

Binglewoods

"Keeping the Binglewood Community Informed"

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



On behalf of the Binglewood Civic Club Officers and Board Members, we wish you and your family a safe and happy Holiday season. Over the past few years, we have seen so much community awareness that makes Binglewood an inviting place to live. As I write this message, I reflect on all the initiatives we set out to accomplish. I am so very proud of our Officers and Board Members for achieving so much. Although I have reached my term limit as President, I look forward to continuing to be a neighbor and friend of so many in our community.

IMPORTANT REMINDER: ELECTIONS AT OUR DECEMBER COMMUNITY MEETING

Nominations for **2022 Binglewood Civic Club Officers and Board Members** are now open! All five Officer Positions (President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Sergeant-at-Arms) and up to three Board Member Positions are open for 2022 (there are now up to five total Board Members with two continuing to serve out their terms in 2022 and 2023).

**Election of Binglewood
Civic Club Officers and
One Board Member
takes place each
December
Make a Difference!
Get Involved!**



HAVE YOU HEARD ABOUT PIP?

PIP is the Houston Police Department's Positive Interaction Program, with meetings held monthly (typically **THIRD TUESDAY** at 7:00 p.m.), that connects neighborhoods with their local HPD leaders or the larger Police Department for presentations from different divisions (e.g., Helicopters, K-9, Burglary and Theft, Homicide, Judges, DAs, etc.) and highlights specific crime issues. In November, many in Binglewood attended (Thank you!) and the NW Division PIP was entirely focused on our neighborhood as recent homicides at Pitner and Hollister and gun activity in immediate proximity to the Park and surrounding areas has been very unnerving. It is this kind of proactive participation that gets us noticed! NW Division Commander Nguyen and District A Councilmember Staff are supportive of Binglewood and actively researching security camera opportunities near the Park. Let's keep it up! Please see www.houstontx.gov/police/pip for more information on the Program and dates and topics for meetings. You may be specifically interested in a Citywide meeting on Tuesday, January 11, 2022 (**SECOND TUESDAY IN THIS CASE**) at 7:00 p.m., 1602 State St., Houston, TX 77007, that will focus specifically on "Surviving an Active Shooter" and featuring Stephen Daniel, HPD Sr. Community Liaison and expert on Active Shooter Defense for Citizens (in-person and streamed live on YouTube). We will send more information on PIP meetings by email and note them on the Binglewood website (www.Binglewood.com). Please show up, support HPD, and show we care about safety in our neighborhood!

Generally, Board Members set the direction of the Civic Club and ensure the governance of day-to-day affairs. Officers initiate ideas and projects and then execute the decisions made by the Board.

Any member in good standing is eligible to run for office. Of course, volunteers in support of these positions and/or committees are also needed and are crucial to the success of neighborhood! The specific duties of these positions are detailed in the Summary of Officer and Director Duties and Responsibilities posted on the Binglewood website.

DECEMBER 2021

CALENDAR

Community Meeting:

Saturday, December 11, 2021

Time: 9:30 a.m.

Location: St. Jerome Catholic Church, Activity Center, Room D
Holiday Celebration and Officer and Board Member Elections

CIVIC CLUB DUES

Section 6- \$50 per year (mandatory).

Sections 1-5- \$50 per year (voluntary).

Donations always welcome!

- **Pay online at:**

<https://www.binglewood.com/payment/>

- **Send check by mail to:**

Binglewood Civic Club, Inc.

PO Box 430943

Houston, TX 77243-0943

- **Pay in person at any BCC Meeting**

CONTACT INFORMATION

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[Houston, TX 77243-0943](#)

VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP

Send your email to:

contact@binglewood.com for one of the following volunteer opportunities:

- Help to establish a community garden.
- Help judge Yard of the Month.
- Deliver newsletters and flyers.
- Help to identify and invite speakers for our Civic Club meetings.
- Help organize and/or implement a neighborhood social activity.

LEADERSHIP

President, Joanne Cortez

Vice President, Ann Cowper

Secretary, Jan Southern

Treasurer, Karin Sabatini

Sergeant-at-Arms, Jonathan Vanegas

Nick Scott, Board Pos. 1

Laura Gianakos, Board Pos. 2

Noel Lezama, Board Pos. 3

COVID-19 VACCINATION

Anyone 5 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. <https://tdeem.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=3700a84845e5470cb0dc3ddace5c376b>

TRASH COLLECTION SCHEDULE

Trash & Lawn Clippings - Every Friday

Note: Please use *City of Houston approved recyclable bags only!*

Recycle (Green Can)

Friday, December 3rd, 17th, & 31st

Friday, January 14th & 28th

Note: Do not put plastic store bags or plastic trash bags in the recycle bins.

Tree Waste (Odd Months)

Thursday, January 27th

Junk Waste (Even Months)

Thursday, December 23rd

Please place Junk/Tree Waste adjacent to the front curb in an easily accessible location between 6:00 pm the Friday before and 7:00 am on the scheduled collection day.

NOTE: The City of Houston Waste Management Dept. remains behind in heavy trash pick-up. Please contact 3-1-1 if delayed more than a week.

Upcoming Event: Join Houston's Park Board for a 5 Mile Social Bike Ride

SPRING BRANCH BIKE RIDE

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2021

9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

LOCATION: 2323 WIRT ROAD

Come check out this new trail, wear your holiday attire, enjoy holiday snacks and hear more about the next stage of this project. The ride will begin at the Wirt Road entrance. Cycle 2.5 miles and turn around at Blalock.



