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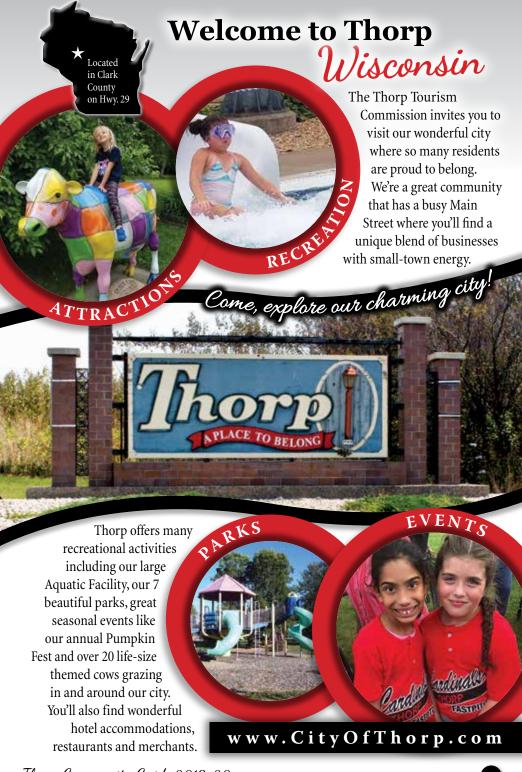
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# Community Events & Attractions EASTER EGG

Thorp hosts many events throughout the year for everyone of all ages to enjoy!

#### MARCH

- Firemen's Ball Cindy's Banquet Hall
- Smelt Feed American Legion Hall
- · Thorp FFA Alumni Toy & Craft Show

#### APRII.

 Thorp Chamber of Commerce Easter Egg Hunt - Thorp High School

### MAY

- · City-wide Thrift Sales
- Memorial Day Parade & Ceremony

### **JUNE**

DAIRY DAYS

ACQUATICE

- · Thorp Dairy Days Northside Park
- Thorp Chamber of Commerce Summer Concert Series
- Knights of Columbus Chicken BBQ Quonset Hall Hwy. X (Yellowstone Trail) & Gorman Ave
- Thorp Fun Run
- Thorp Lion's Demolition Derby Northside Park

# **JULY**

- Thorp Chamber of Commerce Summer Concert Series & Fireworks Extravaganza
- Thorp VFW 4th of July Breakfast Buffet
- · Biennial Circus Coming in 2020

## AUGUST

- Thorp Chamber of Commerce Summer Concert Series
- Annual Thorp Summer Fest Downtown Thorp

Contact City Hall for more information about the events **715-669-5371** 





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## SEPTEMBER

· Annual Harvest Fest - Saturday after Labor Day

#### **OCTOBER**

- Thorp Pumpkin Fest First Saturday in October Pumpkin carving, hayrides, crafters & much more!
  - Downtown Thorp

#### NOVEMBER

- · Thorp Sportsman's Club Site-In Day 9am - 3pm - Rifle Range
- Small Business Saturday Last Saturday in November Nationwide Shop Small Movement to support your local downtown businesses. Celebrating small businesses & the neighborhoods they're in!

#### DECEMBER

- · Fantasy Craft Bazaar Thorp High School
- Thorp Chamber of Commerce "Hometown for the Holidays" Christmas Parade
  - Downtown Thorp

# May-October

• Thorp Area Historical Society & Heritage Telephone Museum - More info on page 7

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# ALL-SUMMER-LONG

- Enjoy Thorp's Ulica Kwiatow (Street Of Flowers)
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- Moo-ve around Thorp & find 20+ life-size themed cows
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# History of Thorp

Thorp in 1870 was a land of timber; the abundant pines and hardwoods were the base of the areas first industries, in shingles, barrel staves and charcoal. The earth furnished red clay for bricks used to construct businesses and homes, many of which are still in use.

When James and Ephrime Boardman built the first cabins, there were no roads, not even an Indian trail for a guide. The homestead was ten miles from a neighbor, with camps of Chippewa Indians in what are now the townships of Reseburg, Worden and Butler.

