



Hopkins Highlights

October
2014

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When It Snows In Hopkins...

☑ Move Your Car

Snow Emergencies may be declared upon a two-inch snowfall. Call the Snow Line at 952-939-1399 for snow emergency announcements. Parking restrictions will remain in effect until streets are plowed **curb to curb** and the parking lots and parking ramp are completely plowed. To avoid being towed, remove your vehicle from city streets and parking lots as soon as a snow emergency is declared. Visit www.hopkinsmn.com/transportation/snow.php to find out where to park during snow emergencies.

☑ Shovel the Sidewalk

Hopkins residents are responsible for removing snow and ice from public sidewalks. City ordinance mandates that snow or ice be removed from sidewalks within 12 hours of a snowfall. This is necessary for the safety of all who use the sidewalks. Remember—it is against the law for individuals to plow, shovel, blow or place snow onto streets, alleys and boulevards.

☑ Clear The Fire Hydrants

While the City tries to clean snow from fire hydrants as soon as possible after a snowfall, it could use your help. Please adopt a nearby fire hydrant and keep it clear of snow through the winter. Hydrants should be cleared five feet on each side to give the Fire Department the quickest and best access. ❄️

 Call the Snow Line
952-939-1399



Experience the
UPSIDE of *AGING*

☞ Stay Active 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.

☞ Beginning Pickleball Instruction

Tuesday, October 14, 2–3 pm

Members \$4; others \$6

Get an overview of this exciting game with Instructor, Catherine. Learn game rules, scoring and court position. Equipment is available for use. Call to register.

☞ Be Stroke Smart

Tuesday, October 21, 2 pm

A free informational seminar sponsored by Allina Health, Abbott Northwestern Hospital and the Minnesota Stroke Association to learn how to reduce risk of stroke, recognize the symptoms and how to respond. Presenters Timothy Hehr, RN, Stroke Outreach Program of Allina Health and Paula St. John of the Minnesota Brain Injury Alliance. Call 612-877-7913 or email paulasj@braininjurymn.org to register.

☞ Qigong

Wednesdays, 7–8:30 pm

Members free; others \$2

An integration of postures, breathing and focused intentions. The class is guided through the gentle, easy-to-learn exercise and meditative practice. Call to register.

☞ Connect To Learning: Recognizing Women Artists

Tuesday, October 28, 1 pm

Members free; others \$2

Open windows to another place and time via videoconferencing! The Smithsonian American Art Museum presents a tour of the artworks collection of respected women of the art world. Call to register!

☞ 8-Hour Defensive Driving Class

Tuesday–Wednesday, October 28–29, 6–10 pm

Members \$27; others \$30

People age 55+ can qualify for a 10%, 3-year discount on auto insurance. Taught by an instructor from the Minnesota Safety Council. Call to register.

General Election Scheduled For November 4



Polling places will be open 7 am–8 pm on Tuesday, November 4 for the 2014 general election. If you will be absent from your precinct on November 4 you may vote by absentee ballot. Applications to vote by absentee are available on the City website or can be filled out in person at City Hall through November 3. For more information about absentee voting, voter registration or where to vote, visit the city website at www.hopkinsmn.com. Voters without internet access should call Amy Domeier, City Clerk, at 952-548-6304. ❄️

Council Approves Preliminary Budget

At its September 2nd meeting the City Council approved the preliminary 2015 budget and levy. The preliminary General Fund budget was set at \$11,346,716, a 3.66% increase over 2014. The preliminary 2015 tax levy was set at \$11,044,958, which results in about a \$78 increase for an average home valued at \$255,000. The City Council set a public meeting to discuss the budget for December 2, 2014, at 7 pm in the City Council Chambers. The public is invited to attend and provide comments. ❄️

Rocking in the new Concert Season!

The new concert season kicks off on Saturday, October 11, with The BoDeans, heartland rock favorites. The first of 14 concerts at Hopkins Center for the Arts, this event starts at 8 pm with a social hour at 7 pm. Tickets are online at www.HopkinsArtsCenter.com or by phone at 952-979-1111. ❄️





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Refuse and Recycling

Recycle collection is October 6-9 and 20-23.
Refuse collection will take place Monday through Thursday as usual.

Report a Pothole

Visit the City website and click "Report a Pothole" in the Quick Links box or call Public Works at 952-939-1382.

