



NEIL TURNER READER'S CLUB

Greetings!

I hope this finds everyone well. Now that *Nowhere to Hide*, the seventh Tony Valenti thriller, has been successfully pushed out of the nest and into the world, readers are already beginning to ask about the next book. Sheesh! Just kidding—I love that people are looking forward to Tony's next adventure. I'll address that question below in the *Hot Off the Press* feature, and also share some exciting publishing news. But first, a little housekeeping. I'm not sure how or why it happened, but the emails intended for new Reader's Club members were erroneously triggered for some of you last month, which was an unwelcome annoyance for all. I'm told the issue has been resolved, but please accept my apologies. Now, on to the fun stuff!

Win a Book!

Where in the Book?

Given the scorching weather in so many areas this month, let's visit the beach! This is 31st Street Beach in Chicago. In the sixth Tony Valenti novel, *The Secrets She Buried*, Brittany is up early on a summer morning to make sure she and her friends get a good spot on the beach. Who does she go with? All correct answers will be entered into a draw for a free eBook!



The Latest Tony Valenti News

Hot off the Presses



The eighth Tony novel is in the works. I've even written the first few chapters and given it a provisional title, *A Law Unto Itself*. What I haven't done is establish a release date. A few unexpected health issues have crept up over the last several

weeks that will slow me down for a few months or more, so the new book is tentatively scheduled for release in early 2024.

Now, about the exciting publishing news I mentioned. I'm finalizing a deal with a major independent audiobook publisher to produce the entire Tony Valenti series. I'll have more to say about this as we firm up details such as cast members and release dates. I'm a little jazzed about this. Judging by the number of people who have asked me when Tony would finally be available in audio, I may not be alone! As always, I'll be sure to keep Reader's Club members up to date as we go.

A peek behind the curtain

Behind the Scenes

I'm in the midst of making some significant changes on the I'm also tweaking the business side of things to lighten the load on a day-to-day basis. For those of you who follow me on social media, you may have noticed I haven't been as active recently. The Reader's Club was always intended to be my primary point of contact with readers and always will be, but there's a school of thought in the writing community that a social media presence is a must have. That hasn't been my experience; readers contact me much more often by email, so I'm questioning how vital social media is for me. I'd appreciate you taking a moment to answer the question below, which will help me decide how to proceed. Thank you!



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Monthly Reader's Q & A

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on my [website](#) or send an email to info@neilturnerbooks.com. If you send an email, please type *Reader's Club Q & A* in the subject line. Thank you!

Here's this month's question and answer.

Q: If you could travel to any fictional book world, where would you go and what would you do there?

A: My immediate thought was Middle Earth from J.R.R. Tolkien's *Lord of the Rings*, but that seemed a little *too* obvious, so I sifted through other fictional world options ... and then I came back to Middle Earth. Why? I found Hobbiton and the Shire delightful; a familiar, tranquil setting transformed into something quite out of the ordinary. There's also magic in Rivendell and Lothlórien, and what the Dwarves wrought under the mountains sounds majestic. I could easily picture the beauty of Rohan and Gondor. I'm certain I would be filled with awe and wonder while travelling Middle Earth, and I suspect the company of Frodo and his friends would be delightful. That said, I *felt* the utter desolation of Mordor as Tolkien brought it to life; I could hear, see, even smell the evil and rot in that dark land and the foreboding it inflicted on the world and its inhabitants. Thankfully, I would be my own tour guide on my visit to Middle Earth, so I'd give Mordor a pass, thank you very much. 😊

That's it for this month. Thanks for being a member of our Reader's Club!

Take care, be well, and happy reading,

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