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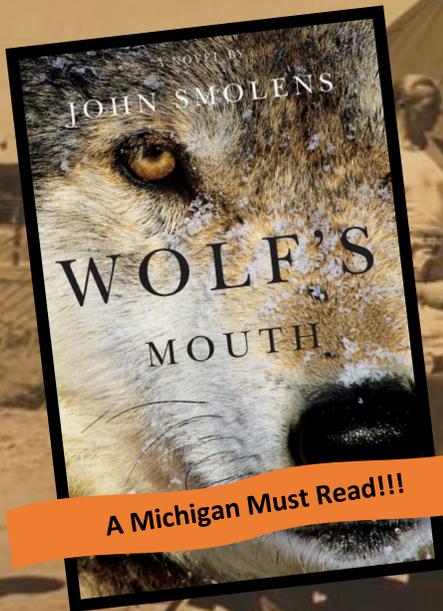
An Evening With 

# JOHN SMOLENS



In 1944, Italian officer Captain Francesco Verdi is captured and shipped to a POW camp in Michigan's U.P., where the senior POW, the ruthless Kommandant Vogel, demands that all prisoners adhere to his Nazi dictates. His life threatened, Verdi escapes from the camp and meets up with an American woman, Chiara Frangiapani, who helps him flee to the Lower Peninsula.

By 1956, they have become Frank and Claire Green, a young married couple in postwar Detroit. When an INS agent tracks them down, Frank learns that Vogel is executing men like Frank for their wartime transgressions. As a series of brutal murders rivets Detroit, Frank is caught between American justice and Nazi vengeance. In *Wolf's Mouth*, the recollections of Francesco Verdi/Frank Green give voice to the hopes, fears, and hard choices of a survivor as he strives to escape the ghosts of history.



A Michigan Must Read!!!

Wednesday 5:30-7:00pm

April 5th

Big Rapids

Community Library

426 S. Michigan Ave.

THE NEW NOVEL BY JOHN SMOLENS

## WOLF'S MOUTH

