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# **Richfield Optimist Club**

**Dakota-Manitoba-Minnesota District**

**Club No. 35125**

**Serving Richfield Area Youth**

**Since 1958**

## **Rich-O-Gram**

**Club Newsletter**

**Next Meeting: Wednesday**

**April 29, 2026**

**Meeting at: 401 West 70<sup>th</sup> Street**

**Richfield Schools Boardroom**

**(North end of Richfield High School)**

**Speakers**

**AMY & GUY GRUSSING**

**2025 Optimists of The Year**

**TOM TUTTLE and  
JOHN ASHMEAD**

**Roofing, siding  
And storm season**

# Optimist Creed

Promise yourself -

- To be so strong that nothing can disturb your peace of mind.
- To talk health, Happiness & prosperity to every person you meet.
- To make all your friends feel that there is something in them.
- To look at the sunny side of everything and make your optimism come true.
- To think only of the best, work only for the best, and expect only the best.
- To be just as enthusiastic about the success of others as you are about your own.
- To forget about the mistakes of the past and press on to the greater achievements of the future.
- To wear a cheerful countenance at all times and give every living creature a smile.
- To give so much time to the improvement of yourself, you have no time to criticize others.
- To be too large for worry, too noble for anger, too strong for fear, and too happy to permit the presence of trouble.

**LAST WEEK** we heard from our member **TOM FITZHENRY** as he talked to us about his work with the MN Civil Air Patrol and their use of drones.



Tom is a Lt. Col with the Civil Air Patrol.

They use 25 drones and 23 small unmanned aerial systems (SUAS) Most of the use is for search & rescue or disaster recovery (tornado).

Drones are now being sent by Dispatch as first response units to assist with early information.

The FAA restricts where a drone may be flown. Recreational drones must be under 400 feet.

## CLUB NEWS:

Guest: Terry Kopren

Mark your calendar: **June 10 - first mtg at VFW5555**

May 23 Wings of North America - Flying Cloud airport  
4 PM tp 7PM

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## LOOKING AHEAD



**May 6 - Jeff Zaayer - Lunseth Organic Lawns**  
**May 13 - Chip Sharratt - Cooperstown Baseball**  
**May 20 - John Brecount - Home Maint Tips**  
**May 27 - Scholarship Award Program**  
**June 3 - Dr. Robert Privratsky - Posture**  
**June 10 ??**

**Semi - annual dues are payable now.**