bath house with a distinctive Art Moderne style entryway. The entrance is the only part that remains of the old pool, which was razed in 1995 to make way for an in-ground pool and other new facilities. The park was rededicated to honor veterans in 1995.