

Hopkins Highlights

November
2012

Vote On Tuesday, November 6

The City Council/School Board Election will take place on Tuesday, November 6. Polls are open 7 am to 8 pm. To find out where your polling place is located, visit www.hopkinsmn.com/elections or call City Hall at 952-935-8474. 🍷

Hopkins Activity Center Program

33 14th Ave. N. Hopkins, MN 55343
activitycenter@hopkinsmn.com
Call 952-939-1333 for information

November Special Events at the Hopkins Activity Center

Salute To Vets

Program Followed by Dinner
Thurs, November 8, 10:45 am

8-hour Defensive Driving

Wed & Thurs, November 7 & 8,
6-10 pm

Thanksgiving Celebration

Thurs, November 20, 11 am

Healthy Living: Truth About Fats

Mon, November 26, 10:30 am

Diverse Concerts Highlight the Season During November and December.

Quartet San Francisco

Sat, November 17
7pm social, 8pm
concert

This ensemble is redefining the sound and definition of a string quartet.



Alison Scott

Tues, December 18
6pm social, 7pm concert
Scott's soulful sound has cut through the din of indie rock, as she performs her hits and holiday favorites.

The Peterson Family Presents A New Year Celebration

Sat, December 29
8pm concert, 10pm party
Minnesota's First Family of Music will perform jazz and holiday music from past and present. This is a fundraiser for arts programming at the Hopkins Center for the Arts.



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

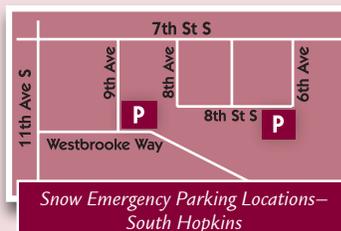
The City of Hopkins can declare a snow emergency upon a two-inch snowfall. Parking restrictions remain in effect until streets are plowed curb-to-curb and parking lots and ramps are completely plowed. Snow depths are measured in Hopkins and may not coincide with the snow depths reported at the Twin Cities 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 to park, there are emergency parking locations.**

- Municipal Lot 300 just north 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



Snow Emergency Parking Locations—
Central Hopkins



Snow Emergency Parking Locations—
South Hopkins

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

Police Department Earns International Community Policing Award

The Police Department was recently recognized with an international community policing award given by the International Association of Chiefs of Police. This award recognized the partnership the police department formed with the Hopkins School District to create Operation Recess. The program has been a success. Agencies world-wide may use it as an example of best practices for similar types of programs. Police Chief Reynolds and Police Captain Johnson recently attended the IACP conference in San Diego, CA, where they accepted the award. The police department is very proud of this award. We look for continued success with Operation Recess in the future.

The Police department is preparing for a major change over to a new records management system in December. Many members are busy preparing for the changeover and new user training classes. This system will allow sharing of information with other law enforcement agencies more efficiently. This will allow the police department to be virtually "paperless," with reports and record storage.

The Police Department as many of you know transferred dispatch services to Hennepin County on August 21st, 2012. This transition has gone very well. Sergeant Husevold continues to work with Hennepin County Personnel, when an occasional issue/procedural question comes up. 🍷

Attend the Public Hearing on the 2013 Budget

Interested in how your tax dollars are spent? Then attend the 2013 Budget Hearing on Tues, December 4th at 7:30 pm in the Council Chambers at City Hall. The 2013 budget will be presented along with the proposed 2013 tax levy. The Council set a proposed budget and levy in September and that is what will appear on the notice of proposed taxes that is mailed to every taxpayer. Staff has continued to work on the 2013 budget and will present an amended budget and final levy. This is the public's final opportunity to provide input on the budget before it's approved. All input is welcomed. 🍷



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Refuse & Recycling

Recycling collection is Nov. 5th–Nov. 8th & Nov. 19th–Nov. 21st. City offices will be closed Mon Nov. 12th in honor of Veterans' Day. Refuse pick up for the week of Nov. 12th–Nov. 16th will be one day later than usual. City offices will close Thurs Nov. 22nd & Fri Nov. 23rd for the Thanksgiving. Thurs refuse, recycle/yard waste pick up will be collected on Wed Nov. 21st. No bulk pick up this week.

