



### Next BCC Community Meeting- Plans for 2024!

Saturday, February 24, 2024 at  
10:00 a.m. at St. Jerome's,  
New Activity Center, Room A

**BINGLEWORDS February 2024**

### Next BCC Events:

*BCC Social Committee Survey-Tell us  
what you want to do in 2024!  
Keep Houston Beautiful Clean-Up  
Day, Saturday, April 6th*

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



### It's a new day in Binglewood!

We are always working to make Binglewood the best place to live and are considering some major improvements and beautification projects in 2024. We have sent out a survey to ask you what social events you want the Civic Club to sponsor this year. We are working to improve compliance. We are also trying out having three meetings on Saturday mornings and two on Wednesday evenings to see if more of you are able

to attend. Also below is an end-of-the-year scorecard of all things accomplished in 2023 and things we may want to work on in 2024. Take a few minutes to read and let us know what you think!

## SAFETY

**Watch out for Binglewood pets and people!** Since we do not have sidewalks throughout Binglewood and it gets dark when returning from work (until Daylight Saving Time in March), please be aware that drivers can't always see you! Wear safety vests or safety tape or carry a light so you can be seen. Also, look around you and don't take it for granted that all drivers are focused and can see you. At some point in the day, everyone is a pedestrian. Unfortunately, pedestrian injuries and fatalities remain high. In 2021, 7,388 pedestrians were killed – a 13% increase from 2020 – and more than 60,000 pedestrians were injured nationwide. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) raises awareness of the dangers to pedestrians and provides some great tips to keep pedestrians safe.



### 8 Walking Safety Tips (from the NHTSA)

- Follow the rules of the road and obey signs and signals.
- Walk on sidewalks whenever they are available.
- If there is no sidewalk, walk facing traffic and as far from traffic as possible.
- Cross streets at crosswalks or intersections. Look for cars in all directions, including those turning left or right.
- If a crosswalk or intersection is not available, locate a well-lit area where you have the best view of traffic. Wait for a gap in traffic that allows enough time to cross safely; continue watching for traffic as you cross.
- Watch for cars entering or exiting driveways, or backing up in parking lots.
- Avoid alcohol and drugs when walking; they impair your abilities and your judgment.
- Embrace walking as a healthy form of transportation – get up, get out and get moving!

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### Meetings for 2024

**Weds, April 24 @ 6:30 p.m.**

**Sat., July 27 at 10:00 a.m.**

**Weds., Sept. 25 at 6:30 p.m.**

**Sat., Nov. 16 at 10:00 a.m.-Elections**

## YOUR BCC OFFICERS & DIRECTORS

President, Ann Cowper  
Vice President, Nick Scott  
Board Liaison Officer, Bridgett Macias  
Secretary, Kim Johnston  
Treasurer, Aaron Serriano  
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Jonathan Vanegas, Board Pos. 2  
Sue Kinnaird, Board Pos. 3

## SOCIAL MEDIA AND CONTACT INFORMATION

Email: [contact@binglewood.com](mailto:contact@binglewood.com)

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

Instagram: *Binglewood Community*

Twitter: *@BinglewoodComm*

Facebook: *Binglewood\_Community*

NextDoor: *Binglewood Group*

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*Houston, TX 77243-0943*

### NOW AVAILABLE!

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**Limited quantities available!**

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[contact@binglewood.com](mailto:contact@binglewood.com)



## 8 Safety Tips for Drivers

- Look out for pedestrians everywhere, at all times.
- Use extra caution when driving in hard-to-see conditions, such as nighttime or bad weather.
- Slow down and be prepared to stop when turning or otherwise entering a crosswalk.
- Yield to pedestrians in crosswalks and stop well back from the crosswalk to give other vehicles an opportunity to see the crossing pedestrians so they can stop too.
- Never pass vehicles stopped at a crosswalk. There may be people crossing where you can't see.
- Never drive under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs.
- Follow the speed limit (which is 30 in residential areas!), especially around people on the street, in school zones and in neighborhoods where children are present.
- Be extra cautious when backing up and look for pedestrians.



