



Hopkins Highlights **November 2009**

Bridge Construction To Begin Over Nine Mile Creek At 5th Street S

As part of the Nine Mile Creek restoration project this winter, the metal culverts under 5th Street S at Nine Mile Creek (west of 11th Ave S) will be replaced with a concrete bridge. The new bridge will allow the creek to pass cleanly under 5th Street S without any waterway obstructions. The construction will also allow for the repair and upgrade of the water main in that area.

Construction is expected to begin after November 15 and conclude in March 2010. For most of this construction time 5th Street S will be closed at the creek. The detour route will be north to Excelsior Boulevard via 11th Avenue S or Shady Oak Road.

Questions? Contact City Engineer John Bradford at 952-548-6356. 🍷

Yard Waste Drop Off/Pick Up

Yard Waste Pick Up

Free curbside pick up of yard waste bags in neighborhoods eligible for free pick up ends Friday, Nov 13. Yard waste bags placed on the curb after this date must have yard waste stickers on them. The last day for curbside pick up will be Wednesday, Nov 25.

Drop Off Site

The free yard waste/brush drop off site (3100 Hopkins Crossroads) will be open Wednesdays from 1–5 pm and Saturdays from 9 am–3 pm from Nov 1–14. After Nov 14, the site will be open Saturdays only from 9 am–3 pm, weather permitting. The site will close for winter after Saturday, Nov 28.

NOVEMBER SPECIAL EVENTS

at the Hopkins Activity Center

The Hopkins Activity Center is located at 33 14th Ave N in Hopkins. Call 952-939-1333 with questions or to register.

☞ Salute To Vets

Thursday, November 12, 11:15 am
Pay tribute to our vets with a special program followed by lunch. Bring a photo of yourself or a special veteran. Color guard provided by Hopkins American Legion. All veterans eat free; others \$6.50. Call to make a reservation. Event partner: Elder Homestead.

☞ Thanksgiving Celebration

Tuesday, November 24, 11 am
Enjoy a traditional turkey dinner and pumpkin pie, door prizes, the popular pineapple turkeys and entertainment by the "Notables." Cost \$6.50. Call to make a reservation.

☞ Don't Let Osteoarthritis of the Knee Become a Pain!

Tuesday, November 10, 10 am
Learn how to effectively manage osteoarthritis knee pain, what treatment options are available, benefits of different treatments, and where to go for advice and support. Speaker: Dr. Elena Polukhin. Call to register.

☞ The Art of Seeing: Photography Class & Slide Presentation

Tuesday, November 10, 1–3pm OR Wednesday, November 11, 7–9 pm
Have fun while improving your picture taking skills. Learn the simple rules and fundamentals of composing better pictures. Instructor: Joe Sullivan, professional photographer for 20+ years. Call to register. 🍷

'Tis The Season To Avoid Getting Towed

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

The City of Hopkins can declare a snow emergency upon a two-inch snowfall. Parking restrictions remain in effect until streets are plowed curb-to-curb and parking lots and ramps are completely plowed. Snow depths are measured in Hopkins and may not coincide with the snow depths reported at the Twin Cities Airport. Snow emergencies are announced on the Hopkins Police Department's recorded snow line at 952-939-1399.

Vehicles left on the streets or in public parking lots during snow emergencies may be ticketed or towed. To avoid being towed, residents should remove vehicles from city streets and parking lots as soon as a snow emergency has been declared. If you have nowhere else to park, there are several emergency parking locations.



Snow Emergency Parking Locations—
Central Hopkins



Snow Emergency Parking Locations—
South Hopkins

- Municipal Lot 300 just south of Downtown Park on 9th Ave S
- Maetzold Field parking lot—access from 1st St N
- East of 9th Ave S and north of Westbrooke Way between 9th Ave S and Nine Mile Creek
- Far east end of 8th St S near Valley Park

Visit www.hopkinsmn.com for additional snow emergency towing information. 🍷





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Refuse & Recycling

Due to holidays, refuse and recycling pick up for Wed-Thurs, Nov 11-12 will be one day later than normal and refuse and recycling pick up for Thurs, Nov 26 will be collected on Wed, Nov 25.

November 2009

City Council Calendar

November 10, 6:30 pm
Work Session

November 17, 7:30 pm
Meeting

November 24, 6:30 pm
Work Session

December 1, 7:30 pm
Meeting

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

Boards & Commissions Calendar

November 16, 6:30 pm
Park Board

November 24, 6:30 pm
Zoning & Planning Commission

December 1, 7 pm
Housing & Redevelopment Authority

December 7, 7 pm
Human Rights Commission

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

Cable Channel 16

City Council and Zoning & Planning Commission meetings can be seen on cable channel 16 live and are replayed on:

Monday & Wednesday
7:30 pm

Thursday Sunday
2:00 pm 1:00 pm

Elected Officials

Mayor
Gene Maxwell
(952-935-5270)

City Council Bruce Rowan
Rick Brausen Cheryl Youakim
Kristi Halverson

City Offices Closed

November 11
Veterans Day Holiday

November 26-27
Thanksgiving Holiday

Hop-A-Ride Changes Ahead

The Metropolitan Council is restructuring community-based dial-a-ride transit services throughout the metropolitan area. The changes will go into effect on February 1, 2010, and a revamped, county-wide, dial-a-ride service will replace Hop-A-Ride service in Hopkins. For more information, visit www.hopkinsmn.com/transportation/dial-a-ride.php or call Nancy Anderson at 952-548-6342.

Six 2009 Community Image Award Winners Announced

Six winners have been selected by a panel of judges for the City of Hopkins Community Image Award. The award recognizes significant improvements to residences or businesses, including landscaping, accessibility, lighting, signs, or exterior improvements. The award also honors continued superior maintenance of property that exemplifies pride of ownership and contributes to a positive image of the city.

The 2009 winners in the Single Family Residential and Commercial categories are pictured below. The judges did not select a winner in the Multi-family Residential category this year. The City Council honored the winners with an award presentation at their November 4 meeting.

