



Hopkins Highlights

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Updating Your Home This Spring?

With spring around the corner, it's time to think about house projects. Did you know that the City of Hopkins has a housing rehab program that might be able to help pay for your home improvements? Hopkins homeowners who reside in their homes may qualify for up to \$25,000 toward home repair, remodeling and improvements.

Program eligibility is based on household income limits. For more information, visit www.hopkinsmn.com/641/Housing-Rehab-Deferred-Loans or contact Jan Youngquist, Community Development Coordinator, at 952-548-6343 or jyoungquist@hopkinsmn.com.

Save the Date: Cops and Community BINGO

The Hopkins Police Department is hosting Cops and Community Bingo on Saturday, April 27, from 1 to 4 p.m., at the Hopkins Activity Center. For \$20, play 10 games and help support the Hopkins Crime Prevention Fund and Youth Outreach. Cash only. Bring your own dobber or purchase one for \$2. Snacks and soda will be available for purchase.

This Spring at the Hopkins Activity Center

The Hopkins Activity Center is located at 33 14th Avenue North in Hopkins. Call 952-939-1333 or email activitycenter@hopkinsmn.com with questions or to register.

OH THE PLACES YOU'LL LIVE!

Join the Hopkins Activity Center for a presentation on planning and considerations for senior housing on Thursday, March 21, at 10 a.m. Discover what options are available, factors to consider and questions to ask about housing, so when the time comes you are able to make an informed decision. Presented by Oasis Senior Advisors. Register to attend by emailing the Activity Center.

SENIOR BICYCLERS

Stop by The Depot Coffee House, 9451 Excelsior Boulevard, on Tuesday, April 9, at 9 a.m. for a Bike Safety and Maintenance class presented by Tonka Cycle & Ski and the Hopkins Police Department. View the spring bike schedule at www.andersendennis.com/bike-ski.

Happenings at the Hopkins Pavilion

SIGN-UP FOR AKA SPORT CAMPS

The Pavilion is excited to host AKA Sport Camps this summer in Central Park! Kids will enjoy a new sport and ultimate field trip each week. Learn new sports and improve on specific skills, along with plenty of free play. Visit akasport.org for more information.

GET THE WIGGLES OUT AT TURF TOTS

Bring your children (ages 1-5) to the Hopkins Pavilion for Turf Tots, a drop-in program open March 4 through April 24. Kids can run and play with provided equipment including sport balls, crawl tunnels, bounce houses, hula hoops and more. Adults are required to stay on the field and supervise during the event.

New this year:

- The Depot Coffee House will be running the concessions stand providing coffee, baked goods, sandwiches and fruit.
- Fit 4 Mom Stroller Strides Classes will be held on Mondays from 10 to 11 a.m. Stroller Strides is a total body workout where mamas work through stations of cardio, strength and core with your kid in tow!

Turf Tots is open weekdays 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. and is \$5/session, per child. For more information, visit www.hopkinspavilion.com.

EMPTY BOWLS

@ Hopkins Center for the Arts
Tuesday, March 12
11 a.m.-7 p.m.

Join us for Hopkins Schools' 21st annual Empty Bowls Fundraiser for the ICA Food Shelf and ResourceWest. Choose from bowls created by local artists and students. Enjoy soup and bread with your neighbors, make a free will donation and more.



Report a Pothole

If you would like to report streets that need repair, visit the City website and click "Report a Pothole" in the Quick Links box at the bottom of the page or call Public Works at 952-939-1382.

Once your submission is received, a written service request will go to the street foreman for completion as soon as possible, usually within one week.



Upcoming at the City

City Hall Services have moved to the Hopkins Fire Station. All City Council, Board and Commission meetings will be located at the Fire Station.

City Council Calendar

Tuesday, March 5, 7:05 p.m.
Meeting

Tuesday, March 19, 7 p.m.
Meeting

Tuesday, April 2, 7:05 p.m.
Meeting

Find agendas and minutes at www.hopkinsmn.com/343/City-Council.