New settlers followed; trails, and then roads were carved out of the wilderness. Farms sprang up on the fertile land, and schools, saloons, general stores and churches were established. Within ten years, there was the beginning of a thriving community. The Village of Thorp was established on May 29, 1893, with a population of 883. In April 1948, the Village of Thorp became the City of Thorp with a population of 1,052.

In the early 1900's, dairying was so well established, farmers brought cheese makers to the area to begin processing our now famous cheeses. These cheeses and traditional sausages can still be purchased as you travel through our beautiful four-season area.

The original Boardman and Indian trails became part of the famous Yellowstone Trail. In the 1920's, this road, which ran from Plymouth Rock in Massachusetts, to Puget Sound in Washington, was the nation's first interstate highway to be completed. In Clark County, it is now identified as Highway's County Road X and State Highway 73. The four corners in Thorp, State Highway 73 and County Road X, are now marked with the yellow stones and signs, which marked the original road. A new movement is in progress to not only retrace the trail in Clark County, but throughout the State of Wisconsin.



# Helping the Thorp Community Prosper!

The Thorp Area Chamber of Commerce's mission is to strengthen the local economy and serve as a voice of business in community affairs, while recognizing that a healthy business climate is a requirement for a healthy community. Without the support and dedication of our Chamber members, these events and many others would not be possible.

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Hometown for the Holidays Downtown - Shopping Specials, Christmas Parade & More!



Our exhibits showcase the stories of people, businesses & the agricultural impact that helped our community become what we are today - A place to belong.

The **Thorp Area Historical Society** collects & displays... history, genealogies & artifacts of the area & world which have affected the local way of life.

We also have a growing collection of early-period farm equipment, machinery, clothing, household items, books & war memories.



Included in a portion of our building is the **Telephone Heritage Room.** While walking through the museum, you will be able to see over 100 telephones from around the world. The museum portrays the stages of development and demonstrates through its displays

the progression of the telephone industry from the late 1800's to the present. It is the only museum of this kind in the state of Wisconsin, and the Thorp Area Historical Society is proud to have the opportunity to share it with the rest of the world.

We are located at 307 W Birch St., 2 blocks west of Washington St. Please call for hours & more information 715-773-0102, 715-669-5943 or 715-669-5021

# Thorp Dairy Days

By Jenny Burkhardt

Thorp Dairy Days has been an annual event happening the first weekend in June that is well known around the area for decades. Hundreds of people attend, including people

that come from the surrounding communities. Many families come and enjoy the carnival along with the food stands run by local businesses and organizations. All of the stands have the BEST of what they offer. Some of the well-known items are the Famous Nolechek's Brats and Homemade French Fries at the Lion's & Lioness stand, Grilled Chicken with all of the fixings at the American Legion stand, Burgers and Fresh Deep Fried Cheese Curds at the St. Bernard/St. Hedwig Church stand.

There are pulls put on each day which include Mini-rod, Truck, and Tractor Pulls. There is also a Kiddie Tractor Pull for all of the children to get a taste of Tractor Pulling. Live entertainment is under the pavilion and the Annual Thorp Dairy Days Parade is on Sunday at Noon! There's fun to be had for all ages, so come join us this year.





Thorp Dairy Days

Thorp's Northside Park Located North of Hwy. 29 on Hwy. 73

Friday, Saturday & Sunday

► FREE ADMISSION ◀

# FRIDAY EVENTS Mini-rod Pull • Music

# **SATURDAY EVENTS**

Dairy Breakfast • Annual Fun Run Truck/Tractor Pull • Music

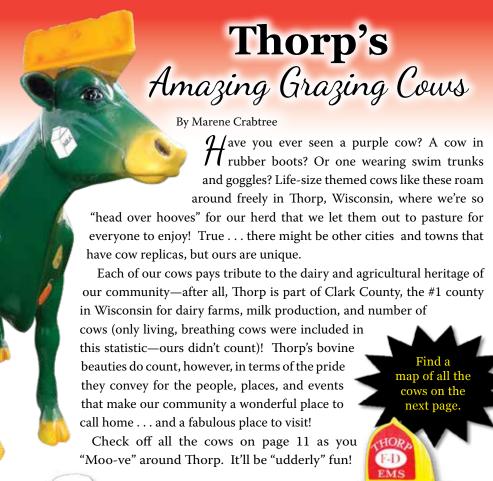
# **SUNDAY EVENTS**

Annual Parade at Noon Lion's Demo Derby Kiddie Tractor Pull • Music Watch for more information on our Mid-summer Shoot-out in July!



