



## ALWAYS Report Your Power Outage

If your power goes out, you should never assume that someone else will call it in. While that might be true in some cases, there are other times where an isolated outage is the problem. In the event that your service is interrupted, the first thing you should do is check your fuses or breakers to make sure the problem is not your own. Next, check to see if your neighbors have power. This gives the line crews an idea of the extent of the outage.

**You can report a power outage anytime, day or night, by calling 715-372-4047.** This is our designated outage line. If you call our regular office number to report an outage, you will need to press option 1 so your call can be transferred. If you have information about the cause of the outage (tree limb, broken pole, etc.) please tell the dispatcher as this can help speed the restoration of service. Please be patient! Your service will be restored as soon as possible. Line outages will be repaired first, then individual services will be next.



### REMINDER:

#### Summer Load Management Season is Here

The Summer Load Management season is in full swing. The season began May 1 and extends through October 31. The Summer Full Load Control strategy targets the months of June, July, and August. If you have any questions or concerns or are curious what load management is, please check out our website.

## FROM A MEMBER...

THANK YOU  
for a few things:

- Consistent service throughout our 3 years here in Bayfield County;
- Consistent repairs in the recoveries from storms and weather events;
- Safe practices through these pandemic times.

Notes like this just make our day!  
**Thank YOU!**





# IMPROVING YOUR YARD?

## Know what's above and below before you start

**W**hen the temperatures begin to warm, many of us begin planning improvements to our outdoor spaces. This could include building a deck, adding a patio or firepit, or assembling play equipment for your family to enjoy. However, it is important to plan for safety prior to adding an outdoor structure or improving your yard.

### Power Line Awareness

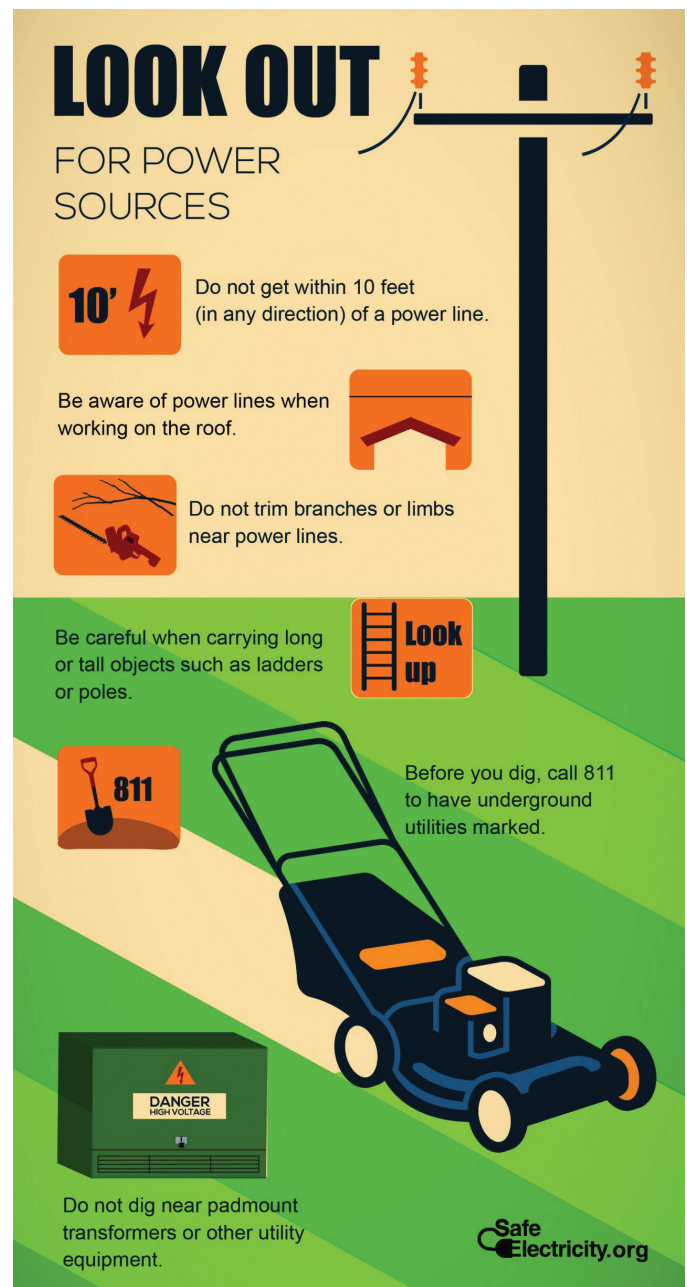
Being aware of power line locations near your home is vitally important for your and your family's safety. Even drop-down lines—the lines that bring power to your home—have voltages running through them and can be dangerous. Always look up and around for power lines before starting any outdoor project. Also know what's below before starting any digging job.

