

Hopkins Highlights

November
2014

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Here Comes The Snow...Don't Get Towed!

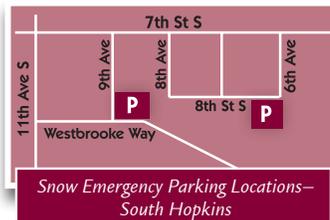
Call the Snow Line, 952-939-1399, for snow emergency declarations

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 City of Hopkins 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

The City may also notify residents using an emergency notification system called "Code Red." This system calls each resident to notify them that a city-wide snow emergency has been declared. To register your cellphone number or learn more about "Code Red," go to the City's website at www.hopkinsmn.com and type "Code Red" in the search box, or call 952-548-6451. 🍷



Experience the
UPSIDE of AGING

Stay Active 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.

Defensive Driving 4-Hour Refresher Course

Monday, November 10, noon–4 pm
Wednesday, December 3, 6–10 pm

Members \$18; others \$21

People (age 55+) can maintain the 10%, 3-year auto insurance discount. Pre-requisite: 8 hour class. Call to register.

Caregivers Support Group

Tuesday, November 18, 9:30 am

For caregivers and family members of those needing additional assistance living at home. Co-sponsored by Open Circle Adult Day Center and Touching Hearts at Home.

Thanksgiving Celebration

Tuesday, November 18, 11 am

Members \$8; others \$9

Enjoy a traditional turkey dinner and pumpkin pie, door prizes, the popular pineapple turkeys and entertainment of "BandanAhhh!"—a trio of talented, versatile musicians and entertainers. Call for reservations. Event partner: St. Gabriel Council of Catholic Women.

Volunteer Opportunities

The Hopkins Activity Center is seeking volunteers to assist "seasoned" adults in the following technology areas: Pinterest, Twitter, Tablets (iPad, Kindle or Nook) and Instagram. Have fun sharing your knowledge with an enthusiastic group of learners. The Computer Lab is equipped with 4 PCs, and internet and Wi-Fi are available. Days and times are flexible. Call 952-939-1333 or visit www.hopkinsvolunteers.org.

Quilt Drawing

Win a handmade "Grandmother's Flower Garden" full-size quilt. Tickets: \$2 or 3 for \$5. Purchase tickets at the Hopkins Activity Center office window. Drawing to be held on December 31, 2014.

Attend The Public Meeting On The 2015 Budget

Interested in how your tax dollars are spent? Then attend the 2015 Budget Hearing on Tuesday, December 2, at 7:30 pm in the Council Chambers at City Hall. The 2015 budget will be presented along with the proposed 2015 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 2015 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. 🍷

Old Fashioned Holiday In Hopkins

Brought to you by the Hopkins Business & Civic Association

Saturday, November 29 | Noon–3 pm

There will be fun for everyone!

- Hot chocolate
- Caroling by Choral Reflections
- Meet Santa
- See Santa's reindeer
- Gingerbread house contest
- Enjoy story time
- Horse drawn wagon rides
- Win prizes at the snowball drop

Make sure you stay in Hopkins and look for shopping and restaurant specials from 3–5 pm.



For more information, visit www.thinkhopkins.com/old-fashioned-holiday. 🍷



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Upcoming Meetings

City Council Calendar

Monday, November 10, 6:30 pm
Work Session

Tuesday, November 18, 7 pm
Meeting

Tuesday, December 2, 7 pm
Meeting

Agendas and minutes can be found at www.hopkinsmn.com/council/meetings/. Watch City Council meetings live: www.hopkinsmn.com/council/video/.

Boards and Commissions Calendar

Monday, November 17, 6:30 pm
Park Board

Tuesday, November 25, 6:30 pm
Zoning and Planning Commission

Tuesday, December 2, 7 pm
Housing and Redevelopment Authority

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

Cable Channel 16

City Council and Zoning and 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 and Sun - 1 pm

Elected Officials

Mayor
Eugene Maxwell
(952-935-5270)

City Council
Molly Cummings
Jason Gadd
Kristi Halverson
Cheryl Youakim

Pavilion Play Place

Now through
February 25, 2015

Monday-Friday, 9
am-10:30 am and
10:30 am-noon. Play
Place is a drop-in free-
play program for children

5 and under. Kids can play with equipment provided by the Hopkins Pavilion. \$3 per child (9months-5 years). For more information, or to register, go to www.hopkinsmn.com/pavilion/play-place.php.



Pints And Paints

Sponsored by the Hopkins Center for the Arts
November 17, 7-9:30 pm

LTD Brewing, 725 Mainstreet, Hopkins

Art class is always best with a beer! Enjoy informal art making under the guidance of Heather Renaux (Hopkins resident and professional artist/illustrator) while sampling LTD's brews. To register, please contact Jo Clare Hartsig at 952-979-1107 or jchartsig@hopkinsmn.com. There is a \$30 registration fee that covers art supplies and snacks. 🍷

From Brass To Broadway At The Hopkins Center For The Arts

Boston Brass

Saturday, November 8
7 pm Social Hour | 8 pm Concert

Virtuosic brass ensemble explores the best from the concert hall to the jazz club to the big screen.

The Broadway Boys Holiday Show

Saturday, December 13
7 pm Social Hour | 8 pm Concert

Six of the hottest young male voices on Broadway present new arrangements of holiday tunes.

Tickets on sale now: Call 952-979-1111 or visit www.HopkinsArtsCenter.com 🍷



Free Leaf And Yard Waste Pick Up

Bellgrove, Hobby Acres, Park Ridge and Interlachen Park Residents

The City provides FREE street leaf and yard waste pick up in your area using front-end loaders and dump trucks. Pick up in these areas will be November 3-November 6.

Refer to schedule below for your neighborhood's pick up day:

- **Bellgrove:** Monday, November 3
- **Interlachen Park:** Tuesday, November 4 (Meadowbrook Rd up to and including Maple Hill Rd)
- **Park Ridge:** Wednesday, November 5
- **Hobby Acres:** Wednesday, November 5
- **Interlachen Park:** Thursday, November 6 (Interlachen Rd to Blake Rd)

Place leaves in loose piles (no bags) in the street along the curb line. Leaves should be placed on the street no later than 7 am on your scheduled pick up day and no earlier than the day before your scheduled pick up day. There will not be free bagged yard waste pick up in these neighborhoods.

All Other City Service Area Residents

Free fall leaf/yard waste bag pick-up will be from October 27-November 20, collected the same day as your refuse day. No call-in is required during this time. All services are subject to change 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 pm-5 pm and Saturdays from 9 am-3 pm through Saturday, November 29. After November 29, the site will be closed for the season. All services are subject to change or cancellation due to weather. 🍷

Refuse and Recycling

Recycle collection is November 3-6 and 17-20. City offices will be closed Tuesday, November 11, in honor of Veterans Day. Refuse pick up for Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday will be one day later than normal.

City offices will be closed Thursday, November 27, and Friday, November 28, for the Thanksgiving day holiday. Thursday refuse and yard waste pick up will be collected **one day early**, on Wednesday, November 26. There will be no bulk pick up this week.

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Buy Local

For the Holidays...

find unique gifts at local shops, use local caterers and restaurants for your get-togethers, donate or volunteer your time with family and friends at a local non-profit and join your local community by attending local holiday events, including the upcoming Old Fashioned Holiday in Hopkins event on November 29. 🍷

