



Hopkins Highlights

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July
2013

City Elections: Filing for Council Members & Mayor Begins July 30

On November 5, 2013, the residents of Hopkins will elect the Mayor and two Council Members. Filing for these positions will open on Tuesday, July 30, and close on Tuesday, August 13. You may file for office at City Hall (1010 1st St S) from 8 am-4:30 pm, Monday-Friday, and until 5 pm on August 13. Individuals wishing to be a candidate must complete an affidavit of candidacy and submit it to the City Clerk along with a \$5 filing fee. If you have any questions about elections or filing for office, please contact Kris Luedke, City Clerk, at 952-548-6304 or kluedke@hopkinsmn.com. 🍓

Raspberry Festival Returns July 13



The 79th Annual Raspberry Festival takes place in Hopkins from July 13 to July 21. The Festival begins the weekend of July 13 and 14 with the Hopkins Arts Festival. There are events throughout the week. Saturday, July 20 is Family Day and features events all day long including an Arts and Crafts Fair and fireworks in the evening.

The Grande Day Parade is on Sunday, July 21 and begins at 1:00 pm. For a complete schedule of events go to www.raspberrycapital.com. 🍓

2013 Hopkins Arts Festival July 13-14

This is the time every year where volunteers, artists, performers, and art appreciators live out the mission of the Friends of the Hopkins Center for the Arts, "Bringing the Arts to the Community!"

In its fifth year, the Festival showcases what is wonderful about Hopkins. There is a lively stage with round-the clock performances, a variety of food choices, our Farmers' Market and business sponsors offering free services or special pricing for goods/services.

This is a great opportunity to see and purchase one-of-a-kind gifts and art. There will be artists offering paintings, jewelry, pottery, glassworks, graphic prints, quilts and other fiber art, photography, and mixed media.

The Hopkins Arts Festival centers in historic Hopkins, and highlights all activities presented year-round by the Hopkins Center for the Arts. Please contact Jo Clare Hartsig at JCHartsig@hopkinsmn.com or 952-979-1107 for more information. Stay up to date with all things related to Hopkins Arts Festival by liking the Festival page on Facebook!

The Hopkins Arts Festival is presented by the Friends of the Hopkins Center for the Arts, a 501(c)3 nonprofit corporation, which raises funds to provide high quality and affordable exhibitions, concerts, and other events for people of all ages at the Hopkins Center for the Arts. Proceeds from the festival directly benefit arts programming at the Center. 🍓



Community Image Award Nominations Due August 24

The City of Hopkins annually honors property owners and business owners whose pride shines through their property. This award recognizes significant improvements to property as well as superior maintenance. The award has three categories: Commercial/Industrial/Office; Multi-Family Residential; and Single Family Residential. Properties that have received an award within the last 10 years are not eligible.

To nominate a property (including your own) for this award, please send a nomination form to City Hall by August 24. Forms are available at City Hall, on line at www.hopkinsmn.com/departments/planning/award/, or by calling 952-548-6341. 🍓

Experience the UPSIDE of AGING

Stay Active & Engaged at the Hopkins Activity Center

Located at 33 - 14th Ave N in Hopkins. Call 952-939-1333 or email activitycenter@hopkinsmn.com with questions or to register.

Hopkins Raspberry Festival Celebrates 79 Years!

Senior Game Day at the Hopkins Activity Center

Sunday, July 14, 3 pm

Advance registration through July 6: \$6; after July 9: \$7 plus a Raspberry button. Bingo, great prizes, and buffet included. Co-sponsored by Hopkins American Legion, Hopkins Raspberry Festival, past Senior Raspberry Festival Royalty and Hopkins Activity Center. Call the Activity Center to register.

Al & Alma's Cruise & Luncheon

Monday, July 15, 10:15 am

Join the Raspberry Festival for a Lake Minnetonka cruise. Cost is \$36 and includes motorcoach transportation, cruise, plated lunch service and a narrated tour. Call the Activity Center to register.

Senior Royalty Dance & Coronation at the Hopkins Activity Center

Tuesday, July 16, 6:15 pm, Dancing: 7-10 pm

Raspberry Festival Senior Royalty Mary Jo Mileski & Dean Empanger invite you to dance and celebrate the end of their reign and welcome the new Senior Royalty for 2013-2014. Enjoy the music of the Big Band Sound of Dick Macko, dancing, light supper and dessert. Advance registration through July 6: \$13; after July 9: \$15 plus a Raspberry button. Co-sponsored by the Hopkins Raspberry Festival, Hopkins Jaycees and Hopkins Activity Center. Call the Activity Center to register.