HOLIDAY DÉCOR RECOGNITION

Looking forward to awarding our Best Holiday Decorations the weekend of December 18th. You could be the winner!



TREASURER'S REPORT

This is the final Treasurer's report of dues collected for the year. Most dues for Binglewood are voluntary except Section 6. Dues are only \$50 annually and they are used to improve, beautify and maintain our community for all who live here. Out of 714 homes in our neighborhood we collected just 25.5% --or just 182 homeowners contributed. Thank you to all who have paid! Our goal is to improve on that percentage in 2022. Dues cover many different things, such as sidewalk and ditch maintenance on both Clay Road and Hollister, website and email management, legal fees, insurance, cement street sign maintenance, doggy waste bags at the park and more. During this Holiday season, a generous contribution would go a long way to help keep Binglewood Beautiful! An easy way to pay is via PayPal at: <https://www.binglewood.com/payment/>

POWER OUTAGE ISSUE UPDATE – EQUIPMENT UPGRADES

CenterPoint Energy is in the process of replacing the aging poles, lines and equipment in Sections 3 and 4 along Mona Lee, Opelika, Autauga, Railton, Pitner and Springview. The Binglewood Civic Club is in contact with the CenterPoint focal person about the lack of notification of power outages. You will receive updates via email regarding this matter. Note, the project will require residents to allow CenterPoint contractors access to their backyards, and traffic in the area may be disrupted at times. Residents are urged to continue to report power outages at your address, including surges, to CenterPoint by phone to 713-207-2222 or 800-332-7143 or at [Report Power Outages](#). We also request you *send an email to* jonathan.wilson@centerpointenergy.com and contact@binglewood.com with a description of the location and circumstances of the outage. Please also report tree limbs that may be affecting power line integrity.

SPOTLIGHT ON OUR VOLUNTEERS



Many Thanks to our new neighbor Patrick, a certified Yoga Instructor who held a free session for our Binglewood Community in James Lee Park. We thank you for your time and expertise. It was a beautiful, crisp morning and enjoyed by all. We are always looking for activities to share with our community.

Many Thanks to our Block Captains who distribute hard copies of the monthly newsletter. The delivery of these newsletters ensures all of our community is informed as not all residents receive the newsletter electronically.

PUBLIC SAFETY TOWN HALL AND BBQ HOSTED BY DISTRICT A IN AGNES MOFFITT PARK



Thank you to Council Member Peck for hosting a great Public Safety Town Hall. Speakers included HPD Chief Finner, HFD Chief Pena, HPD Commander Nguyen and many others. Thank you to the Binglewood residents who attended. Your presence really made a difference for Binglewood!

KEEPING YOU INFORMED

Binglewords is one of the best ways to keep up to date as to what is happening in the neighborhood. Please provide your preferred means of communication by sending your email address to contact@binglewood.com or mail this form to: *PO Box 430943, Houston, TX 77243-0943.*

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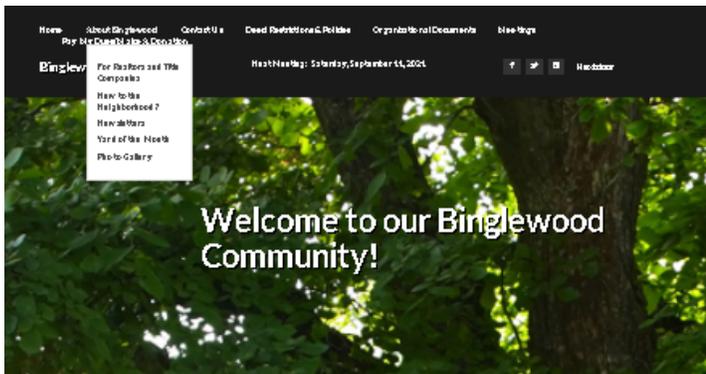
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Check out the NEW www.binglewood.com!



Welcome to Binglewood!

We've come both neighbors and visitors to the official Binglewood Civic Club's website. Learn about our community and get involved or even consider moving in.

Located deep in the heart of Houston, Texas, Binglewood is a community of over 700 single-story 3- and 4-bedroom brick homes built from the 1970s to the 1990s. Binglewood offers large lots, mature landscaped trees and lovely landscaped grounds. A neighborhood park is located in the middle of the subdivision with a playground, walking trail and pet waste stations.

Binglewood is a deed-restricted community. The Binglewood Civic Club is a very active property owners association and holds monthly meetings for neighbors. The annual dues of \$50.00 are voluntary for a 60-day term, though, and mandatory for a 60-day term. Binglewood homeowners take exceptional pride in their homes and community. Because of the hard work of our neighbors, the Binglewood Civic Club was presented with a Blue Ribbon Award from the City of Houston for accomplishing a service in landscaping, developing a Clubhouse on Patrol program, organizing a recycling project and generally maintaining the neighborhood.

Join us so we make Binglewood the best place to live in Houston!



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Got Meetings??

I Can Help!

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Binglewood Civic Club

Monthly Member Meetings are now Indoors!

Join us at St. Jerome's Catholic Church in The Activity Center - Room D

2nd Saturday of each Month @ 9:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.
(except July and August)

Next Meeting: Saturday, December 11th

Always Informative, Always Important.

Share Your Voice!

See you there!