



Coleman Lions Club
August, 2009

Dear Parent,

Did you know that Coleman has had a Lions Club for almost 69 years? What do we do? We try to find ways to help in the community. We do a bi-annual road clean up on U.S. 10, and host a free community Halloween party. We also hold fundraisers so that we can donate money to local and state projects. We have given money to the Coleman food pantry, the library, the senior center, Board Scholars, Leader Dog for the Blind, Visiting Nurses, and many other organizations.

Are you aware that we give senior scholarships each spring? Your child can apply for a scholarship from us. We especially look for students who have volunteer experiences. We sponsor the STAR Leo Club, so those members get special consideration.

We are part of Lions Clubs International, the largest service organization in the world. Our parent organization has a goal to eradicate unnecessary blindness worldwide. Sight is also our concern locally. We collect used eyeglasses which are then taken by volunteering Lions to third world countries where men, women and children are fitted with "new" glasses. Coleman citizens needing glasses can apply to us for financial assistance for exams and new glasses. We also help people with hearing aids.

You may remember in past years we have had a Corvette raffle. This year, due to the economy, we are having a **cash raffle**. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5 and can be purchased at Gordon Chevrolet, Chemical Bank and the Coleman Auto & Bike Shop. The winning tickets will be drawn on September 19 here in Coleman at our new "Charter Night Banquet" to be held at the VFW Hall. Five winners will receive from \$100 to \$500.

Our **Charter Night Banquet** is another new fundraiser. We hope you will join us for a fun evening beginning at 5:30 pm. There will be a catered meal, game boards, silent and live auctions, 50/50 drawings, door prizes and, of course, the cash raffle drawing. Tickets are only \$15. Order them now so you won't miss out.

All money raised that evening will go into our charitable giving fund. Please help us continue to be able to help others and enrich our community. If you are a service minded person, perhaps you would be interested in joining our organization.

Mail to: Coleman Lions Club, P.O. Box 163, Coleman, MI 48618 or drop off at the elementary school office with Mary Jo Fachting, our club president. If money is enclosed, tickets will be mailed to you. All tickets can be purchased at Gordon Chevrolet

_____ I would like to buy _____ tickets for the Charter Night Banquet Sept. 19 for \$15 each.

_____ I would like to buy _____ raffle tickets at \$1 each or 6 for \$5.

_____ I would like more information about the Coleman Lions Club.

Name _____ Phone # _____

Address _____