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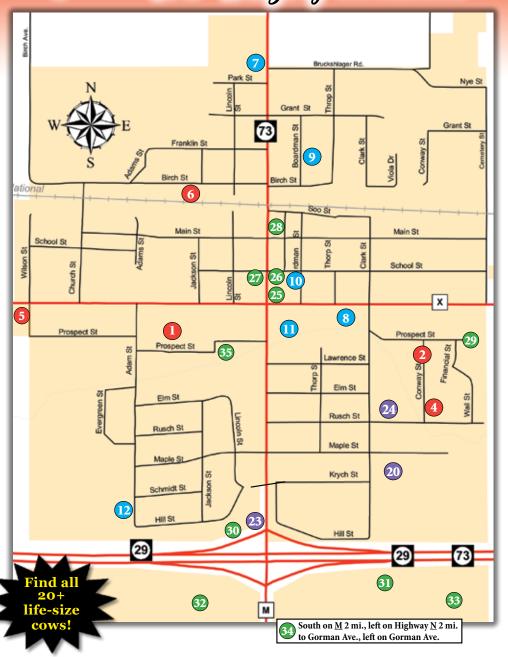
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# Map of the Cow Grazing Locations



# **Visit our Amazing, Grazing Cows!**

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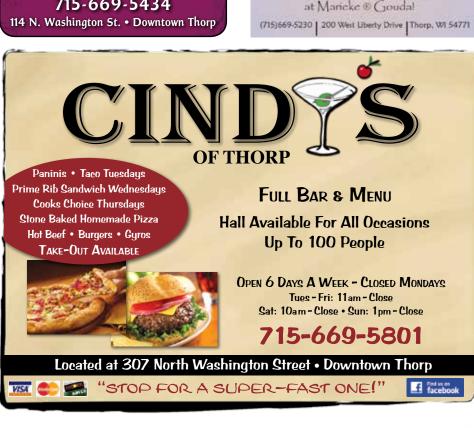
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# Thorp Pumpkin Fest

By Karen Andruszkiewicz

Thorp is the place to be the first Saturday in October! It's the Thorp Pumpkin Fest from  $\ell$  9am – 4pm. Downtown Thorp is filled with excitement as Festers come to enjoy the one-day event. The air is crisp and the smell of fall is in the air - or is it the freshly-baked pumpkin items lining the street?

Indoors and on the street, plenty of fun for both young and old alike. The festive environment is enhanced by the variety of music that can be heard up and down the street. Feel free to sit a spell and listen to the Thorp High School Band and Chorus, or if the young ones are antsy, visit the

children's area where Randy Peterson will entertain you and your children while the kids can take part in the free pumpkin painting. Don't forget to check out the "Biggest Pumpkin."

> With over 150 craft and food vendors, it's a great time and place to get started on your Christmas shopping. There's something for everyone to enjoy at the Thorp Pumpkin Fest!

> > We hope to see you there.

Visit our Pumpkin Cow at Garrison Park! Themed after our annual Thorp Pumpkin Fest!

For updates, visit www.CityOfThorp.com

# Visit Thorp for a day full of fun & excitement!





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Blue Lines: Bike routes that follow city streets.

Green Lines: Bike trails, which are off road.

Orange Lines: Unimproved trail, no gravel base,

it could be wet, muddy or sloppy.

**Red Lines:** City limits

Enjoy a day outdoors with the family and check out **Thorp's Bike Trails!** 

# Thorp Parks

DOG PARK
THORP'S
"PET FRIENDLY"
dog park is just
east of the city
limits on
Cty. Hwy. X.

