



# Hopkins Highlights

September  
2006

## Get Rid Of Your Unwanted Items

### Curbside Bulk Pick Up

Curbside bulk pick up is available on Thursdays for Hopkins refuse customers in the City service area. Residents must call 952-939-1382 by 2 pm on Wednesday to schedule a Thursday pick up.

**Cost:** \$25.00 per bulk item / \$25.00 per  $\frac{3}{4}$  cubic yard of loose volume material (All charges are subject to SCORE tax and Hennepin County Solid Waste Management Fee.)

- Material must fit into a rear load refuse truck or one-ton truck.
- Material must be easily transported by two people.
- Bag or box small items. Bags or boxes should not exceed 35 pounds.
- Maximum item size is 4'x6'. Carpet must be cut into rolls 3' or less in length and 1' in diameter.
- Place items at your normal refuse collection site.
- Items must be placed at least 4' away from your refuse & recycling container.
- Includes appliances, furniture, sofas, stuffed chairs, mattresses, box springs, and carpet.
- Concrete pieces should not exceed a weight of 35 pounds.
- Construction materials should not exceed  $\frac{3}{4}$  cubic yard with a maximum size of 4' by 6'.

### Items NOT accepted in the Bulk Item Pick Up or Drop Off

- Tires
- Car Batteries
- Fluorescent Bulbs
- Metal Barrels or Drums
- Car Parts
- Gas Refrigerators
- Hazardous Waste
- Paint Products
- Waste Oil
- Junk Cars
- Treated Lumber
- Concrete over 35 pounds
- Landscape Timbers
- Electronics

### Bulk Item Drop Off

**When:** October 5 & 6, 3-7 pm and October 7, 9 am-4 pm

**Where:** 1414 7<sup>th</sup> St S (old landfill site)

Drop off is available for Hopkins refuse customers in the City service area. A valid Minnesota Driver's License, Minnesota ID, or current paid utility bill must be shown to prove eligibility.

- \$20 fee for each recyclable appliance. Fees will not be collected the day of drop off but will be reflected on your utility bill. All other bulk items are free.
- Maximum 3 cubic yards (one pick-up truck load) per household.
- Residents must separate recyclable materials into the proper areas at the site.
- Most of the lumber, appliances, and metal materials will be separated and recycled.
- Small engines and lawn mowers must have wheels and fluids removed. Caps, drain plugs, and wheels must also be removed prior to taking them to the drop off site.
- Electronics and concrete products (with no iron) are accepted at the drop off site.

Hazardous wastes must be taken to Hennepin County hazardous waste drop off sites. Call Hennepin County at 612-348-3777 for more information. 🍷

## Free Brush & Yard Waste Drop Off

Free brush and yard waste drop off is currently available through December 2 (weather permitting) at the brush/yard waste drop off site at **3100 Hopkins Crossroads** (west side of Co Rd 73, approximately two blocks north of the Co Rd 5 intersection).

### Unacceptable Yard Waste

- Garden Products (please place unused garden products in your regular refuse container)
- Vines
- Sod Waste
- Animal Feces
- Logs or Lumber
- Dirt 🍷

## Former Minnesota Governor To Speak At Hopkins Activity Center



Al Quie, governor of Minnesota between 1979 and 1983, will be speaking on September 25 at 11:30 am at the Hopkins Activity Center. Quie will show slides and discuss his book, *Riding the Divide*, which chronicles his

3,000-mile ride, by horseback, along the Continental Divide. He will also tell about his relationships with people, reminisce about his 26 years in public office, and share about his faith. There will be an opportunity for questions, and also a chance for him to autograph and personalize copies of his book.

Pre-register by Thursday, September 21. Cost: \$3, includes a bag lunch. Please call 952-939-1333 to make your reservation. 🍷

## FREE BRUSH PICK UP

There will be free curbside brush pick up on Tuesday, September 12. *This will be the only free pick-up this fall.* Call **952-939-1382** by 2 pm September 11 to schedule your pick up.

## Hopkins Activity Center

33 14th Avenue North  
952-939-1333  
952-939-1342 (Fax)  
[activitycenter@hopkinsmn.com](mailto:activitycenter@hopkinsmn.com)

The Hopkins Activity Center is available for use by residents. The facility has a gym, meeting rooms, and a kitchen. Call them when planning your next meeting, neighborhood get-together, or sports activity practice. Applications for usage and facility use guidelines are available through the Activity Center or on the web at [www.hopkinsmn.com](http://www.hopkinsmn.com). 🍷



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## Refuse & Recycling

Recycling collection is September 5-8 (due to Labor Day), 18-21, and October 2-5.

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## September 2006

### City Council Calendar

September 19, 7:30 pm

Meeting

September 20, 6:30 pm

Joint Meeting with Minnetonka City Council (in Minnetonka)

September 26, 6:30 pm

Work Session

October 3, 7:30 pm

Meeting

Agendas and minutes can be found at [www.hopkinsmn.com/cityhall/citycouncil/](http://www.hopkinsmn.com/cityhall/citycouncil/).

### Boards & Commissions Calendar

September 11, 7:00 pm

Human Rights Commission

September 18, 6:30 pm

Park Board

October 3, 6:30 pm

Housing & Redevelopment Authority

Agendas and minutes can be found at [www.hopkinsmn.com/cityhall/boards/](http://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

Kristi Halverson ■ Bruce Rowan  
Jay Thompson ■ Cheryl Youakim

### City Office Closed

Monday, September 4  
Labor Day

## We Want To Know...

### How do you feel about Hopkins?

Go to [www.hopkinsmn.com](http://www.hopkinsmn.com) to fill out an online survey, brought to you by the City of Hopkins and the Hopkins Business & Civic Association. The results will be used to develop a branding and marketing plan for our incredible city! 🍷

## Community Image Award

The City of Hopkins will again honor property owners, individuals, and business owners whose pride shines through their property. The Community Image Award recognizes those people who have made significant improvements to their property; including landscaping, accessibility improvements, lighting, signs, or exterior improvements. The award also honors those who have demonstrated continued superior maintenance of their property. The award has three categories:

- Commercial, industrial, or office
- Multi-family residential
- Single family residential

If you would like to nominate someone for this award, please complete a nomination form and return it by **September 29** to Economic Development, City of Hopkins, 1010 1st St S, Hopkins, MN 55343. Nomination forms are also available at City Hall, online at [www.hopkinsmn.com/housing/communityimageaward.html](http://www.hopkinsmn.com/housing/communityimageaward.html), or by calling 952-548-6343. 🍷

### 2006 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.

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Nominator's name (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

Return completed form to:  
Economic Development  
City of Hopkins  
1010 1st St S  
Hopkins, MN 55343

**Nominations due September 29, 2006**