## NEW PARK SIGNS AT JAMES LEE PARK-COMPLETE!

Our new park signs provided by District A Councilmember Amy Peck are complete! We plan to landscape around each sign and then hold a grand opening and “Thank you” to Councilmember Peck sometime in the Spring. If you want to help with the landscaping—planting or maintaining—let us know at [contact@binglewood.com](mailto:contact@binglewood.com)



## Holiday Decorations Winner! Congrats to 3511 Mona Lee Lane! Holiday Decorations Winner for 2023!



## HAVE A NEW NEIGHBOR?

Let us know and we will drop off a new neighbor packet and invite them to join our email list. Better yet, bring them with you to the next BCC meeting.

## TRASH COLLECTION

*Trash & Lawn Clippings - Fridays*  
*Recycle Schedule (Green Can)*

February 9<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>

*Tree Waste (Odd Months)*

*Junk Waste (Even Months)*

4<sup>th</sup> Thursday for both

**Tree Waste Schedule**

**Thursday, March 28<sup>th</sup>**

**Thursday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>**

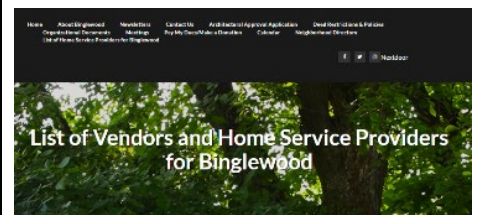
**Junk Waste Schedule**

**Thursday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**Thursday, April 25<sup>th</sup>**

## LIST OF HOME SERVICES PROVIDERS AVAILABLE ON OUR BINGLEWOOD WEBSITE!

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DISCLAIMER: Please note: This information is provided as a service to Binglewood residents. No representations or warranties are implied by Binglewood Civic Club, Inc., its officers, directors or agents. These service providers are included following a positive experience with other Binglewood residents. The list is periodically updated to add or remove providers.

If you have a service provider recommendation, please email [contact@binglewood.com](mailto:contact@binglewood.com) so we can add it to the list. Please include: Company Name, Contact Information and Type of Service provided. Any positive comments based on your experience would also be appreciated but will not be used unless requested.

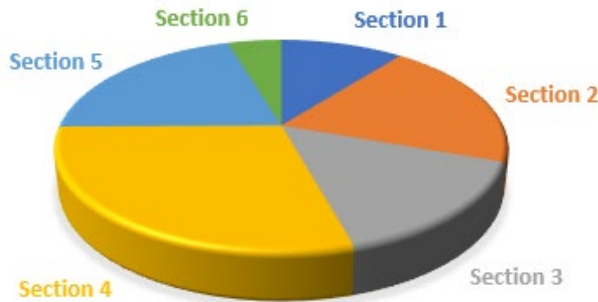


## DUES ARE DUE!

Since the Civic Club relies on your voluntary donations and dues payments to make Binglewood a better place to live and respond to your compliance requests, please consider sending in a check for \$50 for your 2024 dues or go to PayPal.

*Thanks to all who have paid or donated!  
Dues Collection through December 31, 2023  
(by percentage of Section paid vs. total homes in Section)*

### BINGLEWOOD-DUES PAID BY SECTION (AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2023)



## SCORECARD FOR 2023

Here is what your Civic Club accomplished in 2023. We are rolling out a dues drive this month and wanted to give you an idea of where your money goes.

- Requested and received copy of major study of drainage plans for our neighborhood and held a community-wide meeting with City and County representatives regarding their plans.
- Maintained a 24/7 and daily in-person constable patrol through August 2023 but had to cancel due to lack of voluntary funding by residents.
- Posted a List of Home Services Providers on website (especially for new homeowners).
- Street lights installed throughout Binglewood by the City of Houston at no cost to Binglewood.
- Social events such as Family Picnic Sundays to bring neighborhood together.
- Instituted common sense compliance program to enforce deed restrictions and policies.
- New stone park signs installed in James W. Lee Park at no cost to Binglewood (see pictures below).

## PLANS FOR 2024

Here is what we are planning to work on (so far) for 2024. Please attend our next meeting and give us your ideas so we can be sure we are focusing on the things you care about!

- **Yard Parking**-We have proposed that the yard parking ordinance be revised to make it clear that yard parking is not allowed and that placing dirt or ground gravel, etc. does not constitute a “driveway.”
- **BCC Website**-Add a calendar that you can use to add events to your smart phone, iPad or computer.
- **Rail Crossing Clean up**-We have petitioned Union Pacific to clean up the drainage ditches and fix the drainage pipes throughout their easement along Hempstead Road.
- **Drainage Project Engineering Plans**-We have met with Harris County and federal officials in one-on-one meetings re detention ponds that could be



Your [City of Houston 311](#) is proud to announce its new and improved Houston 311 mobile app, powered by SeeClickFix, to report non-emergency issues.