The City of Thorp has 7 named parks, along with several unnamed greenspaces. In all, Thorp's 61.35 acres of park and green space yield more than 39 acres per 1,000 people, well above the 12.5 acre standard.

Thorp takes great pride in its parks. Please place all litter in the receptacles. Dogs on leashes are welcome in Thorp's parks, as long as owners clean up after their pets.

Park shelters can be reserved for a fee of \$25 by calling Thorp City Hall at 715-669-5371.



# **GARRISON PARK**

Garrison Park is located on North Washington Street, nestled on Thorp's quaint and active main street and is .10 acres. It offers a spot to sit and relax, eat lunch or meet friends. It features shade trees, a gazebo, picnic tables and benches.

# **CONWAY PARK**

Conway Park is located in the southwest corner of the city on South Adams Street and is 12 acres. About half of the park is wooded and features a trail for hiking, biking, snowshoeing or cross-country skiing. The park also features playground equipment, a basketball court and a small picnic shelter.





# Northside Park

Northside Park is located at the northern city limits on Hwy. 73 and is 11 acres. The park features a fenced and lighted baseball field with concession stand and dugouts. It also features multiple pavilions, restrooms, 4 campsites and hosts several community events including Dairy Days and the Demolition Derby.



# YELLOWSTONE TRAIL PARK

Yellowstone Trail Park, formerly known as the City Park, is located in central Thorp along the Yellowstone Trail (Cty. Hwy. X or East Stanley Street) and is 5.5 acres. It features playground equipment, a windmill, fenced and lighted tennis courts, a walking/bike trail, an ice skating rink with warming house and pavilion, 3 sand volleyball courts, horseshoe pits, a large pavilion and restrooms.

# KEATING PARK

Keating Park is located in the northeast part of the city on North Boardman Street and is 1.8 acres. It features playground equipment, a lighted basketball court, picnic tables, benches and a drinking fountain.





# VETERAN'S PARK

Veteran's Park is located on South Washington Street on the banks of McGrogan Creek and is .25 acres. The park features an army tank and hosts Memorial Day activities each year.

# Ulica Kwiatów ~ Street of Flowers

Thorp's STREET OF FLOWERS ("ULICA KWIATOW" in Polish) began in 1993 and continues each summer. Greeting visitors as they enter Thorp are beautiful hanging flower basket planters and eleven planting circles. The three touching center circles represent: Commitment, Celebration & Community.



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# Outdoor Recreation



**BASKETBALL:** Outdoor basketball courts can be found at Conway and Keating Parks.

**BASEBALL:** Baseball field can be found at Northside Park.

**VOLLEYBALL:** Yellowstone Trail Park features 3 sand volleyball courts with officiating stands and lights.

**TENNIS:** Lighted tennis courts are available at Yellowstone Trail Park.

**HORSESHOES:** Horseshoe pits are available at Yellowstone Trail Park.

**SWIMMING:** The Thorp Aquatic Facility is open throughout the summer. *See ad on p. 21*. Additionally, several local lakes are a short driving distance away. Check out the FairBridge Inn & Suites wonderful indoor pool. *See ad on inside back cover.* 

**WATER AEROBICS:** During the summer months, water aerobics are hosted at the Thorp Aquatic Facility by a local group. See ad on p. 21. FairBridge Inn & Suites of Thorp hosts indoor water aerobics fall through spring. See ad on inside back cover.

# Thorp has a VARIETY of Recreational Activities

# for EVERYONE to enjoy!

PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT: Playground equipment can be found at Conway, Keating, Northside and Yellowstone Trail Parks. See a full list on pages 18 & 19.

**THORP ICE SKATING RINK:** Thorp has the only public ice skating rink with a staffed warming house between Wausau & Chippewa Falls. Located next to the Yellowstone Trail Park. See ad below.

