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*Everyone at Marietta Power and Water would like to thank you for giving us the opportunity to serve you. We wish you and your loved ones a holiday filled with peace, health, happiness and prosperity.*

## Holiday Lighting Safety

Twinkling lights and ornaments help capture the spirit of the holidays. Let your decorations safely shine brightly this holiday season with some simple safety tips.

- Check the intended use of any decorative lights you hang. Some lights are only for indoor or outdoor use, but not for both. Also, choose decorations that are flame resistant or flame retardant.
- Inspect lights before hanging. Check for frayed wires, cracked sockets or any loose connections. Discard any cord that is damaged, no matter how small. Each string of lights should also have the Underwriters Laboratories (UL) label.
- Change old bulbs around your house to high-efficiency LEDs. ENERGY STAR® certified LED decorative light strings use 75 percent less energy than standard incandescent lights and last up to 10 times longer and are not hot to the touch. They are also safer.



- Unplug tree lights and decorative outdoor lighting before leaving the house or going to bed.
- Don't overload outlets or extension cords. Never place cords under rugs and doors or through windows where they might be pinched or become worn. Keep cords out of water and away from metal objects. Electrical current can travel through water and metal creating an electrical hazard.
- To hook up your outdoor lighting, use a three-pronged grounded extension cord with the UL label.
- Uncoil extension cords completely before using and be sure to place them away from heat sources and bulbs.

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- Extension cords should also be UL-rated for outdoors. They are made with materials that can withstand exposure to the elements. Indoor extension cords can short out if they get wet, possibly causing damage to your outlets and lights.
- Your outdoor electrical outlets should have ground-fault circuit interrupters (GFIs) to protect the user. A GFI outlet will automatically turn off the electrical flow if there are any electrical hazards.
- When fastening indoor or outdoor light strings, be sure to avoid puncturing the cords.

For more electrical safety tips, visit [www.mariettaga.gov/759/Energy-Saving-Tips](http://www.mariettaga.gov/759/Energy-Saving-Tips) 



## Free Wood Mulch

Marietta Power and Water customers living within the service area can have wood mulch delivered to their home at no cost. For more information, call (770) 794-5244.

## Calendar

### **Sunday, February 13, 2022**

Annual Family Fancy Pants Dance

2:30 until 5 p.m.

**Custer Park Sports and Fitness Center**

#### **Schedule of Events:**

The annual Daddy-Daughter Dance is now open to the entire family. The event is open to children ages 5 to 12 years old and their fathers, mothers, or other special person in their life. The afternoon is filled with music, dancing, games and activities. Dress is semi-formal to formal.

**Event Theme:** A Night of Movie Magic! Come dressed as your favorite movie character or as you would if you were to walk the red carpet ... You might just get the chance!

**Cost:** \$30 per couple (\$5 for each additional child; \$10 for one additional adult)

**Tickets Include:** Dinner, Dessert, DJ Entertainment, Prizes and Activities

**For more information, call the Marietta Parks and Recreation Department at (770) 794-5601.**

**Marietta Power and Water will be closed on Thurs., December 23 and Fri., December 24 in celebration of the Christmas Holiday.**

**Marietta Power and Water will be closed on Fri., January 1 in celebration of the New Year.** 

For a complete list of City of Marietta events, please visit [www.mariettaga.gov](http://www.mariettaga.gov) and click on Calendar of Events.

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