



*"Keeping the Binglewood Community Informed"*

MAY 2021

#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

**Thank you to all residents for responding to our request to contact Council Member Amy Peck's office regarding increased HPD Patrols!**

District A sent out a notice that additional funds were going to be targeted for increased neighborhood patrols and seeking requests from residents specifying the types of problems, and the times and locations in which they occur to determine the greatest need. Of course, Binglewood residents stepped up and the Houston City Council is now working with HPD to increase its presence in our neighborhood! Thanks to all of you who took the time to submit a request. You may have already noticed additional HPD patrols in and around our neighborhood. If you see them, be sure to wave and say, "Thank you." Getting involved and staying active by reporting criminal activity in our neighborhood gives the City and HPD the required statistics to increase resources to address our concerns. Please report all crime by calling HPD's Non-Emergency Number at 713-884-3131, submit an HPD Alert Slip at: <https://citizenalert.houstonpolice.org/> or, if in danger, call 9-1-1.

As the 2021 Hurricane Season officially kicks off on June 1st, please take some time to review and update your hurricane preparedness kit. Please review possible drainage blockages that can be prevented before large rain events. The drainage system is adjacent to all properties for proper run-off of water. Take a look at your home and flood insurance regarding storm coverage. Here is a link that will help better prepare you for the hurricane season: [www.cdc.gov/nceh/features/hurricanepreparedness/index.html](http://www.cdc.gov/nceh/features/hurricanepreparedness/index.html)

During the summer, we will not have meetings in June, July or August and no newsletter in July or August; we will keep you updated via email, the website or social media.

**Special Reminder:** *Our May Civic Club meeting will be held in person in James Lee Park!* We will have a short agenda followed by a community social. In the case of inclement weather, we will revert to a virtual meeting. A message to that effect will be emailed to our subscribers and posted on our website and social media where you will find the zoom link and information regarding the meeting if necessary. This will be our last meeting before summer break which will be a great opportunity to meet your neighbors. Bring a lawn chair and a smile!

#### BINGLEWOOD IS A WONDERFUL PLACE TO LIVE

There are many reasons to make Binglewood your home. Yes, we are very conveniently located close to freeways, shopping and employment opportunities. We have large lots with beautiful homes and are surrounded by new businesses and neighborhoods. But the most important Binglewood attribute is the people. This was never more apparent when recently, a reckless criminal drove a stolen vehicle into one of our neighbor's home, causing significant damage. Thankfully, no one was home at the time. Without being asked, neighbors who were alerted to what had just happened, jumped into action and began cleaning up the debris and utilized their expertise to secure the dwelling before the residents even had a chance to get home. What a wonderful place to live! Thank you to everyone who stepped up to help our neighbor!.

#### BINGLEWOOD COMPLIANCE UPDATE

In effort to maintain our beautiful neighborhood, the Binglewood Civic Club's objectives is to ensure compliance of our Deed Restrictions, Policies and Guidelines along with the City of Houston ("COH") Ordinances. ***If you receive a reminder notice, a letter from the Civic Club or our attorney, please respond as soon as possible to resolve the matter and save attorney's fees.*** Thank you.

#### CALENDAR

Community Meeting  
Saturday, May 8th  
9:30 am – 11:00 am  
Jim Lee Park (weather permitting)  
*Find the Zoom Link and other pertinent information on our website,*  
[www.binglewood.com](http://www.binglewood.com)  
**Agenda:**  
Community Updates  
Social

#### BINGLEWOOD CIVIC CLUB SUMMER SOCIAL EVENT and VOLUNTEER DAY!!!

Saturday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Look for more details in the June  
*Binglewords.*

#### CIVIC CLUB DUES

**Section 6** - \$50 per year (mandatory).  
**Sections 1-5** - \$50 per year (voluntary).  
Donations always welcome!

- **Pay online at:**  
<http://www.binglewood.com/payment.html>
- **Send check by mail to:**  
Binglewood Civic Club, Inc.  
PO Box 430943  
Houston, TX 77243-0943
- **Pay in person at BCC Meeting**

#### CONTACT INFORMATION

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### COVID-19 VACCINATION ELIGIBILITY

Anyone 16 years old and above is now eligible for the COVID-19 vaccine. Click on the link below and type in your address to find a nearby location. Appointments may be necessary.

<https://tdem.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=3700a84845c5470cb0dc3dace5c376b>

### TRASH COLLECTION SCHEDULE

#### Trash & Lawn Clippings

Every Friday-Use City of Houston-designated recyclable bags.