**ATV TRAILS:** Contact the City Hall for more information 715-669-5371.

**RV CAMPSITES:** The Northside Park features 4 campsites that can be rented by calling the City Hall at 715-669-5371.

**HORSEBACK RIDING:** Circle T Saddle Club www.circletsaddleclub.webs.com

**THORP TRAP RANGE:** This 20 acre city-owned facility is just outside the northwest corner of the city limits on Pine Rd. The Goggle Eye Trap Club has a long-term lease and operates the facility. It is open to the public and features a clubhouse, 3 trap houses, shooting stations and lights for nighttime shooting.

**THORP RIFLE RANGE:** Open year-round, 6 Miles South on M, take right on Cloverdale Rd. and go 2 miles.

#### THORP DOG PARK

Thorp's "PET FRIENDLY" dog park is just east of the city limits on Cty. Hwy. X.



Thorp has the only public ice skating rink with a staffed warming house between Wausau & Chippewa Falls. Skate or play hockey under our lights to

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To contact the Thorp Aquatic Facility, call **715-669-7433** or for general information call City Hall at **715-669-5371** 

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# Thorp Churches Worship at the Church of your choice!

A number of denominations are represented by the many churches in Thorp.



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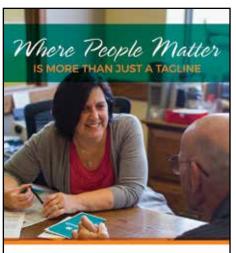
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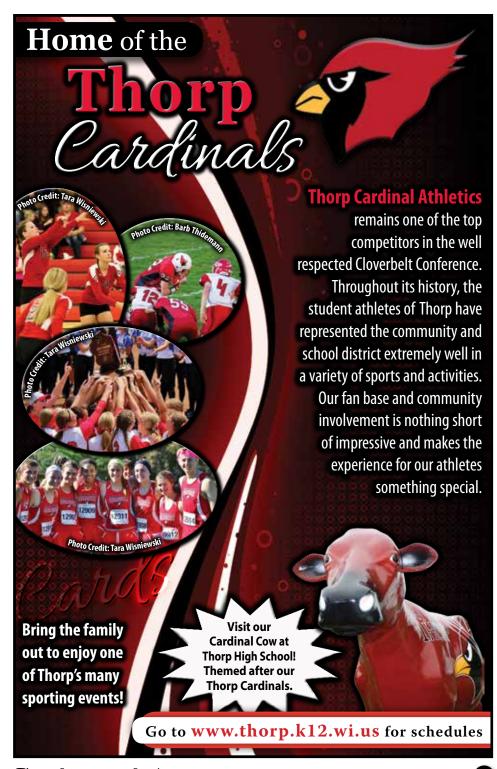


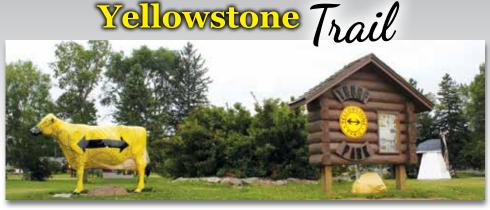
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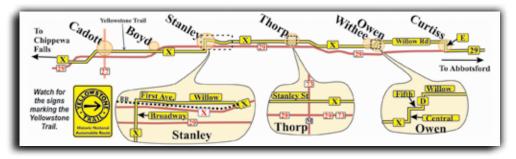
# **Explore the history of the Yellowstone Trail that runs through Thorp, WI**

There are seven unique towns along the Yellowstone Trail (County X). They offer a buffet of little gems like small community parks, turn of the century churches, quaint restaurants and American history.

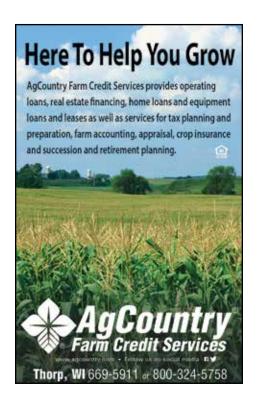
In 1912, roads were dirt wagon roads – dust and mud. Citizens gathered to improve and connect local roads to make the first coast-to-coast route in the northern tier of states: The Yellowstone Trail. In 1918, Wisconsin was the first to number its automobile highways and governments were starting to fund good roads. By 1929, the Yellowstone Trail was the first Wisconsin highway to be paved with concrete all across the state.

