

BINGLEWOODS

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HAPPY NEW YEAR !!

CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

Park Readiness – The Park will not likely be finished in January as projected. A new projected timeline is not available at this time. The Civic Club was given an opportunity to provide feedback regarding a change in the roofing material for the park's shade structures. Members present at the December meeting approved replacing the plastic roofing material with the recommended metal roofing option. If you have concerns regarding the construction projects impacting our neighborhood, call 311 and reference project numbers: Curb and Gutter M-000293-0001-4, Water Line S-000035-0201-4.

Send questions or comments pertaining to the curb and gutter project to construction@binglewood.com.

WELCOME NEW OFFICERS

The 2019 Binglewood Civic Club officers were elected and installed during our December Civic Club meeting. Board members and officers volunteer their time and energy to benefit the residents of our community. Welcome them to their new posts and show your appreciation by joining them at the January meeting. The following are the results of the election.

- Board Position 1 – Patrick Gonzalez
- Board Position 2 – Ray Trantham*
- Board Position 3- Marilyn Duty
- President – Laura Gianakos
- Vice President – Joann Cortez
- Secretary – Rey Doria**
- Treasurer – David Cambra**
- Seargeant at Arms – Noel Lezama*

*Second Term; ** Third Term approved by vote of members present

JANUARY 2019 CALENDAR

Civic Club Meeting

Saturday, January 12 | 10:30AM - 12PM
St. Jerome Catholic School | Adult Education Room

BOARD & OFFICER ELECTIONS

Trash & Lawn Clippings

Every Friday

Recycle (Green Can)

Fridays | January 4 and 18; February 2

Junk Waste

Thursday, February 21

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

Tree Waste

Friday, January 24

BINGLEWOOD CIVIC CLUB

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NEWSLETTER

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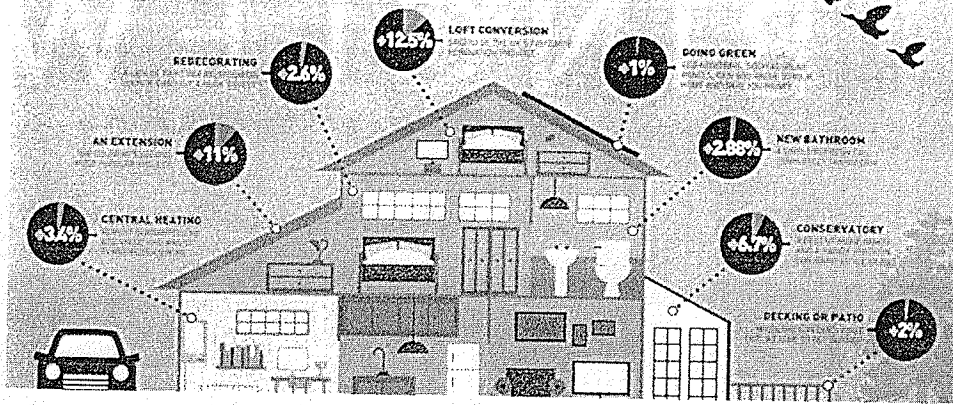
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CIVIC CLUB LEADERS

Binglewood Civic Club Officers
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 Vice President, Joann Cortez
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**Binglewood Civic Club
 Board of Directors**
 Patrick Gonzalez
 Ray Trantham
 Marilyn Duty

Adding Value to Your Home



THE STRAY CAT PROBLEM

Binglewood residents are being proactive in addressing the stray cat numbers by practicing the Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR) program. The TNR program involves humanely trapping stray cats, taking to a veterinarian to be spayed or neutered, vaccinated, and ear tipped (the universal sign that a community cat has been neutered and vaccinated), then returning to their outdoor home. This program has proven to be more effective in managing cat populations than the trap and relocate practices, which leave a vacuum ultimately filled with more feral cats. TNR establishes a balanced, stable community of feral and family cats within the community. For more information go to:

<https://www.alleycat.org/our-work/trap-neuter-return/>.

LOCAL YMCA POOL OPEN

I've ran across to many neighbors at the Brenda Duncan Young YMCA to consider that place insignificant. They closed down their indoor/heated pool in November and have opened it again on December 17th! Stop by and enjoy this wonderful resource all year round!

HOME IMPROVEMENTS

Everyone has heard the home improvement nightmare: I paid my contractor THOUSANDS of dollars and have nothing to show for it! There are ways to avoid this. Start by making sure you get an estimate from multiple vendors – let the vendors know you need to get another estimate before making a decision. Never make a quick decision, always sleep on it. Make sure the contractor you choose provides you a written contract that includes start dates, timelines, materials to be used, costs, and payment schedules. Make sure to read the contract, and the contact is complete – everything filled out. Get a copy of the original contract. Do not provide a big deposit with nothing in hand: paying for half the materials might be normal, only once the materials are on the premises though. Do not pay with cash – pay with a check or credit card. Using a credit card provides you the extra security of disputing charges. Any reputable business these days will take a credit card.

EVENTS

Spring Branch Super Neighborhood Meeting
 Thursday, January 10 | 7:00 PM -8:00 PM
 St. Christopher's Episcopal Church
 1656 Blalock | Latham Hall

25th Annual MLK Grande Parade Midtown Houston
 Monday, January 11
 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

13th Annual MLK Youth Parade Midtown Houston
 Saturday, January 19

MATCH Family Fun Day – Free, Midtown
 Sunday, January 20
 1:00 PM – 5:30 PM

YARD CONSIDERATIONS

It's about to be spring! Time to start considering yours yards. With the heavy rains, it might be a good time to weed and feed.

CHEAP SKATES

Discovery green has it's ice rink open for th year. Mondays January 7th, 14th, and 28th are discounted admission from 5pm to 10pm.

OPEN HOUSE

New art house in Houston! Stop by and see it. Open daily from sun up to sun down. It's F, R, double E – FREE!



January 3rd through February 28th
 10 Baby, Houston, Texas 77002