

# BINGLEWOODS

Binglewood – A deed restricted community to protect our investment

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Our thoughts are with our neighboring communities that were impacted by the explosion. Council Member Amy Peck is currently sending periodic emails with regards to information to assist those impacted by the explosion.

During 2020, Binglewood Civic Club is establishing four committees to focus on the following areas: Security, Social, Park and Infrastructure:  
There will be a Board Member or Officer sponsoring each committee. Volunteers to lead or participate in the committees began during our January Civic Club Meeting. During our future Civic Club meetings, the committees will have the opportunity to break out and discuss next steps in building the committee and identifying actions, etc. The goal of these committees is to bring our neighbors together to work towards maintaining a safe, beautiful and welcoming community.

## WELCOME NEW OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS

The 2020 open Binglewood Civic Club Officer positions were filled in January. Board members and officers volunteer their time and energy to benefit the residents of our community. The results of the following positions filled include:

- *Secretary, Erica Chingos*
- *Treasurer, Laura Gianakos*

The Binglewood Community would like to say "Thank You" to all Officers and Board Members that will participate during 2020. Your commitment to our community is recognized and appreciated.

## CURB AND GUTTER CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

REMAINING WORK: It is urgent that you document with the City of Houston Inspector any repairs that remain to be completed on your property (e.g. sprinkler systems, French drains, cracked apron driveways, and curbs). Please document your concerns via emailing Wanda, City Inspector, at [wanda.kegley@houstontx.gov](mailto:wanda.kegley@houstontx.gov) and CC: [construction@binglewood.com](mailto:construction@binglewood.com).

## STORM SYSTEM FUNCTIONALITY:

Information regarding the Brickhouse Gully Backflow Preventer and layout of the drainage flow throughout the construction will be available on our Binglewood.com website under Menu>documents>City of Houston Projects>Pave and Drainage>System Functionality.

**JIM LEE PARK** our park is open and being enjoyed by many. If you notice any issues with the park, please notify [contact@binglewood.com](mailto:contact@binglewood.com). If possible, please send a picture with your message. While walking your dog, please be considerate and pick up your dog's waste.

## CALENDAR

### Civic Club Meetings: PLEASE NOTE NEW MEETING TIME

Saturday, February 8<sup>th</sup> @  
9:30am – 11pm  
St. Jerome Parish Activity  
Center  
(Use Parking Lot off  
Hollister)

### February Agenda:

Roger Rodriguez, JR,  
SR Vice Commander of VFW  
is our guest speaker.  
Community update  
Break out Committees  
Any Other Business

### Trash & Lawn Clippings

Every Friday

### Recycle (Green Can)

Friday, February 14, 28

### Junk Waste (Even numbered months)

Thursday, February 27<sup>th</sup>

### Tree Waste (Odd numbered months)

Thursday, March 26<sup>th</sup>

## CIVIC CLUB CONTACT

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## CIVIC CLUB LEADERSHIP

President, Joanne Cortez  
Vice President, Ann Cowper  
Secretary, Erica Chingos  
Treasurer, Laura Gianakos  
Sergeant at Arms, Jonathan Vanegas  
Board Position 1, Patrick Gonzalez  
Board Position 2, Rey Doria  
Board Position 3, Noel Lezama

## SUPPORTING BINGLEWOOD

### **Did you know Binglewood Dues are tax deductible?**

Dues may be paid in person at the Civic Club meeting, by mailing a check to the PO Box, or by PayPal at

[www.binglewood.com](http://www.binglewood.com).

Membership dues of \$50 per household, pays for many expenses including trash pick-up and mowing along Clay and Hollister, liability insurance, website enhancements and maintenance, costs for publication, printing, and postage, and legal counsel fees as needed.

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

### **MARKET AT THE MARQ-E**

featuring local artisans, artists & family friendly activities. Held Saturdays, 12pm to 5pm.

**VIDEO GAME NIGHT**, Mario Kart 8 Deluxe – The Square @ Memorial City, Feb. 7<sup>th</sup>, 7PM-9PM.

### **HOUSTON FAMILY MAGAZINE**

**CAMP FAIR** – The Xfinity Fireplace, Memorial City, Feb. 8<sup>th</sup>, 10AM-4PM. Plan for Summer.

### **PUPPET SHOW & WORKSHOP** -

Frolic Castle, Memorial City, Feb. 12<sup>th</sup>, 1AM-11:30AM. Kids learn to

## TREE AND JUNK WASTE COLLECTION

We apologize for incorrectly indicating the tree and junk waste dates in the January Binglewords. Junk waste collection is always during even numbered months and tree waste is always during odd numbered months.

Per Municipal Code Sec. 39-77, tree and junk waste should be placed adjacent to the front curb in an unobstructed location easily accessible to the collection vehicle between the hours of 6 p.m. the Friday before and 7 a.m. on the scheduled collection day.

If the tree or junk waste is not picked up within a few days of the scheduled date, please call 311, get a case number and follow up if it is still not picked up. Residents may be cited for non-compliance.

## STORM DRAIN MAINTENANCE

Houston's Storm Water Maintenance Branch (SWMB) is responsible for maintaining the city's storm drainage system infrastructure. The cooperation of citizens helps to keep maintenance costs down and prevents backups and potential flooding situations. Residents are encouraged to call 311 to report any problems.

By design, storm sewers are self-cleaning; however, they are designed only for storm water and empty directly into major ditches and bayous. Residents should never dispose of grass clippings, motor oil or any other items/debris in the storm sewer.

For streets with open ditches, it is the abutting property owner's responsibility to maintain ditches clear of weeds, brush, rubbish or any debris so water can flow with minimal obstructions.

Please ensure that you or your yard service personnel bag or mulch leaves, pine needles, or grass clippings instead of blowing them into the street or ditches.

## NEIGHBORHOOD SECURITY

### *Gunfire*

Many incidents have been reported of celebratory or nuisance gun fire within our neighborhood. It is disturbing and potentially dangerous to others. Residents are also encouraged to call 911 if you witness someone indiscriminately firing a gun. If you hear gun shots near your home, you may call the HPD non-emergency number, 713/884-3131.

### *Report Criminal Acts*

Neighbors are encouraged to share information about criminal activities at or near your homes. If someone tries to break into your car or home, steals a package from your porch or commits a crime, please report the incident to the police. Be sure to provide any video evidence you have, as well. Also consider sharing this information with your neighbors by posting to Nextdoor.com.