

# NMLEF EYE BALL 2001

## Lions Club 'Eye Ball' benefit to be Feb. 10

Organization's annual event aids state foundation

The Ruidoso Noon Lions Club will hold its annual "Eye Ball" beginning at 6 p.m. Feb. 10 to benefit the New Mexico Lions Eye Foundation.

It will be at Casa Royale. To make reservations, call 257-7880 and send a check for \$30 per person to P.O. Box 1130, Ruidoso, N.M. 88355.

People attending the event are asked to park at the Gateway Church of Christ. Free shuttles to and from the party will be provided all evening.

Lions Club president Leo Mitchell said it will be an evening of fun, dancing and silent and live auctions with auctioneer Tim Rich.

The New Mexico Lions Eye Foundation sponsors the eye clinic van, which travels to various Lions Clubs throughout the state, offering free eye examinations to detect glaucoma and diabetes-related problems.

Lions Clubs International has a membership

of more than 1.4 million in 185 countries. Its mission is "to create and foster a spirit of understanding among all people for humanitarian needs by providing voluntary services through community involvement and international cooperation."

With a strong focus on problems of sight in addition to glaucoma and diabetes testing, the organization is involved in the training of guide dogs, providing eyeglasses and medical care for those who cannot afford them, educating the public and sponsorship of activities for youth development, individually and collectively.

The men and women of the Ruidoso Noon Lions meet each Tuesday for lunch, a speaker and a business session at the Cree Meadows Country Club.

The club said it welcomes visitors and prospective members at its meetings.