

*I think I write fiction for the opportunity  
to get beyond the limits of my own life.*

**Wally Lamb**



*One Big*  
**Summer**  
**Night**

The Board of Directors of Hartford Public Library  
cordially invites you to

# *One Big* Summer Night

with

## Wally Lamb

at the Downtown Library  
500 Main Street  
Author Event and Silent Auction

Friday, June 26, 2009  
6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Reception, auction and jazz at 6:00 p.m.  
followed by a summer supper.

*Honorary Chairperson*

**Colin McEnroe**

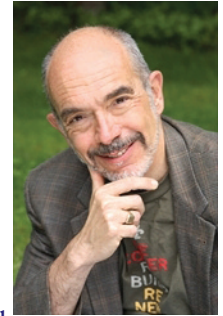
***Journalist, Writer, Radio Personality***

*Table Captains*

Susan Aller  
John Alves  
Janet L. Benedict  
Catherine Blinder  
Susan and Brian Clemow  
Chuck and Mary Coursey  
Steve and Patricia Goddard  
Nancy Macy and Bob Painter

Thea Montanez and Michael Gannon  
Elizabeth Brad Noel  
Matthew K. Poland  
David Pudlin  
Cynthia Reik and Jacquelyn Lilly  
Paul Shipman  
Tim & Gerri Sullivan

### Wally Lamb, 2009 Celebrated Author



Wally Lamb's first two novels, *She's Come Undone* (1992) and *I Know This Much Is True* (1998), were # 1 *New York Times* bestsellers, *New York Times* Notable Books of the Year, and featured titles of Oprah's Book Club. *I Know This Much Is True* was a Book of the Month Club main selection and the June 1999 featured selection of the Bertelsman Book Club, the national book club of Germany. Between them, *She's Come Undone* and *I Know This Much Is True* have been translated into eighteen languages.

Lamb is also the editor of the nonfiction anthologies *Couldn't Keep It to Myself: Testimonies from Our Imprisoned Sisters* (2003) and *I'll Fly Away* (2007), collections of autobiographical essays which evolved from a writing workshop Lamb facilitates at Connecticut's York Correctional Institute, a maximum-security prison for women. He has served as a Connecticut Department of Corrections volunteer from 1999 to the present.

Wally Lamb's third novel, *The Hour I First Believed* (2008), explores chaos theory by interfacing several generations of a fictional Connecticut family with such nonfictional American events as the Civil War, the Columbine High School shootings of 1999, the Iraq War, and Hurricane Katrina.