

Next BCA Community Meeting

Saturday, July 27, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. at St. Jerome's, New Activity Center, Room A

BINGLEWORDS June 2024

Next BCA Events:

Just for Seniors on Tuesday, June 18th from 10:00-11:00 am Independence Day Parade on Thursday, July 4th, 10:00-11:00 am

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE After the Storm - We are Binglewood Strong!

Everyone in Binglewood knows where they were on Thursday, May 16th at 6:20 p.m. We have been through a terrible and destructive storm that affected all of us in Binglewood. Whether you lost trees or suffered roof damage or damage to your vehicle or a downed fence or lost your power and internet for days on end, we were in this together. According to our councilmember's office, we experienced the third worst damage in all of District A! How did Binglewood respond? How did we handle the aftermath of the storm? T-O-G-E-T-H-E-R. Neighbors helping neighbors. We can't even tell you the sheer number of people that reached out to help their neighbors without being asked. We are Binglewood Strong!

















Meetings for 2024

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 BCA OFFICERS & DIRECTORS

President, Ann Cowper
Vice President, Nick Scott
Board Liaison Officer, Bridgett Macias
Secretary, Kim Johnston
Treasurer, Aaron Serraino
Mike Bartniski, Board Pos. 1
Jonathan Vanegas, Board Pos. 2
Sue Kinnaird, Board Pos. 3

SOCIAL MEDIA AND CONTACT INFORMATION

Email: contact@binglewood.com
Website: www.binglewood.com
Instagram: Binglewood Community
Twitter: @BinglewoodComm
Facebook: Binglewood_Community
NextDoor: Binglewood Group
USPS Mail: PO Box 430943
Houston, TX 77243-0943

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 BCA meeting.

UPCOMING ELECTIONS!

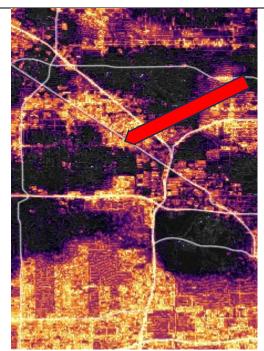
June Runoff Elections!

Vote for:

- 1. Harris County Appraisal District Directors, Places 2 and 3 only
- Remainder of term of Mayor
 Whitmire's State Senate Seat-Dist.

Farly Voting is June 3-11 7 a.m. – 7 p.m. Mon. through Sat. 12 noon – 7 p.m. on Sunday

Special Election is Saturday, June 15th

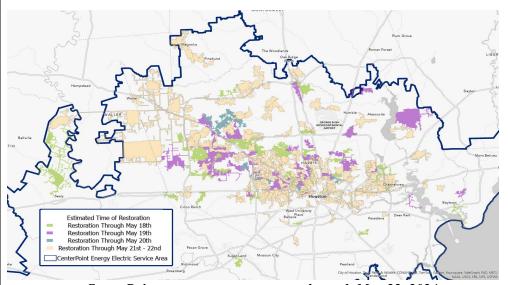


This map from NASA shows the extent of the power outages post-derecho. Binglewood is just below the arrow. Most of us were without power and internet for at least 4 days and some were 7 days and some longer.

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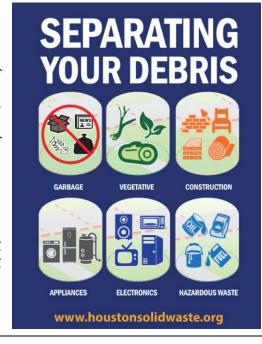
We have been in contact with Center-Point regarding the latent outages affecting Section 3 even after equipment replacement last year. If you are continuing to experience long-term and frequent outages, please let CenterPoint know at 713-207-2222 and please email us at contact@binglewood.com so we can collect the reports and let our area CenterPoint rep know where the problems are still occurring.



