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The Hartford History Center at Hartford Public Library & Hartford Preservation Alliance present author talk and book signing with Ron Tanner: *From Animal House to Our House: a Love Story.*

Hartford, Connecticut (October 8, 2013)-- Award-winning writer and preservationist **Ron Tanner** will speak at **Hartford Public Library's Hartford History Center** on **Tuesday, October 15, at 6pm** and deliver his comic and heart-warming stories from the book ***From Animal House to Our House: A Love Story.***

Combining romance with history and humor, Tanner tells the true story of how he and his wife Jill bought a condemned property -- a wrecked former frat house -- and restored it to its original Victorian-era splendor.

In 2008, *THIS OLD HOUSE* magazine featured their remarkable work and Tanner's talk will include an impressive slide show documenting the restoration.

This event is free and open to the public. The program will be located in the 3rd floor **Hartford History Center** at the downtown branch of **Hartford Public Library** at 500 Main Street.

From Animal House to Our House: A Love Story begins at 6pm and will conclude with a book signing. Books will be available for purchase.

About [Hartford History Center](#)

The Hartford History Center is a special collection of books, photographs, manuscripts and ephemera relating to over 300 years of community life in Connecticut's capital city. The HHC is home to the Hartford Collection, which includes works by Mark Twain, Lydia Huntley Sigourney, Thomas Tryon, Noah Webster, Harriet Beecher Stowe, Chuck Stone and Wallace Stevens.

The Hartford History Center is located on the third floor of the Hartford Public Library at 500 Main Street and is open Tuesday-Friday 1:00pm-5:00pm.
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About [Hartford Public Library](#)

The Hartford Public Library traces its roots to 1774. It operates 10 locations and a Library-on-Wheels in the City of Hartford. The Library receives more than 833,500 visits per year. Services include access to a large collection of materials for reading and research, as well as music and video. Programs provide education, information and enrichment to the people of Hartford in such areas as citizenship training, literacy, business skills and cultural awareness. The mission of Hartford Public Library is to provide free resources that inspire reading, guide learning, and encourage individual exploration. Visit hplct.org and the library's new blog at blogs.hplct.org

About [Hartford Preservation Alliance](#)

The mission of the *Hartford Preservation Alliance* (HPA) is to advocate for the preservation and revitalization of the unique architectural heritage and neighborhood character of Hartford.
www.hartfordpreservation.org

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