



IRON RIVER LIONS CLUB

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Dear Friends,

It's time for the Iron River Lions Club Blueberry Festival! As we celebrate our 60th year of bringing the festival to the community, we invite you to join in the fun and present you with the opportunity to support the festival.

The fun begins Thursday evening, July 25, with the traditional Iron River's Got Talent and Variety Show. New this year - Friday Family Fun Night at Moon Lake Park! Games, rides, a movie, and popcorn. Wristbands for the rides will be available for \$20 - good for rides Friday evening - Sunday.

Saturday the kiddos compete in the sanctioned Pedal Tractor Pull. Who knows. You might even see a few adults giving it a try! Rides, food stands, art & craft vendors all day! Bands include Scott Bruce - Kids Hour; TrueGrass Trio + One; Low Hanging Fruit; and special musical guests, The Dweebs! Events include Pie Eating Contest; Coronation of Blueberry Festival Royalty; and Pyromusical Fireworks at dusk.

Sunday morning begins with Mass and The Singing Slovenes sponsored by St. Michael Catholic Church; Rides, food stands, art & craft vendors all day! Bands include Russ Darwin and The Rock Bottom Band and Duluth Transit Authority (DTA). Events include the Blueberry Festival Parade downtown at 12:15; Pie Eating Contest; Cardboard Boat Race; Raffle Ticket Grand Prize Drawing \$6,000 Total Cash Prizes. The complete schedule found on our website at irlions.com.

Thanks to people like you, we can maintain our tradition of creating a small-town festival atmosphere while keeping prices affordable for families. At the same time, we continue to make changes to create interest for everyone; thus, promoting Iron River, and bringing visitors and families together which also benefits local businesses.

The investment of time, money, and labor required to host an event of this magnitude has increased dramatically over the years and meeting these needs has become more and more challenging. This event is the Iron River Lions Club's primary fund raiser, and our goal is to make it as successful as possible. The proceeds from the Blueberry Festival support community needs related to Childhood Cancer, Diabetes, Disaster Relief, Environment, Humanitarian, Hunger, Vision, and Youth.

We need your help! Please review the enclosed sponsorship form. Choose your sponsorship level. You may provide partial sponsorship for events and bands. Enclose your sponsorship check in the self-addressed envelope, add a stamp, and send it off. Any size donation is appreciated. If you prefer paying online you may do so at irlions.com/donate.

Thanks for helping us carry on the tradition of the Iron River Lions Blueberry Festival - 60 years strong! Thanks for supporting your community!

Sincerely,

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