

Hopkins Highlights

June
2013



Arts Festival Returns July 13-14

Mark your calendars for the fifth annual Hopkins Arts Festival! The Hopkins Arts Festival will be held along historic Mainstreet on Saturday, July 13, and Sunday, July 14, from 10 am to 5 pm. It includes a juried art fair, musical entertainment, and creative activities that highlight the Hopkins Center for the Arts. The event is free and open to the public.

The Hopkins Arts Festival is sponsored by the Friends of the Hopkins Center for the Arts, a nonprofit corporation that raises funds to provide exhibitions, concerts and other events for people of all ages at the Hopkins Center for the Arts. Proceeds from the festival directly benefit arts programming at the Center.

Find out more at www.hopkinsartscenter.com/festival/.

Experience the Upside of Aging

Stay Active & Engaged 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.

I Have Always Wanted to Try...
Unleash your fun and adventuresome spirit
and do something you have always wanted to
try such as yoga & Nordic walking.

Gentle Yoga

Wednesday, June 12, 9 am

Gentle Yoga is a wonderful way to stretch and increase flexibility, balance and strength. Instructor Pam Rixe will lead this FREE instruction day. Call to register.

Nordic Walking

Wednesday, June 26, 12:30 pm

Members \$8; Others \$10

Nordic walking is one of the best cardiovascular workouts. Instructor Sandy Werts will demonstrate proper technique in the gym followed by an opportunity to test your new skill outside on area walking trails. Call to register.

Saving Your Body While Crafting

Monday, June 10, 10:30 am

Members free; Others \$2

Learn about problems that can develop from improper ergonomics while crafting, and ways to correct and strengthen your posture. Presented by Dr. Ashley Elmer of Avalon Chiropractic. Call to register.

Property Tax Help

Tuesday, June 18, 10 am-noon

Renter or property tax assistance will be available. Bring all tax information. No appointments. This free service provided by AARP volunteers.

City Yard Waste Pickup Service Changing this Summer

Starting June 3 through October 3, residents must call in to request yard waste bag pickup. Residents must attach a \$3 yard waste sticker to each bag, use compostable bags and call in by 2 pm on Wednesday for the Thursday pickup. Bagged yard waste is placed at the normal refuse collection site, at least 4 feet away from refuse and recycling containers. Call Public Works at 952-939-1382 to request yard waste pickup service.

A free alternative to yard waste pickup service is the city's yard waste and brush drop-off site at 3100 Hopkins Crossroads (one block north of the Hopkins Crossroads/Minnetonka Blvd intersection). The site is open Mondays & Wednesdays, 2-7pm and Saturdays, 9am-3pm. This site will be closed on Labor day. Use of this site is free to Hopkins residential refuse customers.

73% of Survey Respondents Say the Quality of Life in Hopkins is Excellent

Decision Resources conducted a random survey of 400 Hopkins' residents earlier this year. The results indicate that residents are generally very happy with life in Hopkins. A total of 97% of the residents surveyed said that the quality of life in Hopkins was good or excellent. When asked whether the City was headed in the right direction, 86% of the respondents felt that it was. There was strong support for continued redevelopment in Hopkins. Residents were very satisfied with City services. Additional information about the survey results will be posted on the City's website.

Upcoming Summer Events at Glen Lake

Golf: Junior Lessons

- June 3-12 (M/W/F) from 6-6:55 pm. Ages 8-18. \$76. Course #29109
- July 8-12 (M-F) from 4-4:55 pm. Ages 8-18. \$76. Course #29110

Golf: Short Game

- June 8 & 15 (Saturday) from 1-1:55 pm. Ages 16 and up. \$56. Course #29117

Golf: Adult Only

- June 3-12 (M/W/F) from 7-7:55 pm. Ages 16 and up. \$76. Course #29120

Kidcreate Studio

- Dinomania Art Camp: June 4-6 (T-Th), 9-11:30 am. Ages 3-6. \$90. Course #29193

- My Doll's Big Adventure Art Camp: June 18-20 (T-Th), 9-11:30 am. Ages 4-9. \$90. Course #29195
- Angry Birds and More App Art Camp: June 25-27 (T-Th), 9-11:30 am. Ages 5-12. \$90. Course #29201

Science Explorers

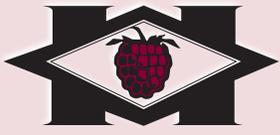
- Buggy for Bugs - June 4-6 (T-TH) from 9:30-11:30 am. Ages 3.5-6. \$57. Course #29211

For more information about the Hopkins-Minnetonka Recreation Department, program descriptions or to register, visit www.eminnetonka.com/recreation/activities.cfm.

