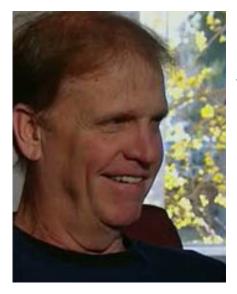
## Mountain Writers Series

## LARRY COLTON & LEANNE GRABEL



Reading
7:30 PM Wednesday
February 15, 2012
The Press Club
2621 SE Clinton
Portland



—Larry Colton is the only person to have pitched in the Major Leagues and been nominated for a Pulitzer Prize. Since baseball he has taught high school, worked for Nike, and published hundreds of magazine articles for publications such as Esquire, New York Times Magazine, Sports Illustrated and Ladies Home Journal. His book Goat Brothers was a main selection for the Book of the Month Club. His next book, Counting Coup, was the winner of the Frankfurt e-book of the year award and a Pulitzer nominee. He recently published No Ordinary Joe about four submariners from WWII, and is currently working on a book about Birmingham, Alabama in 1964. He is the founder and former executive director of two non-profit programs: Community of Writers, a non-profit program to improve writing instruction and student achievement in Oregon schools; and Wordstock, the acclaimed Portland Book Festival.

Suggested Donation \$5

— **Leanne Grabel** is a poet, a language arts teacher, and co-founder of Cafe Lena, site of Portland's longest running poetry open mike. Known for poetry-based theatrical performances and illustrated chapbooks, including *Anne Sexton Was A Sexpot* and *The Last Weekend of Sylvia Plath*, as well as her musical collaborations & poetry collections, *Lonesome & Very Quarrelsome Heroes* and *Short Poems by a Short Person*, Grabel is currently teaching fulltime in a treatment center for incarcerated teenage girls. "badgirls," a multimedia performance based on her teaching, debuted in late 2011. The chapbook of prose poems, *badgirls*, from which the show was based, was published in collaboration with the performance. Grabel's memoir *Brontosaurus* was published in November 2011.