Bayfield Electric Cooperative and Safe Electricity offer these tips to keep in mind while working in your yard:

- Assume that all power lines are always energized and keep at least 10 feet between a power line and you or any item you are holding.
- Call 8-1-1 to mark underground utilities as part of planning and before any digging. Plus, this service is free.
- Once underground utilities are marked, the 8-1-1 "Call Before You Dig" service recommends that the area within 18 to 24 inches of either side of the marked lines be dug by hand with a fiberglass shovel, not by machine.
- Do not install tree houses, playsets or swing sets, pools or decks and any associated structures within 25 feet of a power line. Consider the height and reach of play equipment (including the arc of a swing) and all deck and pool structures in relation to power lines.
- Educate your children about power line safety and how electricity can jump. Teach them to never touch a power line or get too close to one, either directly or with a toy or object, before sending them outside to play. This is especially important if they climb trees, fly kites, or use remote control devices like an airplane or drone.
- Use caution when moving ladders and operating long-handled tools around trees and power lines.
- Also use caution and look up and around for power lines when you are elevated, whether it be on a ladder, boom lift, scaffolding, or your roof.

- When planting and trimming trees, keep in mind that specialized tree trimming experts certified by OSHA in utility clearance are the only people legally allowed to trim within 10 feet of power lines.

Our top priority is always safety!







# BLUEBERRY Festival™

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The Iron River Lions Club is committed to providing a safe and healthy event while following all local and state guidelines. During the COVID-19 pandemic we are implementing extra precautions which will require full cooperation of our guests, volunteers, and club members.

**WE APPRECIATE YOUR KIND ASSISTANCE IN WEARING A MASK AND KEEPING SOCIAL DISTANCING AS RECOMMENDED.**

**SEATING IS LIMITED. PLEASE BRING LAWN CHAIRS.**

## SATURDAY - JULY 24<sup>th</sup> 2021

*All events held at Moon Lake Park unless noted differently*

- 8:30 am Registration for the Jack & Irene Nelson Peddle Tractor Pull. Separate Pulls for Boys and Girls Ages 4-13
- 9:00 **Jack & Irene Nelson Peddle Tractor Pull.** 1st-3rd Trophies Awarded. Qualifies for State Competition.
- 10:00 Rides, concessions, arts, crafts, games, raffle tickets, blueberry pies
- 11:00 Lions Grill & Beer Tent Open - Featuring blueberry brats, hot dogs, **Pizza Parlor Pizza**, and more.
- 1pm-3:30 Registration for the Pie Eating Contest
- 2:00 **\*Pie Eating Contest**
- 1:00-4:00 **Music by Brian and The Boys**
- 4:30 **Music by Slamming Doors**
- 7:00 Coronation of the Blueberry Queen and Princess
- 7:30-10:30 **Music by Crescent Moon**
- 9:45 **Pyromusical Fireworks** by Event Specialties

### \*Pie Eating Contest

Gender/Age	Register By	Contest
Girls 12 & under	1:30	2:00
Boys 12 & under	2:30	3:00
All over age 12	3:30	4:00

**- Chicken Dinner -  
Sunday 11am**

## SUNDAY - JULY 25<sup>th</sup> 2021

- 10:00 am **Polka Mass** followed by the *Singing Slovenes*
- 11:00 Rides, concessions, arts, crafts, beer, games, raffle tickets, blueberry pies
- 11:00 Parade Registration - Meet at Franklin Street and Hwy H (Enter on East Mill or Hanes Road)
- 11:00 Lions Grill - Featuring blueberry brats, hot dogs, **Pizza Parlor Pizza**, and more.
- 12:15 pm **Parade** - Downtown Iron River on Franklin Street, Main Street, and Pine Street
- 1:15-4:00 **Iron River's Got Talent - Community Talent Show**
- Monetary donations appreciated for Rural Care & Share Food Shelf
- 4:00 **Swuggling by Bob Evans** - 2021 Guinness World Record Attempt
- 4:00 Registration for Cardboard Boat Races on Moon Lake Beach - See [www.irlions.com](http://www.irlions.com) for rules
- 4:30 **Ernie Pittsley Memorial Cardboard Boat Races**
- 5:00-8:00 **Music by Lake City Smokin' Section**
- 7:00 **Raffle Ticket Grand Prize Drawing \$6,000 Total Cash Prizes**
- 8:00 Festival Ends

**FOR SAFETY REASONS**  
NO dogs/pets, bicycles,  
skates, skateboards  
or ATVs are allowed.  
No carry-ins allowed.



# LOVE THE OUTDOORS?

## BE **SAFE** OUT THERE



**$\frac{2}{3}$**  of lightning fatalities are associated with outdoor **recreational activities**.



Pay attention to weather forecasts **before you go canoeing or boating**. Get off the open water as soon as you **hear thunder**.



**Do not use generators in enclosed areas.** The same goes for grills, camping stoves or other small appliances that produce carbon monoxide.



**Look up** for power lines while fishing or sailing.

**FACT: Fishing is the most common outdoor activity associated with lightning-related deaths.**



### Going for a hike?

If you hear thunder or see lightning, **do not seek shelter under a tree.**



**Tent camping?** Plan ahead, seek shelter in a hard-top vehicle or four-sided building during a storm or at the first sight of lightning.

**Safe Electricity.org**



## MONTH OF MAY

Billing date: July 9, 2021

May usage

Bills due upon receipt:  
July 29, 2021

Disconnect day:  
July 14, 2021

## Energy Efficiency Tip of the Month

During summer months, run large appliances that emit heat (like clothes dryers and dishwashers) during the evening when it's cooler. This will minimize indoor heat during the day when outdoor temperatures are cooler.



Source: [www.energy.gov](http://www.energy.gov)

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