

## Are You Prepared For Storm Season?

Lightning, heavy rain and strong winds can bring tree limbs and branches down on power lines, which can cause outages.

Atlantic City Electric offers the following tips to help you be prepared:

- Assemble a storm emergency kit that contains a first aid kit, flashlights, fresh batteries, a battery-operated radio or television, emergency telephone numbers and other personal necessities.
- Have a corded landline telephone and/or a fully charged cellular phone available.
- Keep a three-day supply of bottled water and nonperishable food items on hand.
- Use surge protectors to safeguard electronic equipment.
- Be ready to evacuate special needs and elderly persons to alternate locations with power.
- Prepare a family emergency plan and review it periodically.
- Keep handy Atlantic City Electric's outage reporting number - 1-800-833-7476.

Visit [atlanticcityelectric.com](http://atlanticcityelectric.com) for more tips on storm preparation.



## Keep Your Summer Energy Bill Cooler

With hot summer weather just around the corner, it's a good time to begin thinking about how to control energy use and costs that spike during these months.

Atlantic City Electric wants to help you manage energy costs. In today's difficult economy, we realize that any increase in monthly bills can be a major concern. That's why we offer a range of programs to help you take control of rising energy costs:

- Visit "My Account" on [atlanticcityelectric.com](http://atlanticcityelectric.com). You can track your billing history, analyze household energy usage and learn ways to cut energy costs.
- Download our free brochure, *85 Ways to Save Money and Energy*, which offers low-cost and no-cost tips for controlling your energy use.

Most important, if you're having difficulty paying your bill, please call us at 1-800-642-3780. We have payment options and arrangements available that can eliminate seasonal spikes and get you back on track. We even can refer you to government assistance programs for help with payments.

# Avoid the Dangers of Lightning

Summer is the peak season for lightning. In the U.S., an average of 62 people are killed each year by lightning.

To decrease your risk of injury or death, follow some of these simple recommendations:

- If you hear thunder, even a distant rumble, immediately move to a safe place. Fully enclosed buildings provide the best protection. Sheds, picnic shelters, tents or covered porches do NOT protect you from lightning. If a sturdy building is not nearby, get into a hard-topped metal vehicle and close all the windows.
- Don't use a corded phone except in an emergency during a storm. Cordless phones and cell phones are safe to use.
- Don't take a bath or shower or use other plumbing during a storm. Water pipes conduct electricity.

Visit [atlanticcityelectric.com](http://atlanticcityelectric.com) for more summer safety tips. Learn more about lightning at [www.lightningsafety.noaa.gov](http://www.lightningsafety.noaa.gov).

## Outage Information for Life-Support Customers

As the southern New Jersey area enters the summer storm season, Atlantic City Electric urges those who depend on life-support equipment to plan for occasional power outages.

Take time now to identify a location with emergency power capabilities and make plans to go there or to a hospital during a prolonged outage.

Sign up for Atlantic City Electric's Emergency Medical Equipment Notification Program. We will notify you of scheduled outages for maintenance and warnings of severe storms. Please Note: You must have a physician certify annually that a medical need exists for program participation.

Visit [atlanticcityelectric.com](http://atlanticcityelectric.com) to download our brochure *Emergency Medical Equipment Program* or call 1-800-642-3780 to request a copy.

## Our Commitment to Environmental Sustainability

Pepco Holdings, Inc. (PHI), Atlantic City Electric's parent company, recently published *Powering a Sustainable Future - 2008*, which details the corporation's environmental stewardship and resource conservation efforts.

Among the many topics the 32-page publication features is information on the hard work by Atlantic City Electric volunteers to help restore the beautiful and ecologically important Atlantic white cedar in the Pinelands National Refuge.

The report is available online at [atlanticcityelectric.com](http://atlanticcityelectric.com).



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### IN SOUTHERN NEW JERSEY:

**Jul 2:** *Sindia Miniature Golf Tournament*; Castaway Cove, Playland, Boardwalk, Ocean City; 609-399-1801, [info@ocnjmuseum.org](mailto:info@ocnjmuseum.org)

**Jul 4:** *Fourth of July Festivities*; Alden Field, Bridgeton; [www.cityofbridgeton.com](http://www.cityofbridgeton.com).

**Jul 8:** *Kids Day at the Emlen Physick Estate*; Mid-Atlantic Center for the Arts; Cape May; 609-884-5404; [www.capemaymac.org](http://www.capemaymac.org).

**Jul 12,19,26:** *Sunday Night Concert Series*; Bridgeton Riverfront; Bridgeton; [www.cityofbridgeton.com](http://www.cityofbridgeton.com).

**Jul 17-19:** *Peace Pilgrim Birthday Celebration*; Egg Harbor City; 609-965-5681, [www.peacepilgrim100.org](http://www.peacepilgrim100.org).

**Jul 25:** *Christmas in July Crafts Show*; Emlen Physick Estate grounds, Cape May; 609-884-5404, 800-275-4278, [www.capemaymac.org](http://www.capemaymac.org).

**Jul 25:** *Delaware Bay Lighthouse Adventure*; Mid-Atlantic Center for the Arts; Cape May; 609-884-5404; [www.capemaymac.org](http://www.capemaymac.org).

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To include a future event in Lines or online, fax to: 302-283-6095, or send an e-mail to [lines@atlanticcityelectric.com](mailto:lines@atlanticcityelectric.com).

## Employees Raise Nearly \$9,000 for Babies

A group of 12 employees from Atlantic City Electric raised about \$9,000 for the March of Dimes in the recent March for Babies in Pennsville. Funds raised support prenatal and premature infant care. The company matched what the employees collected to double the original total of nearly \$4,500.



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Customer Service, Mon-Fri, 7 a.m. – 7 p.m.: (800) 642-3780  
TTY Telephone Number for Hearing Impaired: (800) 898-8056  
To Report Power Outages: (800) 833-7476