Boards and Commissions Calendar

Tuesday, March 5, 7 p.m.
Housing and Redevelopment Authority

Monday, March 25, 6:30 p.m.
Park Board

Tuesday, March 26, 6:30 p.m.
Planning and Zoning Commission

Tuesday, April 2, 7 p.m.
Housing and Redevelopment Authority

Find agendas and minutes at www.hopkinsmn.com/346/Boards-Commissions.

Meeting Broadcasts

Meetings will not be broadcast while City Hall is being renovated.

Elected Officials

Mayor
Molly Cummings

City Council
Jason Gadd Kristi Halverson
Brian Hunke Aaron Kuznia

SNOWING IN HOPKINS?

Call the Snow Line at 952-939-1399 for snow emergency information.

You can also sign-up to receive snow emergency notifications on your mobile phone at www.hopkinsmn.com/255/Emergency-Notification-System.

Check Your Water Before Doing Laundry

Depending on where you live in Hopkins, hydrant flushing and sanitary sewer cleaning could affect your water color in April.

HYDRANT FLUSHING SCHEDULE

Public Works utility crews will be flushing fire hydrants throughout the community in April. Schedules may be adjusted due to weather conditions.

If you own or manage a business or townhome/apartment complex, please arrange for your private hydrants to be flushed by a contractor during the same time frame that the City is flushing in your area.



- **April 8–12**
Hydrants north of Excelsior Boulevard and west of Highway 169
- **April 15–19**
Hydrants south of Excelsior Boulevard and west of Highway 169
- **April 22–26**
Hydrants east of Highway 169

During hydrant flushing it is normal to experience some discolored water. **Residents are cautioned against doing laundry—particularly whites—while crews are in the neighborhood.** This water is safe to drink and can be cleared up by running the cold water in your laundry tub.

If you experience problems, please contact Public Works at 952-548-6373.

Take Note: Garbage and Recycling Schedule

Garbage collection will take place every week on normal pick-up days.

Recycling will be collected the weeks of March 4-7 and March 18-21.

Upcoming Concerts and Exhibits

AT THE HOPKINS CENTER FOR THE ARTS

Los Lonely Boys Concert

Saturday, March 9, 8 p.m.

(7 p.m. social hour)

Brothers Henry, Jojo and Ringo Garza rode their bluesy “Texican rock” sound from San Angelo, Texas to worldwide fame. Their sound combines elements of rock and roll, Texas blues, country and Tejano. Tickets: Members: \$47, Non-Members: \$52.

Rodney Crowell Concert

Saturday, March 23, 8 p.m.

(7 p.m. social hour)

Rodney Crowell has written 15 #1 songs on the country music charts and has won two Grammys. Throughout his career he has also won six American Music Awards and is a member of the Nashville Songwriters Hall of Fame. Tickets: Members \$37, Non-Members: \$42.

For concert tickets, call 952-979-1111 or visit www.HopkinsArtsCenter.com. Discounts available for students, those age 60 and over, and Hopkins residents.

Art Exhibit Opening Receptions

Thursday, March 28, 6 to 8 p.m. (Exhibits run March 28 through May 12)

- **“The Earth is Broken, The Earth is Whole,”** Redepenning Gallery
By Forrest Lesch-Middelton, Arash Shirinbab, Nooshin Hakim Javadi, Pedram Baldari
The exhibition will feature a variety of art that will explore cultural and political exchanges between Middle Eastern and Western interpretations of our cultures.
- **“Nature Up Close,”** Lobby Gallery, First Floor
By James Burpee
James Burpee’s hope is that the paintings show the quality of finding the extraordinary in what could be seen as ordinary.
- **“Beautifully Broken,”** Lobby Gallery, Second Floor
Works by the Minnesota Mosaic Guild.

Exhibits and opening receptions are free and open to the public. For more information, visit www.hopkinsartscenter.com/223/Exhibitions.