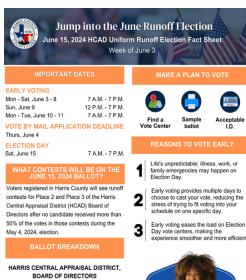
CenterPoint outage map post-storm through May 22, 2024

NOTICE RE STORM WASTE PICK-UP

As you know, Binglewood experienced massive storm damage in the last two weeks and we have been working on your behalf to get the attention of CenterPoint and the City of Houston to provide the services we need in our neighborhood. We are all waiting for the City to pick up the massive amounts of tree waste and other debris from the recent storms. While we have not been told an exact day and time for pick-up, we have been assured that it will be within 2-3 weeks after the storm. You can do your part to help the City and your neighbors by properly separating your storm debris. Please don't pile fencing on top of tree debris. The City is taking the tree debris to a site storage at the silos at Westview and Lumpkin near the







HCAD Directors' role includes setting the district's budget, appointing members to the appraisal review board, hiring the chief appraiser, and communicating with external



From the Harris County Clerk's Office:

A runoff election is being held for two of the three Harris Central Appraisal District (HCAD) Board of Directors contests because no candidate received over 50 percent of the vote in the May 4 Uniform Election ballot," said Clerk Hudspeth, the county's chief election official. "As a result, the June 15 Uniform Runoff Election features the top two candidates for HCAD Board of Directors, Place 2 and Place 3.

HCAD is the largest appraisal district in Texas and one of the largest appraisal districts in the United States. Although the HCAD Board of Directors does not directly assess property values, the newly elected members will have significant administrative responsibilities. duties include hiring the chief appraiser, appointing members to the appraisal review board, setting the district's budget, communicating with stakeholders. The winning candidates will assume office on July 1, 2024, and serve until December 31, 2026.

Tollway and will be mulching it so debris containing nails, electronics, appliances, carpeting, etc. cannot be picked up. All of the tree waste will be recycled, shredded and chipped and then transferred into various recycled products including mulch and compost. The site will be used for roughly 90 days as storm debris continues.

The City also cannot pick up storm waste if cars and trucks or other vehicles are parked on the street or otherwise interfering with the City's trucks and trailers. Please park your vehicles in your garages or driveways. If you have to park on the street, please try to park as far away as you can from the tree waste near your home and your neighbors' homes.

RECOVERY TOWN HALLS HOSTED BY DISTRICT A

District A held two Disaster Recovery Town Halls for those who were impacted by the recent storms providing helpful information about resources for recovery. You can view the first one here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=saG72PTt-GA

Representatives in attendance included: FEMA, Office of Emergency Management, Small Business Administration (Francisco Sánchez, Associate Administrator for SBA), CenterPoint, and the City's Solid Waste Department.

Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Resources

Harris County residents can now apply for individual assistance from FEMA. You can do so in one of three ways:

- · Visit DisasterAssistance.gov or download the FEMA smartphone application at www.fema.gov
- Call 1-800-621-3362 (TTY: 800-462-7585) or 1-800-621-3362 for Video Relay Service; or
- Visit a Disaster Recovery Center in person. There are two locations for the time being that are open daily from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.
 - Fondé Community Center at 110 Sabine St.; and
 - Spring Branch Family Development Center at 8575 Pitner Road.

FEMA's Individuals and Households Programs (IHP) provide financial and direct services for uninsured or under-insured essential expenses, including:

- Temporary housing (rental assistance or hotel costs)
- · Home repair or replacement
- · Hazard mitigation assistance
- · Other disaster-related expenses

FEMA's Disaster Legal Services (DLS) offers free legal aid for insurance claims, lost documents, home repairs, disputes, and FEMA appeals.

FEMA and the Small Business Administration (SBA) offer streamlined applications for assistance, including low-interest disaster loans for homeowners and renters. More details are available at www.fema.gov

YOUR POST-STORM QUESTIONS¹

We received many questions about what to do in the post-derecho aftermath as to fences and trees and carports. The first thing to do is talk to your neighbors! Open communication can solve the majority of issues.

What if my tree falls into my neighbor's yard?

You could always offer to pay to remove it instead of your neighbor filing an insurance claim but the tree in your neighbor's yard is now on the neighbor's property so it is up to them to file a claim if necessary.

What if my tree falls on my neighbor's vehicle?

This becomes an insurance claim on the neighbor's auto policy.



Coffee with the Cops

Ray Leon, Commander Northwest Division / Patrol Region 3



Starbucks

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WHEN? Friday, June 7 | 12:30-2 pm

WHERE? BRENDA AND JOHN DUNCAN YMCA

Grocery products such as:

- Fresh bagged salads
- Fruit and vegetables
- Individual meals
- Meat
- Baked goods and much more

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What if my carport is destroyed and lands on my neighbor's property?