The Houston 311 mobile app features dynamic upgrades and an easy-to-use interface with features like:

- Create service requests on the go.
- Submit cases with pictures and details.
- Cases are routed to a team, instead of an individual.
- Set up your own “watch areas”.
- Receive notifications about your reported issues as well as issues in your community.

The new Houston 311 mobile app is available for download on Android and iPhone.



If you have a Barcode scanner installed on your Smartphone, scan the barcode below:



If you send in a 311 Ticket, we want to help you so please let us know at [contact@binglewood.com](mailto:contact@binglewood.com) so we can talk to our contacts at City Hall about any issues in Binglewood.

added upstream and downstream of Binglewood and to formalize engineering plans so that all of Binglewood can review and provide input.

- **Kempwood at Hollister Median**-We have asked to adopt the median so we can landscape it and have a mural painted on the traffic control box so the median leading into our neighborhood from Kempwood is a positive reflection on Binglewood.
- **Binglewood Signs**-Update landscaping around all 4 Binglewood signs and re-paint and seal.
- **James W. Lee Park signs**-Landscape and hold a grand opening and thank you to District A.
- **Tree Canopy**-Establish a tree canopy along either side of the entrance on Sonneville with donated trees.

### HOUSTON POLICE DEPARTMENT-POSITIVE INTERACTION PROGRAM-NEXT MEETING (from HPD)

Now that all the cold weather is behind us and fantastic weather is in front of us--ALL are INVITED to this ACTIVE SHOOTER training! And now that the holidays are behind us, let's focus once again on protecting ourselves and our families from those threats. Within the past week we witnessed a horrific act of an active shooter in one of our local churches. What would you do if you were in a place where someone entered the location and began shooting?? Run? Hide? Let's meet and discuss! If you have a business that needs your employees trained....you are invited. If you ever leave your home to shop, dine or seek entertainment.....you are invited!

Where: Faith Center Chapel, 8009 Long Point  
When: Feb 20, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

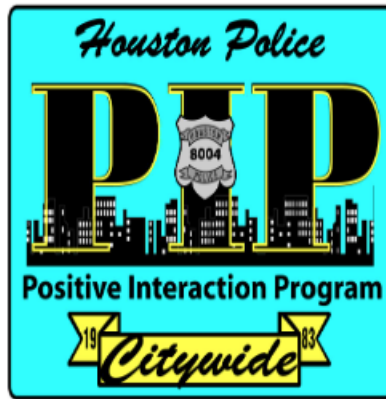
### UPCOMING PIP MEETING TOPICS

**March**-Kia/Hyundai Owners Especially--How to combat the auto theft viral sensation about stealing these vehicles with simple tools! All are invited to take this vital info back home or to your businesses! Free steering wheel "CLUB" to those owners affected!

**April**-Catastrophic Planning--Everything from hurricanes to tornadoes!

**May**-Harris County Commissioner Lesley Briones.

Northwest Commander Leon will also address the group about crime, crime stats, and crime initiatives in the area. **SEE YOU THERE!**



### CIVIC CLUB DUES

Only \$50 per year.  
Additional donations accepted!



Pay online at:

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

Fill out attached form and mail check to BCC PO Box at:  
Binglewood Civic Club  
PO Box 430943  
Houston, TX 77243-0943

We also take PayPal and credit cards!  
Pay your dues today!

Dues are used for administrative and overhead costs (i.e., liability and D&O insurance, printing and mailing notices and newsletters to the neighborhood, beautification projects in Binglewood, costs associated with deed restriction enforcement and with arranging social events and activities). Proceeds from dues and donations go right back into the community making our neighborhood a better place to live. We can do more as a Civic Club if we have more funds to work with! Be sure to attend our meetings so you can let us know what projects you want to see in Binglewood!

Use your Smart Phone to scan this bar code to pay via PayPal.