Farmers Market Opens June 15

The 2013 Hopkins Farmers Market season kicks off this year on Saturday, June 15, 7:30 am-noon. Located just south of the clock tower on 9th, the Market is open every Saturday morning, rain or shine, through the end of October. Enjoy locally grown foods and area arts and creations. Stop by and savor the hometown flavor!





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Refuse & Recycling

Recycle collection is June 3-6 and June 17-20. Refuse will be picked up Monday through Thursday every week.



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City Council Calendar

Tuesday, June 4, 7:35 pm
Meeting

Tuesday, June 11, 6:30 pm
Work Session

Tuesday, June 18, 7 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

June 4, 7:30 pm
Housing & Redevelopment Authority

June 17, 6:30 pm
Park Board

June 25, 6:30 pm
Zoning & Planning Commission

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 pm
Thurs - 2 pm & Sun - 1 pm

Elected Officials

Mayor
Eugene Maxwell
(952-935-5270)

City Council
Molly Cummings
Jason Gadd
Kristi Halverson
Cheryl Youakim

HAZARDOUS WASTE DROP OFF

Residents can drop off their **household hazardous waste** and problem materials at the final Hennepin County collection event of the spring:



June 13-15, 9 am-4 pm
St Louis Park Junior High
(2025 Texas Ave S)

For a list of items that are accepted, visit www.hennepin.us/collectionevents.

Kevin Lynch Basketball Camp



This camp is presented by the Hopkins-Minnetonka Recreation Department, and run by former NBA and Gopher basketball player Kevin Lynch. This camp is for boys and girls who are entering grades 5-8. All skills will be focused upon, including: shooting, shot fakes, ball handling, offensive moves, footwork, drills, and more. This camp helps players improve their skills and learn to play full court games in a competitive and fun environment. The camp runs Mondays-Fridays, July 15-19, from 9 am-noon. It is located at Hopkins West Jr. High and costs \$100/person.

Check Before You Post Garage Sale Signs

If you are planning a garage sale this summer, please remember that posting signs on utility poles, light poles, traffic light poles, or stop sign poles on the public right-of-way, including boulevards and intersections, is strictly prohibited in the City of Hopkins.

City Code 800.03 states that unauthorized signs placed on public property will be removed and destroyed. Signs cannot be posted on private property without obtaining prior permission from the property owner. Residents are asked to limit themselves to two garage sales per year, with each one lasting no more than three days.



Keep signs out of the public right-of-way.

FAQ: Lawn Care In Hopkins

How high is too high for my grass?

Grass and weeds **higher than 10 inches** are considered a nuisance and the City will issue a citation. If City crews have to maintain your grass and weeds, you will be charged for the service.

When can I water?

To ensure there is enough water for all uses, including firefighting, the City enforces year-round watering restrictions. **No watering is allowed from 11 am-5 pm, and odd/even sprinkling is allowed at other times.** Homes with even-numbered addresses water on even-numbered dates; homes with odd-numbered addresses water on odd-numbered dates. Please call 952-939-1382 with any questions.

What can I do with my grass clippings?

The easiest and best way to handle grass clippings is to **leave them on the lawn**. Set your mower to a height of two to three inches. This may mean that you will mow more frequently, but you will save time by not bagging your grass clippings, and you will save money by not buying bags and purchasing stickers to have them picked up. You will also have healthier grass.

For yard waste and brush that needs to go, curbside pick up options and a free drop off site are available. Visit www.hopkinsmn.com/home/yard/waste/index.php for more information.

Permit Required For Alcohol In City Parks

Beer and wine in non-glass containers are allowed with a permit in Downtown, Central, Valley, and Burnes parks. Alcohol use in all other City parks is strictly prohibited.

Residents interested in obtaining an alcohol permit for a picnic shelter reservation should contact Recreation Services at 952-939-8203. For an alcohol permit not affiliated with a picnic shelter, call Hopkins City Hall at 952-935-8474. Permits are \$25 per requested date.



Refuse/Recycling Cart Reminder

Please keep carts out of the streets and alleys. If your carts are picked up curbside they should be placed on the boulevard. Carts picked up in alley areas should be placed so they do not protrude into the alley. It is important that these public rights-of-way remain unobstructed for traffic flow and maintenance vehicles.