#### Recycle (Green Can)

Friday, May 7<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>

Friday, June 4<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>

#### Tree Waste (Odd Months)

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

Thursday, July 22<sup>nd</sup>

#### Junk Waste (Even Months)

Thursday, June 24<sup>th</sup>

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

**\*\*Junk Waste Collection for April has fallen significantly behind schedule due to a high number of vacancies at Solid Waste Management.**

### VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP

Email [contact@binglewood.com](mailto:contact@binglewood.com) to sign up for one of the following volunteer opportunities:

- Help organize and/or implement a “Post-Covid” neighborhood social activity.
- Deliver newsletters and flyers.
- Help to identify and invite speakers for our Civic Club meetings.
- Help judge Yard of the Month.
- Be a standing committee volunteer.

### WHAT EVER HAPPENED....

Wondering about the status of an issue discussed, a concern raised, a suggestion or solution offered, during a previous meeting? Send your inquiry to [contact@binglewood.com](mailto:contact@binglewood.com) or ask for an update at the next meeting.

### YARD OF THE MONTH IS BACK!

Congratulations to May’s Yard of the Month Winners! Keep up the good work!

Section 1: 8726 Blankenship  
Section 2: 9010 Rockhurst  
Section 3: 9007 Opelika  
Section 4: 3715 Valleyfield  
Section 5: 4103 Mona Lee Ln.  
Section 6: 3519 Colleen Woods Circle

### ARCHITECTURAL COMMITTEE APPROVAL REMINDER

To protect your investment as a Binglewood homeowner, it is **required** that all exterior improvements, as described in the deed restrictions, have the **approval of the Architectural Committee** prior to beginning any work. This is a friendly reminder to submit an Architectural Approval Application prior to beginning any exterior improvements to your home. Doing this will prevent you from having to undo or redo a project you have already started. To access the form, go to <http://www.binglewood.com/documents.php>

### RECYCLE RIGHT! HOUSTON’S SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT PILOT PROJECT

Beginning May 1<sup>st</sup>, The City of Houston is launching a curbside recycling cart-tagging program aimed at educating residents to improve the quality and quantity of recyclable materials collected. Residents will be provided feedback on the contents of their recycling cart. The program will sample 60,000 homes during a six-month period. A team of observers will visit selected residences on collection day and provide feedback on how to improve the contents of their recycling cart. If non-acceptable items are found in the recycling cart, observers will leave an “Oops” Tag on the cart notifying the resident of corrections that need to be made and non-compliant items that need to be removed. If non-compliant items are found on a subsequent visit, another tag will be left for the resident, and the cart may not be serviced. The tag will be left for trash items with food residue, batteries and electronics, long tangled items such as cords, hoses and chains, yard waste, household items, scrap metal, scrap wood and shredded paper. Learn more about how to “recycle right” in Houston, at [www.HoustonRecycles.org](http://www.HoustonRecycles.org).

### HAVE YOU HEARD ABOUT INFORMED DELIVERY?

A new FREE and voluntary service from the U.S. Postal Service scans your mail BEFORE it’s delivered to your home! This service is now available to everyone in Binglewood in the 77080-zip code. Per USPS: “Informed Delivery is a free and optional notification feature that gives residential and eligible PO Box™ consumers the ability to digitally preview their letter-sized mail and manage their packages scheduled to arrive soon. Informed Delivery benefits the entire household by allowing users to view what is coming to their mailbox whenever, wherever – even while traveling – on a computer, tablet, or mobile device.” You can sign up for this service at:

<https://informedelivery.usps.com/box/pages/intro/start.action>

### CENTERPOINT TREE TRIMMING IN PROGRESS

CenterPoint is working to ensure the power lines in our neighborhood are clear of tree limbs that may be cause an interruption of service during wind and rain events. They are leaving notices as to the approximate time frame they expect to be on your street. Be sure to provide them access to your yard so they can get their work done. Power outages during the summer are no fun, so thanks in advance for your cooperation.

### KEEPING YOU INFORMED

Please provide your preferred means of access to BCC communications to increase our efficiency in distributing important information. **Paper copy distribution of Binglewords will be provided upon request only!** Send your completed survey to *PO Box 430943, Houston, TX 77243-0943*, or email the necessary information to [contact@binglewood.com](mailto:contact@binglewood.com).

#### Please Print:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Binglewood Section (circle):    1        2        3        4        5        6

Please distribute **Binglewords** and other critical communications by:

Email 1: \_\_\_\_\_

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Are you bored at home?

Want to get out and meet your neighbors?

Want to do something good for your community?

Volunteer for your Civic Club today!

Go to:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C4CAA72FA5FFC70-binglewood>

Upcoming events include:

- Volunteer Saturday.
- Independence Day Social Event, July 3<sup>rd</sup>
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