Thorp(e) - Railroad telegraphers dropped the (e) from founder Joseph Gilbert Thorpe's name. This lawyer, lumber baron and State Senator lived in Eau Claire, but never in his eponymous town. Thorp's **Yellowstone Trail Park** is so named because it is on the Trail, (Stanley St., Co. X). The park recently received that name due to a resurgence of interest in the Yellowstone Trail. Outdoor activities there include ice skating and summer live music.

Almost two decades ago, local resident Arnoldine Gulcynski was instrumental in reviving interest in the Trail in the area by placing markers at the main intersection in town, Stanley St. (Co. X, YT) and Co. M. At the same intersection is **Bob's Corner Service** and next to that **Bolt's of Fun Quilt Shop**. In the 1920s and 1930s, Al Capone, the famous Chicago gangster, frequently stopped at this station on his way to his hideout in northern Wisconsin. At the same intersection sits the present **Heritage Court Motel** in a 100 year old building. There is a large yellow rock on the corner of Hwy. X and Gorman Ave. marking the Trail.



For more information, visit www.YellowstoneTrail.org





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By Kimberly Rabuck

In November of 2006, Marieke Penterman, along with her husband Rolf and one other team member made a batch of Gouda cheese with the intensions of starting up a small retail store and keeping themselves supplied with the cheese they so greatly missed from their homeland – The Netherlands. Shortly after winning her first gold award at the United States Cheese Championship in February of 2007, Marieke's small retail store turned into a nation-wide supplier of her handcrafted, artisan, farmstead Marieke\* Gouda Cheese.

Twelve years, and over 150 world and national awards later, her team has grown to over 35 members and enjoy modern dairy farming on their creamery right off Highway 29 in Thorp, Wisconsin. Rolf and his team milk 400 cows on Penterman Farm and supply the creamery with fresh, rBGH-free milk that goes from cow to cheese in five hours. Their milking parlor and cheese-making rooms are equipped with large viewing windows, and they offer a variety of tour options you can read about on their website, www.mariekegouda.com.

Plan to stop in at The Thorp Chamber and Tourism's annual Harvest Fest held at Marieke® Gouda on the Saturday after Labor Day to enjoy many family-friendly activities as well as samples of their award-winning Marieke® Gouda Cheese! Contact their retail store by calling (715) 669-5230 or shop online and ship anywhere at www.mariekegouda.com. Come by and taste the Marieke Gouda experience!





Exceptional milk makes excellent cheese. We have our cows to thank for that!

We treat our cows, or "Gouda Girls" as we like to call them, with love and respect.

Come, learn about our free-stall barn, milking parlor, and learn all about the cheesemaking process at our creamery. Our guided tour season runs Memorial Day through Labor Day and free, self-guided tours are available during our off-season, after Labor day and up to Memorial Day.



Marieke Gouda creates award-winning, handcrafted, farmstead, raw cow's milk Gouda cheese.

Visit us and meet our Gouda family in Thorp, Wisconsin!

The Marieke Gouda Store boasts more than just our award-winning Gouda; we offer a charming collection of gifts like Wisconsin made candies, meats, wines, beer, and cheeses as well as various items imported from Marieke's homeland, the Netherlands.



CREAMERY/STORE 715-669-5230

CONVENIENTLY LOCATED OFF HWY, 29 • 200 W. LIBERTY DRIVE • THORP, WI 54771

# MARIERE GOUDA, COM

STORE OPEN 7 AM-7 PM EVERY DAY • CLOSED SOME HOLIDAYS
CAFÉ DUTCHESS OPEN 7 AM-3 PM MONDAY-SATURDAY





Stop by the Thorp Post Office for all your shipping needs and packing supplies!

LAST COLLECTION TIMES: Monday - Saturday at 1:45 pm

HOURS: Weekdays: 9 am - 12 pm & 1 - 4:15 pm • Saturdays: 9:30 - 11:30 am





# **Public Safety, Ordinances & Public Works**



In any emergency situation posing an imminent threat to life or property, please dial 911.

