



THORNTON PARK NEWS



Neighborhood Newsletter

THE THORNTON PARK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION



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www.ThorntonPark.org
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Other Links

Local Businesses:
ThorntonParkDistrict.com
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Local News:

Bungalower.com/category/neighborhoods/thornton-park/
 City Historic Preservation:
www.cityoforlando.net/planning/cityplanning/hp_lawsona.htm

Neighborhood Watch

Info or Volunteer
 Call Dee Bendowski

EVENTS

- Thornton Park Neighborhood Association Meeting
 Monday, August 8, 2016, 7-8pm,
 Langford Community Center
- Main Street Restaurant Week
 July 30 – August 13
- Florida Primary Election
 Tuesday, August 30
- 2nd Thurs Wine & Art Walk
 Thursday, Aug 11, 6:30-8:30pm
 Thursday, Sept 8, 6:30-8:30pm
 Thursday, Oct 13, 6:30-8:30pm
- National Night Out
 Tuesday, Oct 4

THORNTON PARK POSITIVE PRESS

Local residents know and love Thornton Park, but people outside our neighborhood are starting to take note. A recent article in Southwest Airlines' inflight magazine featuring Orlando highlighted the Thornton Park neighborhood.

WestJet's inflight magazine also featured Orlando and Thornton Park three times in the last two years, mentioning Soco (where they recommend the cornmeal crisped oysters dressed with pickled green tomato relish and chicharrones), the Baery, and Zou Zou Boutique.

Thornton Park was in a feature article in the *Orlando Sentinel* by Penny Dickerson on April 14, 2016. The article observes that "today, people remain the essence of Thornton Park. Long-term residents who reside in historic Florida-style bungalows blend with a legion of artisans, entrepreneurs and young couples seeking a neighborhood whose bedrock is convenience." The article goes on to say that this "community of residents who take pride in their homes is one of the reasons people love living in this downtown neighborhood".

Thornton Park was also mentioned in an episode of ABC's *Fresh off the Boat*, based on Orlandonian Eddie Huang.

Real Estate services firm Cushman & Wakefield included Thornton Park in their *Cool Streets of North America* retail report, based on what they call a "new breed of urban, experiential, and independent mid-market retailers catering to millennial consumers".



Break Away from the Bustle

How did The City Beautiful earn its nickname? We think it has something to do with its serene—and swan-filled—43-acre centerpiece: Lake Eola Park. Jog the nearly mile-long path that rings the lake, feed waterfowl, and take in a live concert at the amphitheater. Want to get even closer to the water? Rent a swan-shaped paddleboat and float toward Centennial Fountain, the city's official icon. After working up an appetite, sate your hunger at Relax Grill, a casual spot serving fish and finger foods, or explore the neighboring Thornton Park District for plenty of patio dining options.

Southwest's April inflight magazine featured Thornton Park



Orlando Sentinel: Nighttime entertainment at places like Wildside BBQ & Grille in Thornton Park, Photo: by Phelan M. Ebenhack

ORLANDO	LIVABILITY SCORES	RETAIL FLAVOR	DEMOGRAPHICS	
THORNTON PARK	Walkability 2 Bicycle Friendly 2 Public Transportation 2 Diversity 2 Access to Higher Education 1	FoodieScore 3 NightlifeScore 2 MusicScore 2 ArtsScore 2 Vintage/ThriftScore 1	Total Population (2 Mile Radius) 46,363 Average Household Income \$67,984 % College Educated (2 Mile Radius) 68.1% % 20-34 Year Old (2 Mile Radius) 30.0% % Renters (2 Mile Radius) 55.7% Residential Rents \$\$\$	Retail Rent Range \$20.00 - \$35.00



MEET YOUR PUBLIC OFFICIALS



Police Officer Eddie Rosado
Orlando Police Department Liaison Officer

Officer Eddie Rosado works with Commissioner Patty Sheehan serving the constituents of District 4 as Liaison Officer. Officer Rosado, originally from Paterson, New Jersey, moved to Orlando in 2004, following his heart to become a Police Officer, previously managing a top printing/graphics arts franchise in the Northern New Jersey Region for 17 years. According to the City's website bio, Eddie's bi-lingual and managerial skills has nurtured him with a strong, positive demeanor, and he quickly learned the importance of Officer and Citizen collaboration after the hurricanes of 2004. Eddie has spent time in East and North Patrol Squads, where he has served as Assistant Squad Leader (Acting Sergeant), and has received numerous Community Service Awards, Unit Citations, and Certificates of Appreciation. Currently, he is assigned to the Community Relations & Crime Prevention Unit. Eddie is also a Cross Trained Motorcycle Officer for the past 7 years. He also spent several years playing on the Orlando Police Softball team, after playing semi-pro baseball. Officer Eddie Rosado's family includes wife Lauren, sons Eddie & Landyn, and step daughter Kaitlyn. Traveling, the beach, golfing, running, and coaching baseball are some of his favorite hobbies. Officer Eddie Rosado has truly enjoyed serving the citizens of Orlando through hard work and an open mind. He asks us to please report all suspicious person(s), vehicles, and activities.

SUMMERLIN AND WASHINGTON CROSSWALK UPDATE

At our next Thornton Park Neighborhood meeting, Benton Bonney, the City's Transportation Systems Manager, will be sharing the City's plans to



install a traffic light at the Summerlin and Washington intersection. This is a request from Commissioner Patty Sheehan, who will also be present, along with Susan Harris, Neighborhood Relations Manager from the Orlando City Office of Communications & Neighborhood Relations.

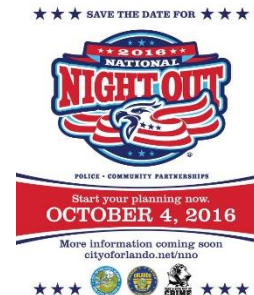
We hope you can attend, meet your neighbors, share some Anthony's pizza, and learn more about Thornton Park.



Meet your Neighborhood officers: Secretary Betty Wheeler, Pres Leo Hunt, VP Terry Driscoll, and Treasurer John Moore

UPCOMING EVENTS

There are several upcoming neighborhood events in Thornton Park:



The Main Streets Restaurant Week runs from July 30 to August 13, during which participating restaurants have prix fixe menus showcasing their talents. October 4 is National Night Out, to help increase Neighborhood Watch participation (we usually have a block party on Mills Ave), and October 20 is A Taste of Thornton Park, our primary Neighborhood Association fundraiser. This year is going to be a special year, as A Taste of Thornton Park returns to The Verandah for an exclusive evening of great food, drinks and entertainment, from 6:30-9:30pm. Tickets will be available at the Publix at the Paramount on Central or at www.ThorntonPark.org. Join us!

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