



ATTENTION BAYFIELD ELECTRIC CO-OP MEMBERS!



The board and key staff from your co-op created a strategic plan to help guide actions for the next 3 years. One of the five main goals in this plan was to “enhance member communication and relationships.” We would like your input on how to best meet this goal.

- What is important for you to know about your co-op?
- What things does the co-op communicate well with you?
- How can we communicate better?
- What are the best means for us to use to communicate with you?

Our primary options in terms of means are the monthly co-op magazine, Bayfield Electric’s website, bill inserts, emails, texts, and presentations at the annual meeting. At this time, we’re choosing not to use social media.

Any thoughts on how we can enhance our connection with you, our owner-members, would be most appreciated. If you have any suggestions/questions/comments on member communications, please convey them to: ebill@bayfielddelctric.com or call the office at (715) 372-4287.

Thank you!



BAYFIELD ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE ANNUAL MEETING

Monday, May 19

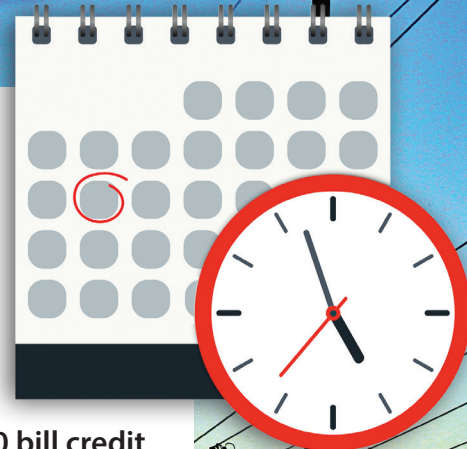
**Ashland High School,
Ashland, WI**

**Registration starting at 5:30 p.m.
Meeting starting at 6 p.m.**

Members who attend in person will receive a \$20 bill credit

Parking will be limited due to other hosted events.

Event subject to change. Check our website, www.bayfielddelctric.com, for updates.



YOUTH LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

July 15-17 | UW-Stout

CALLING ALL HIGH-SCHOOLERS

Who: Area high school sophomores, juniors and seniors

When: July 15-17, 2025

Where: UW-Stout campus

Price to you: FREE



Youth Leadership Conference is an annual event hosted by the Wisconsin Electric Cooperative Association (WECA) and Wisconsin electric cooperatives. The event engages high school students in activities that emphasize team building, cooperative business knowledge, life skills, and leadership skills. YLC is a great opportunity for students to learn more about cooperatives while building strong leadership and interpersonal skills. Past attendees have found it motivating, educational and, of course, fun! Attending YLC also allows you to be eligible to attend the National Youth Tour in Washington, DC, the next year.

The applicant's parent(s)/legal guardian must be an active member of the Cooperative. The applicant must be a sophomore, junior or senior at one of the following area high schools in the Cooperative's service territory:

Ashland High School
Bayfield High School
Drummond High School

Hurley High School
Mellen High School
Mercer High School

Northwestern High School
South Shore High School
Washburn High School

**Sign up today! For more information and registration materials, please contact our office.
All registrations must be submitted by June 27th, 2025.**



FOR AS LITTLE AS \$0.65 A MONTH YOU CAN SUPPORT RENEWABLE ENERGY



If you are interested in protecting our environment and getting more of your electricity from renewable resources, Bayfield Electric has the program for you.

Evergreen is a voluntary renewable energy (green power) program available through Bayfield Electric.

Evergreen is for you if you are willing to pay a little bit more to get some or all of your electricity from renewable energy resources. In addition to your normal monthly electric bill, you pay a small additional charge each month to offset the additional cost it takes to support renewable energy.

Evergreen comes from solar, wind, and waste-to-energy renewable resources.

Your participation in *Evergreen* enables Bayfield Electric to secure additional renewable energy resources above and beyond government requirements. **For more information about Evergreen, contact Bayfield Electric at 715-372-4287 and ask for Jake.**

STRUGGLING WITH PAYMENTS?

Let us help!

Ashland County Housing Authority is the administrator for Bayfield Electric's "Commitment to Community" program. A yearly payment can be applied to a Bayfield Electric member's electric account if the member qualifies for the Wisconsin Home Energy Assistance Program (WHEAP) and meets the requirements for the Ashland County Housing program. To see if you may qualify for energy assistance, contact your local Department of Human Services. For more information on this program, please contact Nikki at 1-800-274-8311.



ENERGY EFFICIENCY

TIP OF THE MONTH

Routine maintenance is important to keep your refrigerator running efficiently. Lint and dirt should be cleaned from the refrigerator coils every six months to a year, and more often if there are pets in the home.

When coils are coated with lint, dust or pet hair, your refrigerator works harder than it's designed to, which can prevent the appliance from cooling properly and efficiently. The additional work can increase the energy costs of the refrigerator by as much as 35% and shorten the life of the appliance.

Source: energy.gov




Memorial Day
HONORING ALL WHO SERVED

Bayfield Electric Cooperative's office will be closed Monday, May 26

MONTH OF MAY

Billing date: **May 9, 2025**

April usage

Gross due after
May 30, 2025

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