



Rotary Club of Carleton Place, District 7040, Ontario.

The Carleton Place Rotary Club meetings of September 18th & September 25th 2002

Gordon MacNabb was our greeter at the September 18th meeting. Our appalling singing was improved at this meeting because our guest, **Louise Bamtes**, who is a professional musician, accompanied us on the piano. The louder voices realised at once that the idea was to sing all the words in unison and to stop at the same time, after that, it wasn't bad at all. **Ernie Rowe** is our stand-in **Sergeant-at-Arms**.

Debbie Turner said Grace. **Kyle Creswell** gave us an update on the progress of the Tulip Project. In short, the Tulips you have sold are now ready for pickup. There is to be an effort to sell them directly to the passing public from a table set up on Saturday at the Carleton Place Mews. Those who have free time were urged to come and help.

Russ Hicks, past Governor of the District, then gave us an update on matters arising from our impending **Charter Night**. Six members of the **Watertown Club** have expressed an interest in flying up to one of our meetings – probably our Charter Night on November 22, 2002. This event will be held in the Canoe Club at an approximate cost of \$25.00 per Person attending. There will be a sit-down dinner for about 100/150 people. There will be Ceremonies: Our Mayor, Brian Costello will be made an honorary member, pins will be given to the Charter Members. The South Nepean Club has donated a bell and gavel. **Carter Montrose**, the District Governor from New York State, will present our Charter.

Our membership now stands at 24. We were actually accepted as a Charter Cub on August 15th, 2002. November 22nd will be the Ceremonial recognition of that event. We may even have a Piper.

Russ, having probably heard our singing, encouraged Louise, our Guest pianist, to be come a member.