



THORNTON PARK NEWS

Neighborhood Newsletter

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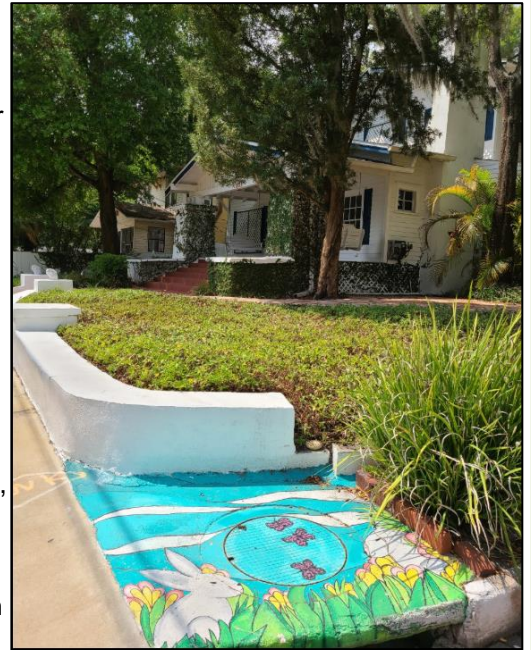
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BENDOWSKI ESTATE SALE

Dee Bendowski has lived in Thornton Park since 1991, when she and her husband Ben moved here and later purchased the home at 1115 E Central Blvd facing Lake Lawsona. Unfortunately, Miss Dee had a fall in November and has moved in with her daughter Kym in Palm Harbor.

Her caretaker, Ivan Martinez, says she is doing pretty well, but will not be able to return to her two-story house in Thornton Park.

The family has decided to keep the house and plan to turn it into an Airbnb, with Ivan continuing to live there and manage the rentals. As many of you know, Miss Dee loved working in her garden, and she could often be seen in her sunhat pulling weeds. She also loves rabbits, which are on the little retaining wall and the storm drain that was painted at the corner of Mills and Central. Miss Dee was in charge of the Neighborhood Watch for many years, and attended as many Neighborhood Association meetings as she could. And she loved collecting! An estate sale at her house is tentatively planned for June 4-6, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day. You can see the items for sale here: <https://www.estatesales.net/FL/Orlando/32801/2484957>



EVENTS

❖ Thornton Park Neighborhood Association Meeting (VIRTUAL!)

Monday, May 11, 7-8pm, join at: zoom.us/j/95391189583

❖ Neighborhood Clean-Up (w gloves!)

Sat, May 16, 10am, Island Time

❖ TPD 6th Annual Putt N' Pour

Sat, July 25, 12-4pm

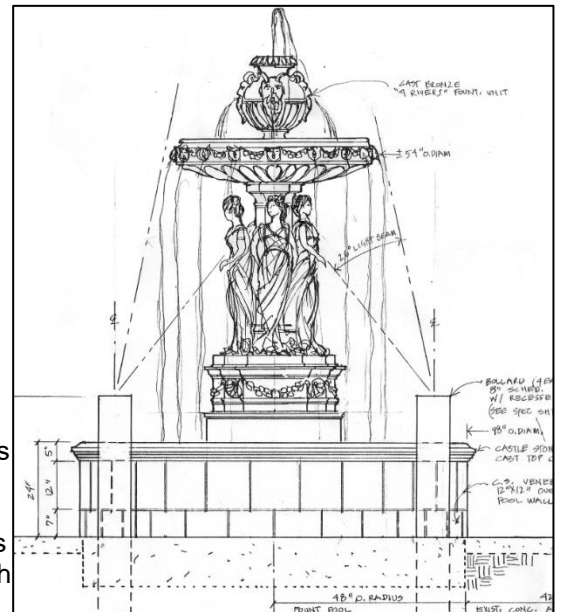
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THORNTON PARK CREATING SHIRTS

A committee led by Wayne Johnson has been looking into creating shirts for the Thornton Park Neighborhood Association. So far, the committee has determined that two types of shirts are desired: a more formal polo-style shirt that will be given to Neighborhood Association volunteers who help with A Taste of Thornton Park, the Block Captains who go door-to-door helping distribute the quarterly newsletter, the Welcome Wagon Committee, the Garden & Beautification Committee members who help award the "Yards of the Season", the TPNA officers and anyone else doing "official business" for the neighborhood. This shirt will most likely be burgundy with the stylized graphic of our fountain



and the words "Thornton Park Neighborhood Association" on the front right side.

A second shirt, which will include the aforementioned graphic and words along with a cool blueprint (pictured) of the Thornton Park Fountain on the back is also proposed. This version would come in olive green or black, and would be for sale at an undetermined price. The proposed colors, options and designs will be voted on at the next Neighborhood Association meeting.

RESIDENTS USE COVID-19 DOWNTIME TO PRIME, PAINT, PATCH-UP AND PLANT

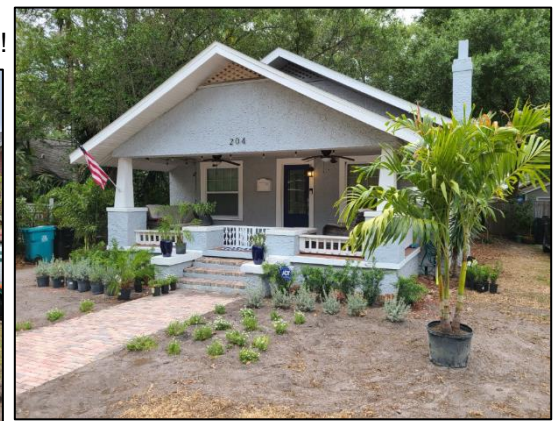
So much work is being done on Thornton Park homes during the public health crisis. Perhaps this is a silver lining to this difficult time.



Check out the Thornton Park Facebook page to see some of the completed homes!

PETS IN THE PARK

This is Cocoa! Her guardians are Guy and Lauren on James Ave.



WINTER YARD OF THE SEASON

The Garden & Beautification Committee in Thornton Park picked its latest "Yard of the Season" on March 16. Mike and Erica Egeli at 210 North Brown Avenue received the Spring award for 2020, a full year after the Thornton Park Neighborhood Association started bestowing the prize upon worthy yards.

This particular property has seen quite a transformation in the last few years, and displays a cheery combination of colorful flowers, trimmed topiaries and hedges, along with small patches of green grass. Pollinator-friendly pentas and milkweed can be found at the base of the front steps, and potted plants bring the yard right up onto the porch.

The pinnacle of the yard, though, is the towering column of confederate jasmine, which is just beginning to bloom and will fill the street with their scent. The owners turned an unsightly power pole into the yard's crowning feature. Pedestrians walking by get to inhale the heady aroma as their eyes take in the pleasant surroundings of Thornton Park's Spring Yard of the Season.



SUPPORT OUR SPONSORS

The following local businesses supported the Thornton Park Neighborhood Association at last year's "Taste of Thornton Park". Now it's time to support them!

KellerWilliams at the Parks
Animal Medical Clinic of Orlando
310 Lakeside Restaurant
Anthony's of Thornton Park
The Veranda
Big Time Street Food
Menagerie Eatery & Bar
Raw Juice Bar

Graffiti Junktion Thornton Park
Maxine's on Shine
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Olde Town Brokers
Nathan Vanags Design
Stubborn Mule
Mamak Asian Street Food
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Ten10 Brewing Company
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