# Next Election

March 5, 2024 Primary Elections

Early Voting: February 20 - March 1

Deadline to apply for a ballot by mail: February 23

Nearest Location to Binglewood: Trini Mendenhall Community Center – Room 106  
1414 Wirt Road, Houston, TX 77055



## Celebrate 120 Years in 2024 with the Houston Public Library (from the City of Houston)

Since its dedication and public opening on March 2, 1904, the Houston Public Library (HPL) has been committed to growing its resources, services and program offerings to meet the needs of Houstonians. This spring, HPL celebrates 120 years through a series of events, parties and gifts.

You're invited to the [Kick-off Birthday Bash](#) on Saturday, March 2 from 10:30 AM – 2 PM at the Central Library downtown. The Kick-off Birthday Bash features family-friendly entertainment such as story times, crafts, games, face painting, a live DJ, and special performances by the Waltrip High School Marching band and the School of Indian Classical Dance & Music. Partygoers will have a chance to meet H-E-Buddy and savor IHOP treats. Limited-edition merchandise and other promotional items are available while supplies last.

To further commemorate this anniversary, HPL is introducing a limited-edition library card which will be available *at any HPL location* (including the Hillendahl Branch on Gessner and the Ring Branch on Long Point near Binglewood) beginning March 2 in two design options featuring exclusive artwork. These special cards are available for new customers as well as any existing cardholders who would love a collector's item to mark this historic milestone.



The celebrations will continue for 120 days and include [Birthday Mini Parties](#) at every HPL location on Thursday March 14, starting at 2 PM. Two Birthday Parties are planned for [April 6 at Oak Forest Neighborhood Library](#) and [April 20 at McGovern-Stella Link Neighborhood Library](#). You won't want to miss these celebrations!

For more information about HPL, visit [www.houstonlibrary.org](http://www.houstonlibrary.org), call 832-393-1313, follow us on Twitter or Facebook [@houstonlibrary](#) or on Instagram [@houstonpubliclibrary](#).



One of the unique features of Binglewood is our cement street columns located throughout the neighborhood. We finished a refurbishment last year. If you live at the end of a block or cul-de-sac and would like to add one to your yard, please let us know at [contact@binglewood.com](mailto:contact@binglewood.com) and we will put you in touch with the designer.



Please place bins at the end of your driveway or yard and not on any sidewalk or curb.

Please leave at least 3 feet between your trash and recycling bins and any other objects so the trucks have enough room to pick up and empty your bin.

**FEBRUARY 2024**

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
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18	19 	20 Early Voting for Primary BEGINS	21	22 Junk Waste Collection	23  	24 BCC Meeting 10:00 am St. Jerome's, Room A
25	26	27 Rodeo Begins 	28	29 	 =Trash  =Recycling	

**MARCH 2024**

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
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**APRIL 2024**

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
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**MAY 2024**

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**Binglewood Civic Club**

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P.O. Box 430943  
Houston, Texas 77243-0943

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

Your Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

[ ] Yes, I want to pay my Binglewood Civic Club Dues! [\$50 per year]

[ ] Yes, I want to order \_\_\_\_ [number] Binglewood Civic Club T-shirt(s)! [\$20 each] Size \_\_\_\_\_ [S, M, L, XL]  
Size \_\_\_\_\_

**I WILL SEND A CHECK:**

- Enclosed is my check payable to Binglewood Civic Club, Inc. in the amount of \$50 for BCC Dues.
- Enclosed is my check payable to Binglewood Civic Club, Inc. in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ for BCC T-shirts.

\$\_\_\_\_\_ Additional Donation has been added to my check toward The Binglewood Civic Club.

Thank you!

**I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A PAYMENT USING MY CREDIT CARD.**

I prefer to make my contribution/payment of \$\_\_\_\_\_ by credit card.



Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_\_ CVV: \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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Submit your child's artwork and we will publish it in our next *Binglewords* and on [www.binglewood.com](http://www.binglewood.com)!

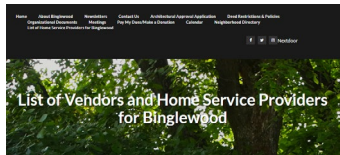
You can submit drawings of any and all upcoming holiday themes or nature and trees and animals.

All submissions are welcome!

Email your child's artwork to [contact@binglewood.com](mailto:contact@binglewood.com)

Go here to view and download list:  
<https://www.binglewood.com/list-of-vendors-and-home-service-providers-for-binglewood/>

Please let us know how this works for you and if we should continue to update the list!



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Got Meetings??

I Can Help!

Nancy Trevino

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