

# **THE LANGUAGE OF NATURE: Imagining a Sustainable World**

**C o n f e r e n c e**

**Tuesday, Oct. 14 - Thursday, Oct. 16, 2008**

**College Of DuPage, 425 Fawell Boulevard, Glen Ellyn, IL 60137**

**All events free and open to the public! Info: 630-942-3291**

**TUESDAY, OCT. 14: SRC Building, Room 2800**

**9:30-11:00: John Price and Joel Greenberg**

**“Restoring a Kinship with the Land”**

**John Price** is the author of the memoirs *Man Killed by Pheasant and Other Kinships* and *Not Just Any Land: A Personal and Literary Journey into the American Grasslands*. He is a Professor of English at the University of Nebraska at Omaha.

**“Contested Ground: A Natural History of the Chicago Region”**

**Joel Greenberg** is the author of *A Natural History of the Chicago Region* and *Of Prairie, Woods, and Water: Two Centuries of Chicago Nature Writing*. A lawyer and naturalist, he is also the coauthor of *A Birder's Guide to the Chicago Region*.

**12:30-1:45 Donna Seaman: “The Nature of Story”**

**Donna Seaman**, a literary critic and editor for *Booklist*, reviews books for the *Chicago Tribune* and the *Los Angeles Time*. She edited *In Our Nature: Stories of Wildness*, a collection of short stories.

**7:00-8: 30 p.m. John Price and Joel Greenberg: Reading and Discussion**

**Moderator: Donna Seaman** (Book sale and signing to follow.)

**WEDNESDAY, OCT. 15: SRC Building, Room 2800**

**12:00-1:30 Suburban Sprawl: Panel Discussion**

**Lenore Beyer-Clow**, Policy Director, Open Lands

**Scott Kobol**, Ecologist, DuPage County Forest Preserve

**Patrick Thrasher**, Interpretive specialist, Midewin National Tallgrass Prairie

**2:00-3:30 Open Mike: Environmental Read-In (sign up for 5-10 minute slot)**

**THURSDAY, OCT. 16: SRC Building, Room 1450**

**7:00 p.m. “Sustainable Urbanism: Urban Design with Nature”**

**Douglas Farr**, an architect and urban designer, is the author of *Sustainable Urbanism: Urban Design with Nature*. He has served as chair of the U.S. Green Building Council's LEED for Neighborhood Development.