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Refuse & Recycling

The week of July 1, the refuse & recycling collection for Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday routes will take place as usual. Collection for the Thursday route that week will take place on Friday, July 5, due to the holiday. Recycling collection is July 1-5, July 15-18 and July 29-Aug 1. 🍓

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City Council Calendar

Tuesday, July 9, 7:05 pm
Meeting

Tuesday, July 16, 6:30 pm
Work Session

Tuesday, July 23, 7 pm
Meeting

Agendas and minutes can be found at www.hopkinsmn.com/council/meetings/. Watch City Council meetings live at www.hopkinsmn.com/council/video/.

Boards & Commissions Calendar

July 9, 7 pm
Housing & Redevelopment Authority

July 15, 6:30 pm
Park Board

July 30, 6:30 pm
Zoning & Planning Commission

Agendas and minutes found at www.hopkinsmn.com/boards/.

Cable Channel 16

City Council and Zoning & Planning Commission meetings can be seen on cable channel 16 **live**. Meetings are replayed on Channel 16 at the following days and times:

Every day, except Tues - 7 pm
Thurs - 2 pm & Sun - 1 pm

Elected Officials

Mayor
Eugene Maxwell
(952-935-5270)

City Council
Molly Cummings
Kristi Halverson
Jason Gadd
Cheryl Youakim

Keep Yard Waste Out Of Your Refuse Cart

State law prohibits residents from placing yard waste in their refuse container (MN Statute 115A.931). If yard waste is found in your refuse cart, the cart will not be picked up. The cart will be tagged with instructions to remove and dispose of the yard waste properly. 🍓

City Promotes Buy Local Efforts

*In an increasingly homogenized world, communities that preserve their one-of-a-kind businesses and distinctive character have an economic advantage.** The community leaders and citizens of Hopkins have always strived to preserve the one-of-a-kind and local businesses in our City, not only for the economic advantages, but also because doing so enhances the quality of life in Hopkins. Beginning this summer and through the holiday shopping season, the City will emphasize the "buy local" message in this newsletter, on the ThinkHopkins.com website and through outreach to local businesses by asking them to display buy local signage that the City will provide. Residents can take part in this campaign as local consumers and by offering more ideas and efforts of their own to build on the small town appeal of the City of Hopkins.

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2013-2014 Concert Season Announced

The Hopkins Center for the Arts presents another exciting concert series beginning October 26. Tickets go on sale August 1 at www.hopkinsartscenter.com or at the box office 952-979-1111.

The 2013-2014 concert season line up includes:

Saturday Sets | concert at 8 pm, social hour at 7 pm

Oct 26 Suzy Bogguss and The SteelDrivers

Nov 9 Tonic Sol-fa

Dec 14 Mavis Staples

Jan 18 Leon Bates

Feb 15 John Gorka

Apr 26 Hot Club of San Francisco

May 17 Bruce Henry, Debbie Duncan and Gwen Matthews

Take Five Tuesdays | concert at 7 pm, social hour at 6 pm

Feb 11 Chastity Brown

Mar 25 Over the Rhine

Apr 29 Keri Noble

May 13 Gary Louris

National Night Out Is August 6



Celebrate the 30th annual National Night Out against crime and drugs with your neighbors on **Tuesday, August 6**.

From 5:30 to 9 pm, neighborhoods throughout Hopkins and across the nation are asked to lock their doors, turn on outside lights, and spend the evening outside with neighbors. Many Hopkins neighborhoods will be hosting special events—block parties, cookouts, ice cream socials, potlucks, and games!

Register your party early and enjoy a visit from McGruff, Sparky, the Police Department, or the Fire Department. A registration form can be obtained at www.hopkinsmn.com/events/nno.php or contact Anne Marie Buck of the Hopkins Police Department at 952-548-6407 or abuck@hopkinsmn.com before July 19. 🍓



11 concerts light up the stage during the 2013-2014 season

Freshen Up Your Refuse Container

Here are a few simple tips to keep your container clean and reduce the odor during the summer heat:

- Place your refuse in paper/plastic bags before putting it in the refuse cart.
- Place your recycling in paper bags before putting it in the recycling cart.
- Rinse bottles and cans before placing them in the recycling cart.
- If you have decomposable refuse place it in a plastic bag and freeze it until your collection day
- Wash the interior of your carts with a household cleaner and water. 🍓