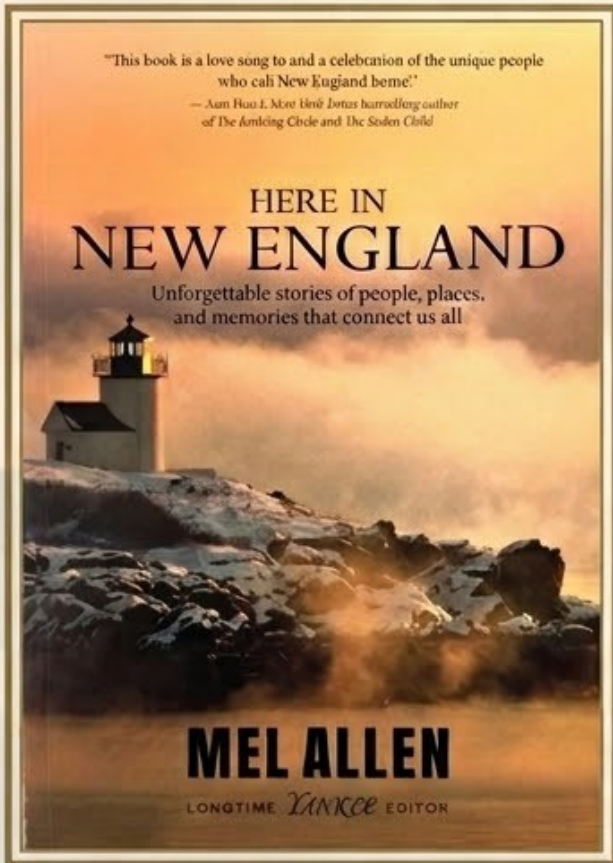




# Friends of the Library Annual Meeting

## Featuring Author Mel Allen



The Friends of the Hamilton-Wenham Public Library invite you to attend their 2026 Annual Meeting featuring author and *Yankee* Magazine editor Mel Allen!

From the time he published his first story in *Yankee* in 1979 to the day he retired as its editor in 2025, Mel Allen's writing has captured the unique essence of New England and the people who call it home. Now for the first time, Allen has collected 45 of his favorite pieces, adding intimate new introductions and postscripts to put them in context. The feel and flavor of New England lives within the covers of this engaging collection.

Join us for a timeless look at our region, the people Mel Allen met in his travels working for *Yankee* Magazine, and highlights from his new book.

The talk will run approximately 45 minutes, followed by an opportunity to purchase a copy of Allen's book and have it inscribed.

### TIME & LOCATION

Friday, May 1 | 6:30—8:30 PM



Large Meeting Room | Hamilton-Wenham Public Library  
14 Union Street, South Hamilton, MA, 01982



### PROGRAM SCHEDULE

6:30 PM - A brief business meeting of Friends members will precede the program.

7:00 PM - Guest speaker Mel Allen

This event will take place after the Library closes for the day - please enter through the Meeting Room doors - to the left of the main entrance as you look at the Library.

**No Registration Required**

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