

# ***Rich - O - Gram***

Optimist Club of Richfield, MN   Dakotas-Manitoba-Minnesota District   Club Number 35125  
Established - May 8, 1958 - Now in our 65<sup>th</sup> year of serving Richfield

**May 31, 2023**

**THIS WEEK: Wednesday May 31, 2023**

**\$6.00 Coffee and ?**

**Meeting at 7:30 AM in the Richfield District Boardroom**

**401 West 70<sup>th</sup> Street (Just East of Harriet Ave.)**

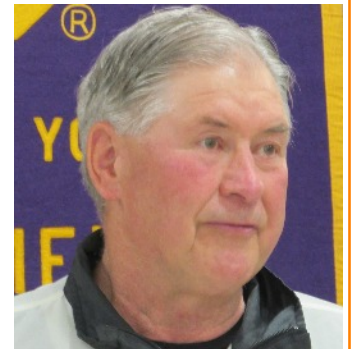
**Special Event: Presentation of Optimist Club Scholarships**

**In cooperation with the Spartan Foundation**

Last week our speaker was **Barry Becklin**, who spent many years scouting the Minnesota Vikings on behalf of the Oakland Raiders Football team. He filled this role from 1980 until 2011.

He told of the duties of a scout & the many players and coaches he got to know along the way. His seat of choice at the games was the press box, and he even got to frequently see Sid Hartman!

He eased up the last years, and scouted via radio & TV from the Blackwoods Restaurant in Two Harbors, MN.



**On May 31, 2023, our Optimist Club is pleased to award scholarships to the following Richfield Students:**

**Casey Gay**

**Nathan Gay**

**Philip Nguyen**

**Kayley Rodriguez Sanchez**



## **Avenue of Flags**

**We've set a new  
Record this Memorial  
Day - **706 flags****

Huge thanks to coordinators **David Kriesel-Koll** and **Doug Kleist** –and the many hard working Boy Scouts and Girls Scouts and their parents who place and pick up the flags every holiday. **WELL DONE !**

The graveside service for Doug Waller's wife **LuAnn Waller** will be held  
On June 23<sup>rd</sup> at Rest Haven Cemetery, 5750 Old Town Road, in Eau Claire, WI at 11:00 AM A lunch will be provided after the service at St. Matthew Lutheran Church, 1915 Hogeboom Ave., In Eau Claire, WI.  
I will send detailed information and directions to all Optimists closer to the time of the service.

**Starting next Wednesday, June 7, 2023 we will meet at Village Shores Senior Residence, 6501 Woodlake Drive, In Richfield (NW corner of 66<sup>th</sup> & Lyndale Ave.)**

**Meeting will still be from 7:30 AM until 8:30 AM in the main dining room, **to your left after entrance.****

**Breakfast will be served at 7:45 AM & have a \$6.00 cost.**

**Use the main entrance on 66<sup>th</sup> St. At Woodlake Drive Park in the large lot east of the building**

**Cashier: May 31 Mike Fogarty**

## **The Optimist Creed**

### **Promise yourself . . . .**

**To** be so strong that nothing can disturb your peace of mind.

**To** talk health, happiness and 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 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.