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City Council Calendar

Wednesday, November 7, 7:30 pm
Meeting

Tuesday, November 13, 6:30 pm
Work Session

Tuesday, November 20, 7:30 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

November 7, 7:15 pm
Housing & Redevelopment Authority

November 19, 6:30 pm
Park Board

November 27, 6:30 pm
Special Zoning & Planning Commission Meeting

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 - 7:30 pm
Thurs - 2:00 pm & Sun - 1:00 pm

Elected Officials

Mayor
Gene Maxwell
(952-935-5270)

City Council
Molly Cummings
Jason Gadd
Kristi Halverson
Cheryl Youakim

Eight Property Owners Selected For Community Image Award

The City Council will honor the 2012 Community Image Award winners with an award presentation at their November 7 meeting. The meeting begins at 7:30 pm at Hopkins City Hall.

Eight winners have been selected by a panel of judges for the 2012 Award, which 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. Awards are given in three categories: Commercial/Industrial/Office; Multi-Family Residential; and Single Family Residential.

The 2012 Commercial /Industrial/ Office winners are Blake Antiques, 901 Mainstreet; Smith Nielsen Automotive/Transmission Shop, Inc., 302 Blake Road; and Ugorets Properties LLC, for their building at 7900 Excelsior Boulevard. In the Multi-Family Residential category the winner is Peace Valley Townhomes, 700-800 9th Av. S. and 900-1000 7th St. S. In the Single Family Residential category the winners are Sean Finnie and Karee Bohman, 337 - 12th Av. N.; Jason and Heidi Freisinger, 345 - 14th Av. N.; Dan Hoseck and Ivory Ruud, 314 Sweet Briar Lane; and Bob and Bonnie Quinn, 333 - 10th Av. N.



Commercial/Industrial/Office
Smith Nielsen Automotiv/
Transmission Inc., 901 Mainstreet S.



Multi-Family Residential
345 14th Avenue North



Commercial/Industrial/Office
Blake Antiques, 901 Mainstreet



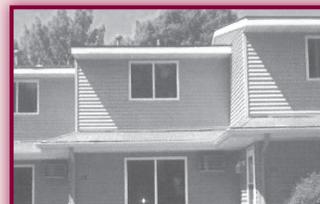
Commercial/Industrial/Office
Ugorets Properties, 7900 Excelsior



Single Family Residential
333 10th Avenue North



Single Family Residential
337 12th Avenue North



Multi-Family Residential
Peace Valley Townhomes, 700-800 9th
Ave & 900-1000 7th St. S.



Single Family Residential
314 Sweet Briar Lane



Hopkins Farmers Market

By the time you are reading this the 2012 Hopkins Farmer's Market has all wrapped up. We want to thank all our loyal customers for supporting our market over the past five months. We appreciate each and everyone of you who have come out in the extreme heat of summer and the cold mornings in October. We wish you all a very happy, safe holiday season and are looking forward to seeing you again in June 2013! Until then friends! Don't forget to like us on Facebook.

Yard Waste Pick Up

For information regarding free yard waste pick up dates, please check the website at www.hopkinsmn.com or call 952-939-1382. All curbside pick up of yard waste bags (free pick up areas and sticker bag areas) ends Wednesday, November 21st. Remember compostable bags are required. All services are subject to change or cancellation due to weather.

Yard Waste/Brush Drop Off Site

The Yard Waste and Brush Drop Off site will be open Mondays and Wednesdays from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm and Saturdays from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm through Saturday, November 24th. After November 24th the site will be closed for the season. All services are subject to change or cancellation due to weather.

Upcoming Pavilion Events

Sunday Public Skate:
Through Feb 17, 2013

Sticks & Pucks (Mon-Fri)
Through Feb 23, 2013

Winter Rec Registration Begins
Monday, Dec 23, 2012

No Open Skate Sessions On..
Nov 18, 22, 23, 25 & Dec 24, 25