#### LAW ENFORCEMENT

The Thorp Police Department provides the primary law enforcement in the City of Thorp. They receive assistance from the Clark County Sheriff's Department and the Wisconsin State Patrol. The Thorp Police Department is located at 300 W. Prospect St. and can be reached at 715-669-5523.

#### FIRE & AMBULANCE SERVICE

Provided by the Thorp Area Fire & Ambulance Districts, please dial **911** for emergencies.

#### **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

The City of Thorp has an Emergency Management Committee comprised of the Chief of Police, City Administrator and Director of Public Works. The City works cooperatively with Clark County Emergency Management.

#### CITY ORDINANCES

You can find a complete list of links to see various chapters of the City of Thorp Code of Ordinances on **www.CityOfThorp.com.** The information contained is intended to be a guide, and the city will make every effort to keep them up-to-date. However, please visit or contact City Hall for the most up-to-date versions.

#### WINTER PARKING REGULATIONS

Beginning November 1st, winter parking regulations go into effect.

See www.CityOfThorp.com for rules.

# Thorp City Hall/ Public Works & Police Department

300 W. Prospect St. • PO Box 334 • Thorp, WI 54771

City Hall/Public Works 715-669-5371

Police 715-669-5523 (Non-Emergency)

# **Demographic Profile**

population of approximately 50,000 resides in a 25 mile radius. State Trunk Highway 29 and the STH 73/CTH M interchange are seeing an annual average daily traffic (AADT) of over 20,000 vehicles a day. This is nearly a 43% increase over the past ten years. This, coupled with the recent and planned commercial expansions, makes this area a prime development site.

As the Eau Claire bypass was completed, a four-lane connection between Minneapolis

to Green Bay was in place. We're half an hour from Hwy. 53 and the Chippewa Valley Regional Airport, less than an hour from I-39 & I-94 and less than 2 hours from the Mississippi River access at Hudson, WI.

For more information, visit www.CityOfThorp.com















# Member Directory

#### ASSISTED LIVING

Traditions Assisted Living - PG 33

418 E. Stanley St. • Thorp, WI 54771 • 715-669-3844

#### **AUTO-TIRE SERVICE/GAS STATION**

Bob's Corner Garage - PG 32

100 E. Stanley St. • Thorp, WI 54771 • 715-669-5310

#### **BAKERY**

Sweet Memories - PG 13

114 N. Washington St. • Thorp, WI 54771 • 715-669-5434

#### **BANKS**

Forward Financial Bank - PG 30

105 S. Washington St. • Thorp, WI 54771 • 715-669-5341

Northwestern Bank - PG 23

111 N. Washington St. • Thorp, WI 54771 • 715-669-5707

AG Country Farm Credit Services - PG 27

204 E. Liberty Dr. • Thorp, WI 54771 • 715-669-5911

#### CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Thorp Chamber of Commerce - PG 6

P.O. Box 16 • Thorp, WI 54771 • 715-669-5371 www.thorpchamber.com

#### CHEESE STORE/CREAMERY/FARM

Holland's Family Cheese

DBA Marieke Gouda - PG 28 & 29

200 W. Liberty Dr. • Thorp, WI 54771 • 715-669-5230

#### DENTIST/COSMETIC DENTISTRY

Dental Health Center - PG 23

202 W. Prospect St. • Thorp, WI 54771 • 715-669-5620

#### **ELECTRIC COMPANY**

Alger Electric, LLC. - PG 27

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729 • 715-829-4101

### **ENTERTAINMENT/RECREATION**

Thorp Aquatic Facility - PG 21

300 S. Conway St. • Thorp, WI 54771 • 715-669-7433

Thorp Dairy Days - PG 8

Held at Northside Park • 715-669-3825

Thorp Pumpkin Fest - PG 14 & 15

Downtown Thorp

#### **FABRIC STORE, FABRIC & NOTIONS**

Bolts of Fun Ouilt Shop - PG 2

102 E. Stanley St. • Thorp, WI 54771 • 715-773-0018

Pine Hollow - PG 32

N14085 Fernwall Ave. • Stanley, WI 54768

715-644-3591 • 715-644-0538

#### **FUNERAL DIRECTOR**

Cuddie Funeral Homes - PG 30

110 W. School St. • Thorp, WI 54771 • 715-669-5621

#### FURNITURE/CABINETS/WOODWORKING

Hank's Furniture & Carpeting

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104 S. Washington St. • Thorp, WI 54771 • 715-669-5331

