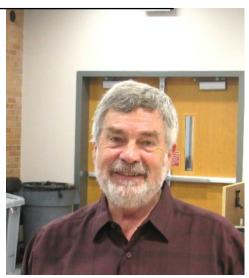
Richfield Optimist Club ----- Rich-O-Gram

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Next Meeting: Wednesday - July 17, 2024
Meeting at Richfield Public Schools Boardroom 7:30 AM - 8:30 AM
401 West 70 Street Richfield, Minnesota

This week: Business / Board Meeting

Last week we heard from **David Lapakko**,
Who told us about his entry into "**America's Greatest Thinker**" competition. Each year, the folks in New York Mills, MN hold a **THINKOFF**, where speakers debate and the audience picks the winner. Well, David Lapakko. recently retired as a professor from Augsburg College, entered and won his first contest in 2015. And entered again in 2024, but in the final round was bested by a lady from New Mexico. Contestants need to submit a 750 word essay on the topic which is announced on January 1 each year. From these entries, four are chosen to debate in June in New York Mills. A very interesting contest, and if you want more info and/or want to enter, go to thinkoff.org



David Kriesel-Koll informed us that his daughter from Fargo is doing well after needing a heart transplant that took place in Rochester, MN. DKK himself had a stent put in recently and is doing well **Keep the DKK family in your prayers!**

Pat Dale celebrated his birthday with us on the 10th, and was back from spending time in Montana before the 4th of July.

John Ashmead spent some days with his siblings out of town.