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**Weekly Newsletter**

**September 10, 2026**

## Recap: September 3, 2026

**Speaker: George Wells, Vice-President, Producer, Tri-Town Theatre**

George Wells became involved with Tri-Town Theatre in Sidney, NY around COVID. The theater is focused on developing young actors and providing opportunities for everyone to be involved in the theater in some capacity. He discussed the current production, *Come From Away*, the story of a small town of 10,000 people in Newfoundland that provided a haven for 7,000 passengers on 38 flights stranded after the attack on 9/11. George also discussed how the theater can be a place for young people who do not want to participate in sports. Tri-Town Theatre puts on two youth and one adult production throughout the year. To learn more visit <https://www.tritowntheatre.com>. *Come From Away* has performances on September 11, 12, and the 13<sup>th</sup>. Tickets are available for purchase online.



~ Alan Sessions      photo submitted by Adam Stoutenburg

**CREATE  
LASTING  
IMPACT**

### Meeting At A Glance September 10, 2026

**Co-Presidents**  
Adam Stoutenburg  
Cindy Struckle

**Invocation**  
Lynne Sessions

**Song Leader**  
Lynne Sessions

**Finemaster**  
Dave Rowley

**Program**  
Lana Rouff  
Chair, CNY District  
Global Grants Committee  
Initiatives & Accomplishments

## Operation Warm Fundraiser: Sunday, September 13, 2026



**Operation Warm Underway: Sunday is the big day!** Raffle ticket sales have begun to raise funds for Operation Warm-an annual Oneonta Rotary project to provide brand new warm coats to children in need. The winner of the raffle receives numerous scratch off tickets and restaurant gift certificates. The drawing takes place in Neahwa Park at the Grand and Glorious Fall Fair on Saturday, September 13. To help sell tickets, contact Dave Rowley at the meeting or at [drowley61@gmail.com](mailto:drowley61@gmail.com).

## Upcoming Events and Programs

### September is Basic Education and Literacy Month

- September 10     *Lana Rouff, Chair, CNY District Global Grants Committee, Initiatives and Accomplishments*
- September 13     Oneonta Rotary Operation Warm Raffle Fundraiser, Grand and Glorious Fall Fair, Neahwa Park, Details TBA, Coordinator Dave Rowley
- September 17     *Matt Sanford, Hartwick College Pine Lake and Challenge Education*
- September 24     *Kaler Carpenter, Executive Director, Family Service Association*
- October 3         **SAVE THE DATE:** Adopt-A-Highway Roadside Cleanup, Details TBA, Coordinator Scott Davis
- October 8         *Pamela Baker Gratton, CNY District President 5 pm, no afternoon meeting, \$15/person*
- October 11        **SAVE THE DATE:** Oneonta Rotary Cornhole Tournament Fundraiser, 12:30 pm, Hartwick College, Coordinator Adam Stoutenburg
- October 31        **SAVE THE DATE:** The Halloween Parade, Details TBA

Please send calendar corrections, additions, and changes to [info@oneontarotary.org](mailto:info@oneontarotary.org)  
Send suggestions for speakers to Adam Stoutenburg at [adam.stoutenburg@casella.com](mailto:adam.stoutenburg@casella.com)

## Club Volunteer Opportunities

### Adopt-A-Highway Roadside Clean-Up

Our fall Adopt-a-Highway project on October 3rd is less than one month away. We currently have only 6 volunteers who have signed up to participate. If you are available to participate, the project will only take approximately an hour and a half of your time and we could certainly use your support. Safety gear is provided. Long pants and closed-toed shoes are highly recommended. Fun and laughter guaranteed. Contact Scott Davis if you can help. [sdavis11@stny.rr.com](mailto:sdavis11@stny.rr.com)

**Volunteers Needed for Little Free Libraries** Volunteers are needed to sign up for a month to care for our three Little Free Libraries located at each of Oneonta's elementary schools. You will visit each library several times a month, replenish the books and check for damage. Books are provided. To volunteer, contact Coordinator Kathy Leahy at the Thursday meeting or at 607-988-2713. (April and May have been scheduled.)

## Community Volunteer Opportunity: The Wall That Heals

A three-quarter scale replica of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C., bearing all 58,281 names, together with its Mobile Education Center, will visit Oneonta, NY at Neahwa Park September 24-27th. The Wall is open to the public 24 hours/day no charge. 200 volunteers are needed to staff the exhibit around the clock. To volunteer, visit [CNYremembers.com](http://CNYremembers.com) or contact Dave Rowley at [drowley61@gmail.com](mailto:drowley61@gmail.com)

## Open Club Leadership Positions

Volunteers are needed to fill two to three leadership positions in the club. The positions are listed below. If interested, please contact Cindy or Adam.

Cindy Struckle [cstruckl43@hotmail.com](mailto:cstruckl43@hotmail.com)

Adam Stoutenburg [adam.stoutenburg@casella.com](mailto:adam.stoutenburg@casella.com)

**Board Member:** The Oneonta Rotary Board of Directors is looking for an individual to fill the term held by Mike Chandler. He has relocated for work and therefore unable to serve on the board. The term is for 2026-27, and 2027-28. The board meets monthly on the first Tuesday at 7pm.

**President/Co-President:** The club is looking for a President or Co-Presidents for the 2027-28 year. A member must have served a year on the Board of Directors to serve in this role. In the past several years two people have shared the job of president and have found success sharing the duties and responsibilities.

## CNY District President Official Visit, October 8

Pamela Baker Gratton, CNY District President, will visit Oneonta on October 8. The event, which will include a chance to mingle with members from other clubs, takes place from 5-8 PM at the Elks Club. The cost is \$15/person. Reservations must be made by October 1st. To RSVP and/or to pay, contact Cindy Struckle. Payment can also be made at the door. There will not be an afternoon meeting on October 8th. Be sure to make a reservation. This is a great chance to catch up with old friends, make new friends, and learn about the initiatives and priorities for our district in the coming year.



## CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT

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**October 11, 2026**

**Hartwick College**  
**Binder Gym**  
1 Hartwick Dr Oneonta NY

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| <p><b>Bring Your Own Partner</b><br/><b>Double Elimination</b><br/><i>Backyard Division</i> (no league or tournament players)<br/><i>College Division</i> (must be a college student)<br/>\$40/Team - 50% Payout</p> | <p><b>Bring Your Own Partner</b><br/><b>Rounders, Then Double Elimination</b><br/><i>Social Division</i> \$40/team, 50% Payout<br/><i>Competitive Division</i> \$60/team, 70% Payout</p> |
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**Registration 11AM-12PM, Bags Fly at 12:30 PM**  
**Pre-Registration Encouraged, Walk Ins Welcome**

## SAVE THE DATE

**Oneonta Rotary Club  
Cornhole Tournament  
October 11, 2026**

### TO REGISTER:

**Email**  
[americanglorycornhole@gmail.com](mailto:americanglorycornhole@gmail.com)

**Facebook message**  
American glory cornhole

**Phone**  
Adam, 607-437-4676

**Online registration link at**  
[scoreholio.com](http://scoreholio.com) TBA

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**For More Information or to Register:**

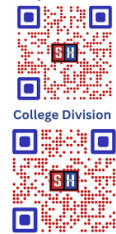
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