Labrador Woodworks - PG 33

Thorp, WI 54771 • 715-773-1311

Wisconsin Bench Manufacturing - PG 23

507 E. Grant St. • Thorp, WI 54771 • 800-242-2303

### FURNITURE/PRIMITIVE FURNITURE & MORE

Pine Hollow - PG 32

N14085 Fernwall Ave. • Stanley, WI 54768

715-644-3591 • 715-644-0538

### **GARBAGE COLLECTION**

Express Disposal Inc. - PG 32

N14985 Tieman Ave. • Thorp, WI 54771 • 800-440-4990

#### **GREENHOUSE**

Cindv's Greenhouse - PG 33

W9253 County Line Rd. • Lublin, WI 54447 • 715-669-5699

# For a full business directory, visit www.CityOfThorp.com

#### HARDWARE/RETAIL

D&J Hardware - PG 33

201 E. Liberty Dr. • Thorp, WI 54771 • 715-669-5349

#### MOTEL

#### FairBridge Inn & Suites

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2031/2 W. Hill St. • Thorp, WI 54771 • 715-669-5959

#### MUSEUM

# Thorp Area Historical & Telephone Museum - PG 7

305 W. Birch St. • Thorp, WI 54771 • 715-669-5943

#### **NEWSPAPER**

#### The Sentinel & Rural News - PG 27

PO Box 415 • 218 N. Central Ave. • Owen, WI 54460 715-255-3751

#### **OUILT SHOP**

#### Bolts of Fun Quilt Shop - PG 2

102 E. Stanley St. • Thorp, WI 54771 • 715-773-0018

#### Pine Hollow - PG 32

N14085 Fernwall Ave. • Stanley, WI 54768

715-644-3591 • 715-644-0538

#### RESTAURANTS/CAFÉS/BARS

**Brewsters** - PG 12

N12495 Cty. Rd. M • Thorp, WI 54771 • 715-669-3778

CAFÉ DUTCHess - PG 13

200 W. Liberty Dr. • Thorp, WI 54771 • 715-669-5230

Cindy's - PG 13

307 N. Washington St. • Thorp, WI 54771 • 715-669-5801

#### **RETREAT & EVENT CENTER**

A Time to Retreat - PG 2

110 E. Stanley St. • Thorp, WI 54771 • 715-773-0652





Over since 1898, the Thorp Public Library has been serving the residents of Thorp and providing services to meet their business, entertainment and educational needs. After major renovations in 2010, the Thorp Public Library has much to offer visitors and everyday users; plenty

of seating for reading or accessing the wireless

internet, ADA accessible bathrooms, a lift to the lower level community room and a brighter and more welcoming front entry. The Library is also a favorite place for families and children of all ages since Story Hour is offered year round every Tuesday at 10:30 am and a popular Summer Reading Program is open to all area children throughout the summer break.

Thorp Public Library is a favorite community gathering place, and we invite you come in to see our remodeled facility, access the wireless internet or public computers, download electronic materials, browse from thousands of books or movies, or just relax for a quiet moment to catch up on the local news.

Free Wireless Internet & Computer Access

• Part of a Shared Library System with Access to Over 1 Million Items

Electronic Databases

Online Account Access

Newspapers & Magazines

Books & Movies



www.ThorpPublicLibrary.org

401 South Conway Drive • P.O. Box 407 • Thorp, WI • 715-669-5953







2031/2 West Hill Street • Thorp, WI To book your reservations call:

715-669-5959



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