This is also an insurance claim of your neighbor. Note that carports are no longer allowed in Binglewood so if destroyed, it can't be replaced.

What if a fence I share with my neighbor is damaged or destroyed?

Who put up the fence—was it you or your neighbor? Splitting the cost of a shared fence is ideal. If you can't agree, then one or both neighbors may file a claim and obtain repair estimates and then insurance may or may not pay all or a portion of the cost depending on your deductible.

What if my neighbor has a dead or dying tree on their property that may fall on my house or driveway but refuses to cut it down? If you can't resolve the issue by talking to your neighbor, then write a letter noting the facts and any conversations you have had and send it via certified mail or have the neighbor sign at the bottom of the letter acknowledging receipt. Also, copy your homeowners insurance company on the letter and make sure they get a copy just in case something does happen.

¹NOTE: As always, this is not meant to be legal or insurance advice and you should always consult a legal or insurance professional before taking any action!



WHAT IF STORMY WEATHER BRINGS HOME REPAIRS? by Leah Napoliello from the Better Business Bureau BBB) from Houston Chronicle dated June 16, 2024

Thunderstorms are common in this area, and hurricane season brings other storm dangers, so it is important to prepare in advance for any potential issues by reviewing your insurance policies and determining the steps to take filing a claim.

Contact your insurance company immediately! You might be eligible for loss-of-use benefits, which means you could be reimbursed for hotel

costs, food and other living expenses while your house is unlivable. Be sure to document all conversations with your insurance company or their adjuster and get any promises for reimbursements in writing. Be sure to retain all receipts.

Beware of contractors who claim to be insurance claim specialists. Be sure you have thoroughly checked out your contractors before you permit them to deal directly with your insurance company and seek approval of repairs for you. Check out businesses at www.BBBHouston,org.

Document the damage to your property and possessions. Take pictures or videos if possible. Go from room to room and make a detailed account of your belongings, if it is safe to do so. Keep all your receipts for future reimbursement.

Make emergency repairs to limit further damage. You may be liable for damage that occurs after a storm has passed, so make temporary repairs, such as boarding up broken windows or throwing a tarp over a leaky roof.

Do not make permanent repairs until approved. Your insurer might not fully reimburse you for repairs made without their authorization.

Do not give an insurance check to a contractor for repairs prior to work being started. Never give more than one-third of the job price up front and make sure your insurance company has approved repairs before payment is given.



HOUSTON POLICE DEPARTMENT-POSITIVE INTERACTION PROGRAM-MEETINGS (from HPD)

Where: Faith Center Chapel, 8009 Long Point

When: 7:00 p.m.

UPCOMING PIP MEETINGS

June 18th-Environmental Investigations! July 16th-Catastrophic Planning! September 17th- Harris County Commissioner Lesley Briones

Northwest Commander Leon also addresses the group at the beginning of every meeting with slides and data about crime, crime stats, and crime initiatives in the area.



YARD OF THE MONTH-Postponed until September due to storm recovery.

How can I help my neighbors after the storm?

Provide any good tree service, fence repair service, roof repair, etc. to contact@binglewood.com so we can add to our List of Home Services Providers to help your neighbors find good help.

Go here to view and download list: https://www.binglewood.com/list-ofvendors-and-home-service-providers-forbinglewood/

UPCOMING EVENTS! See you there!

Backyard Garden Party & Tour-CANCELLED DUE TO STORM-We will attempt to hold another one this fall or next spring.

Food Truck Sunday on Sunday, June 2nd - CANCELLED DUE TO STORM-We will attempt to hold another one this fall or next spring.

"Just for Seniors" Event - Tuesday, June 18th from 10:00-11:30 am Join your fellow seniors at a neighborhood hangout for coffee and hot topics! We will meet at MytiBurger on Kempwood in June. To ensure appropriate space is arranged, please RSVP to boardmember3@binglewood.com.



Freedom Pops and Water Will Help Keep Us Cool!

BCA Independence Day Parade - Thursday, July 4th 10:00-11:00 am

Kick off your holiday celebrations by participating in a neighborhood parade in the park honoring our nation's birthday! Decorate your bikes, wagons, strollers, and pets. First, second and third place ribbons and Amazon gift cards will be awarded to the winners in each category!







