

Hopkins Highlights July 2011

City Elections: Filing For Council Member, Mayor Begins August 2

On November 8, 2011, the residents of Hopkins will elect the Mayor and two Council Members. In order to be a candidate for Mayor or City Council you must file with the City Clerk. The filing period will begin at 8 am on August 2 and close at 5 pm on August 16. 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 call the City Clerk at 952-935-8474. 🍷

Arts Festival July 9-10

Saturday, July 9, 10 am–6 pm
Sunday, July 10, 10 am–5 pm

Don't miss the third annual Hopkins Arts Festival along historic Mainstreet. More at www.hopkinsartsfestival.com.

HCA Announces its 2011-12 Concert Season

Sixteen concerts featuring artists ranging from The Persuasions to Jeremy Messersmith will light up the Hopkins concert stage between October 1, 2011 and May 12, 2012. Join us for a variety of music from gypsy jazz to folk to blues and more.

The 16 shows are divided between two series. The **Saturday and Holiday Subscription Series** includes 10 concerts at 8 pm featuring local and national artists. Tickets are available by event or in budget-friendly flex packages of 3, 6, or 9 events. A second series, **Take Five Tuesdays**, is comprised of 6 events and includes a social hour with free hors d'oeuvres and cash bar at 6 pm, followed by the concert at 7 pm.

Tickets go on sale for both series on August 1. You can purchase tickets online or by calling 952-979-1111. For a complete schedule, please visit www.hopkinsartscenter.com. 🍷



From local stars like Connie Evingson and Alison Scott to Grammy award-winning artists like Joe Lovano (above) and Lee Ritenour, the HCA's 2011-2012 line-up has something for everyone.

National Night Out Is August 2

Mark your calendars for **Tuesday, August 2**, and celebrate the 28th annual National Night Out against crime and drugs.

From 5:30 to 9 pm, residents in 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 neighborhoods throughout Hopkins will be hosting

a variety of special events such as block parties, cookouts, ice cream socials, potlucks, and games. Last year, 52 neighborhoods in Hopkins registered and took part in NNO!

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 or you can contact Anne Marie Buck of the Hopkins Police Department at 952-548-6407 or by email at abuck@hopkinsmn.com before July 19.

National Night Out is designed to heighten crime and drug prevention awareness and to provide an opportunity to promote and celebrate police-community partnerships in crime prevention efforts. NNO is sponsored by the Hopkins Police Department. 🍷

The Hopkins Raspberry Festival "A Tradition Preserved" July 9–17, 2011

The 77th annual Hopkins Raspberry Festival kicks off with the **Hopkins Arts Festival** (see box) on July 9 and will include events such as **street dances**, coronation of royalty, **Family Day**, and the **Grande Day Parade** on July 17. For a complete schedule, go to www.raspberrycapital.com. A few events are highlighted below:

Senior Game Day Sunday, July 10, 3 pm @ Hopkins Activity Center

Bingo, great prizes, and buffet included. Cost is \$5 per person in advance with a Raspberry button. Call 952-939-1333 to register.

Puttin' On The Ritz Dance Tuesday, July 12, 7 pm @ Hopkins Activity Center

Raspberry Festival Senior Ambassadors Judy & Allan Johnson invite you to dance and welcome the new Senior Ambassadors for 2011-2012. All ages welcome. Enjoy the music of the Big Band Sound of Dick Macko, dancing, light supper, and dessert. Cost is \$15 per person in advance with a Raspberry Button. Registration and payment due by July 5. Call 952-939-1333.

Grande Day Parade Sunday, July 17, 1 pm Mainstreet between 5th & 17th Ave

The Hopkins Raspberry Festival Grande Day Parade is one of Minnesota's largest. The parade has hundreds of participants including marching bands, floats, visiting dignitaries and much more. Join us on Mainstreet for a day of sun and fun. 🍷





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Refuse & Recycling

Refuse and recycling pickup for the week of July 4 will take place Tuesday through Friday, July 5-8.

Recycling will also be collected July 18-21.

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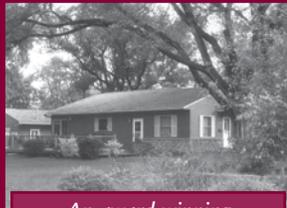
City Council Calendar

July 12, 6:30 pm
Work Session

July 19, 7:30 pm
Meeting

July 26, 6:30 pm
Work Session

August 1, 7:30 pm
(Monday)
Meeting



An award-winning residential property in 2010

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

Boards & Commissions Calendar

July 18, 6:30 pm
Park Board

July 26, 6:30 pm
Zoning & Planning Commission

August 1, 7:25 pm (Monday)
Housing & Redevelopment Authority

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

Cable Channel 16

City Council and Zoning & Planning Commission meetings can be seen on cable channel 16 live and are replayed on: Mondays and Wednesdays at 7:30 pm; Thursdays at 2 pm; and Sundays at 1 pm.

Elected Officials

Mayor
Gene Maxwell
(952-935-5270)

City Council
Rick Brausen Bruce Rowan
Kristi Halverson Cheryl Youakim

Nominations Due August 27 For Community Image Award

The City of Hopkins annually honors property owners and business owners whose pride shines through their property. The Community Image Award recognizes those who have made significant improvements to their property (including landscaping, accessibility improvements, lighting, signs, or exterior improvements) and those who have demonstrated continued, superior property maintenance. Properties that have received an award within the last 10 years are not eligible. The award has three categories: Commercial, Industrial, or Office; Multi-Family Residential; and Single Family Residential.

If you would like to nominate someone for this award, please complete a nomination form and return it by **August 27**. Forms are also available at City Hall, online at www.hopkinsmn.com/departments/planning/award/, or by calling 952-548-6341.

2011 Community Image Award Nomination Form

Address of nominated property: _____

Name of property owner(s): _____

Phone: _____

Category of property:

Commercial/Industrial/Office

Multi-Family Residential

Single Family Residential

Please describe why this property deserves a Hopkins Community Image Award. Use additional pages if necessary. Please attach any photos that you may have (including "before improvement" photos).

Nominator's name (optional): _____

Return completed form to: Economic Development, City of Hopkins, 1010 1st St S, Hopkins, MN 55343. **Nominations due August 27, 2011.**

Fight Garbage & Recycling Cart Odor

With the heat of summer in full swing, those refuse and recycle containers may start to smell. Here are a few simple tips to keep your container clean and reduce the odor.

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



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.

Police Reserves Wanted

The Hopkins Police Department is accepting applications for volunteer Police Reserves. No experience necessary. Apply by July 20 at the Police Department. More information at www.hopkinsmn.com/police or by calling the Reserves Coordinator at 952-938-8885.