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Upcoming Meetings

City Council Calendar

Tuesday, October 14, 6:30 pm
Work Session

Tuesday, October 21, 7 pm
Meeting

Wednesday, November 5, 7 pm
Meeting

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

Boards and Commissions Calendar

Monday, October 20, 6:30 pm
Park Board

Tuesday, October 28, 6:30 pm
Zoning and Planning Commission

Wednesday, November 5, 7 pm
Housing and Redevelopment Authority

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

Cable Channel 16

City Council and Zoning and 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 and Sun - 1 pm

Elected Officials

Mayor
Eugene Maxwell
(952-935-5270)

City Council

Molly Cummings
Jason Gadd
Kristi Halverson
Cheryl Youakim

Upcoming Pavilion Events

Ice Season Through Feb 22, 2015
Ice Times for Sale www.rinkfinder.com

Sunday Public Skate:
October 5-Feb 15, 2015, 1-2:30pm

Sticks & Pucks (Mon-Fri)
Through Feb 20, 2015. Adults only: 11:30am-12:30 pm. Any age: 12:30 pm-1:30 pm

Hopkins Farmers' Market

Located just south of the clock tower. October is bursting with fall produce such as pumpkins, apples, and squash. Join us on Saturdays, 7:30 am-noon, and enjoy live music, art, jewelry, sweet treats, local raw honey, jams, artisan breads and more. October 25 is our final market day and our annual pumpkin carving contest. To enter, bring your creation in on October 25.



Fire Department Open House Is October 11

The Hopkins Fire Department is holding an open house at the Hopkins Fire Station (101 17th Ave S) on Saturday, Oct 11, 10 am-2 pm. Stop by for a ride in the fire truck, demos, hot dogs, popcorn, and free T-shirts and fire helmets for the kids. Watch live fire demonstrations and learn valuable tips for preventing fires at home.

Free Leaf & Yard Waste Pick Up

Bellgrove, Hobby Acres, Park Ridge and Interlachen Park Residents

The City provides FREE street leaf and yard waste pick up in your area using front-end loaders and dump trucks. Pick up in these areas will be November 3-November 6. Refer to schedule below for your neighborhood's pick up day:

- **Bellgrove:** Monday, November 3
- **Interlachen Park:** Tuesday, November 4 (Meadowbrook Rd up to & including Maple Hill Rd)
- **Park Ridge:** Wednesday, November 5
- **Hobby Acres:** Wednesday, November 5
- **Interlachen Park:** Thursday, November 6 (Interlachen Rd to Blake Rd)



Place leaves in loose piles (unbagged) in the street along the curb line. Leaves should be placed on the street no later than 7 am on your scheduled pick-up day and no earlier than the day before your scheduled pick-up day. There will not be free bagged yard waste pick up in these neighborhoods.

All Other City Service Area Residents

Free fall leaf/yard waste bag pick up will be October 27-November 20.

The last week of curbside/alley yard waste bag pick up will be November 17-November 20.

Note: For all community areas, yard waste stickers must be affixed to each bag during non-free, pick-up dates. Bags of leaves and yard waste will be picked up from City residential refuse customers on the same day as regular refuse pick up.

Yard Waste/Brush Drop-Off Site

The free brush and yard waste drop-off site (3100 Hopkins Crossroads) will be open regular hours (Monday and Wednesday 2-7 pm and Saturday 9 am-3 pm) through October 15.

From October 16-November 29, the free brush and yard waste drop-off site will be open Monday and Wednesday 1-5 pm and Saturday 9 am-3 pm.

Drop-off site will be closed after November 29. All services are subject to change or cancellation due to weather.

Free Fall Brush Pick-Up

The City will be picking up brush free of charge for residential refuse customers the same day as your garbage day the week of October 13. No call in is required for the free pick up. Brush should be stacked in a neat pile on the boulevard, NOT in the street (NO alley pick-up), butt ends all one way, parallel to the street. Keep brush at least 5 feet away from overhead wires, trees, fences, refuse containers, parked cars, etc. Brush is defined as tree limbs, twigs and branches up to a maximum of 6 inches in diameter and 15 feet in length. No logs or lumber are accepted. Please call 952-939-1382 with any questions about this pick up.

Buy Local

Buy What You Want, Not What Someone Wants You To Buy



A marketplace of a multitude of small businesses is the best way to ensure innovation and low prices over the long-term. Support Hopkins small businesses so they will continue to be here to serve you.