BHDA HISTORICAL TIMELINE

The Bethlehem Historic District Association recognizes our unique urban residential neighborhood. One that is rich with community and fellowship originally established by the Moravians. We celebrate the assignment of a UNESCO World Heritage Site designation to the Moravian settlement that is in the center of our community.

1980's

The first meeting of the BHDA was held June 29th in 1989 at the home of Michael Moss and Ellen Chapman and 65 residents of the district attended. Committees were formed for nominations, parking issues, crime prevention and news watchers to alert the board of city meetings which would affect the district.

1990's

1995 - Musikfest Parking Program Begins
1996- By-Laws Work Begins
1999- By Laws Adopted
1998 Welcome Committee Begins
1999 First Holiday House Tour

2000's

2000 Holiday House Tour
2000 Mayor Cunningham at Annual Meeting
2001 First BHDA Sidewalk Sale
2003 Holiday House Tour
2005 Holiday House Tour
2006 BHDA Receives Non Profit Status
2006 Board begins to meet at the Library
2008 Streetscape Master Plan Presented
2008 Holiday House Tour
20009 BHDA Website Created

2010's

2010 Holiday House Tour
2012 Holiday House Tour
2014 Holiday House Tour
2016 Oral History Project
2016 Back When Digital Archiving
2017 Holiday House Tour
2019 Town Hall Community Event
2011-2019 41 Homeowner grants disbursed a total of $48,399

2020's

2020 - Mission Statement Revised
2021 New Logo and Design for the BHDA
2021 Holiday House Tour - 30K to HBMS
2023 - StrEATing Event
2023 Record 54 homes in Yard Sale
2023 BHDA lights up Payrow Plaza for Luminaria Night
2023 Revised Grant Program
2024 History Committee Formed
2024 BHDA Webstore Created
2024 BHDA Volt. night at Musikfest
2024 New Record 66 homes in Yard Sale
2024 Holiday House Tour - 35K shared between HBMS and BPL
2024 Luminaria Night raises $7600
2020-2024 30 Homeowner grants disbursed a total of $48,193