ATTENTION BINGLEWOOD GARDENERS, ARTISTS AND CRAFTERS!

The BCA Social Committee is considering adding to the October Garage Sale Day a market in the park event for Binglewood gardeners to sell their home-grown produce or plants and resident artists and crafters to sell their work. The level of interest will inform our decision whether to move forward with planning and implementing this idea. Please send an email to boardmember3@binglewood.com if you would be interested in participating in this event.

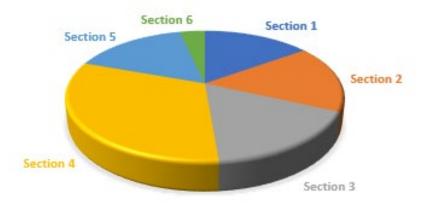




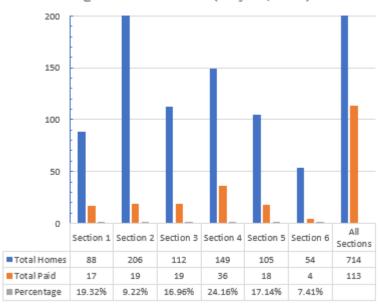
DUES ARE DUE! NOTE THE NAME CHANGE FOR THE CIVIC CLUB!

Our name change approved by the members is now official. The legal name is now "Binglewood Civic Association, Inc." We still have a d/b/a (assumed) name of "Binglewood Civic Club" so all payments always go to the same account. Since the Civic Association relies on your voluntary donations and dues payments to make Binglewood a better place to live and respond to your requests, please consider sending in a check for \$50 or more for your 2024 dues or go to PayPal **TODAY!**

BINGLEWOOD-DUES PAID BY SECTION (AS OF MAY 31, 2024)



Binglewood-Dues Paid (May 31, 2024)



Thanks to all who have paid or donated!

Bar Graph Shows Dues Collection through May 31, 2024

(after our latest dues drive)
(by percentage of Section paid vs. total homes in Section)

■ Total Homes ■ Total Paid ■ Percentage

Only \$50 per year.
Additional donations accepted!



Pay online at:

https://www.binglewood.com/paymen
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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!

All Binglewood residents benefit from BCA activities including:

- Educating and informing our residents via:
 - Binglewords newsletters.
 - BCA community meetings.
 - Notices and reminders of events.
 - Our website and social media.
- Beautification and maintenance projects that increase property values.
- Landscape maintenance along Hollister, Clay Road, & Section 6 mailbox area.
- Signage maintenance and landscaping.
- Pet waste stations at the park.
- Advocating on behalf of Binglewood with government agencies for projects that affect and benefit the neighborhood.
- Family-friendly and seniors-only social activities.
- Volunteer opportunities!
 Use your Smart Phone to scan this bar code to pay via PayPal.



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AUGUST 2024								
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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.



Binglewood Civic Association, Inc. P.O. Box 430943 Houston, Texas 77243-0943

Your Name:
Your Home Address:
[] Yes, I want to pay my Binglewood Civic Association Dues! [\$50 per year]
I WILL SEND A CHECK:
☐ Enclosed is my check payable to Binglewood Civic Association, Inc. in the amount of \$50 for BCA Dues.
\$ Additional Donation has been added to my check toward The Binglewood Civic Association.
Thank you!
I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A PAYMENT USING MY CREDIT CARD.
☐ I prefer to make my contribution/payment of \$ by credit card [\$ for Dues and \$ as a Donation].
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Name on Card:
Signature:
Phone Number (for card purposes only):
Email (FOR RECEIPT):
THANK YOU FOR YOUR PAYMENT!
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Submit your child's artwork and we will publish it in our next *Binglewords* and on 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



Find out what's going on at *Binglewood.com*!

Advertise in *Binglewords* today! Circulation: 721 Homes-Advertise Today!

1/s page ad (Business Card) Cost: \$10/mo.

> ¼ page ad Cost: \$15/mo.

½ Page Ad Cost: \$20/mo.

Full Page Ad Cost: \$25/mo.

Got Meetings?? I Can Help!

Nancy Trevino

Manager, Global Accounts

ntrevino@helmsbriscoe.com

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