

I finished reading *Cowards, Crooks, and Warriors* by J.C. DeLadurantey, and I thoroughly enjoyed it. The story was well-paced and seemed to speak with unfiltered authenticity; the author's history sustains the credibility throughout. It provides a great insight into the daily experience of a policeman, be he a patrol officer or assigned to the detective department. In their roles, the characters are believable and likable, particularly the main character, and I found myself rooting for his success.

Now that I've finished this story, I'm hoping to hear news of a sequel. Thanks for the great story! Well done. -**Jack Shaughnessy**

I usually do not read cop-style stories; however, after people recommended this book to me, I got it and loved it. Reading it made the everyday cop and his life come alive. Especially with today's problems in law enforcement played out in the media, this story gives everyone a good perspective of what their lives entail. The characters seem so real, and you can visualize them as you are reading the story. That is what good writing is all about. -**Anna Draper**

It started with a clever title, designed to catch the eye of skilled surveillant, fulfilling in sharing the application of street smarts, keen interest holding web of situations that flow through the daily encounters 'on the job.' The author's view reflects he's been 'there' with humor rich in familiarity, smiles, bruises, and soulful pain of things gone dead wrong! -**Anonymous**

In knowing the author, I had anticipated a fascinating ride, and I got that and much more--surprises, insights, and moments of uncertainty. You'll not be disappointed with Joe D's approach in this excellent novel! -**Paul M. Whisenand, Ph.D**

I am a mystery buff, and this had me guessing till the end...this is one of those books you don't want to end...I loved the relationship between HH and his wife...and his colorful descriptions of the people and colleagues he comes into contact with... I hope there is another book on the horizon...you can tell this author speaks from experience !!! -**Cindy...North Carolina**

Gripping, Real, scary, sick all at the same time. I loved characters and seeing what officers deal with personally and professionally. How do these heroes keep their lives in balance? Amazing read. -**Judy**

A well-written mystery novel written from the perspective of a patrol officer. The authors' experience in patrol, detectives, and forensics make for a thoroughly enjoyable read. Hard to put down. -**Larry Fetters**

This first effort on JC's part was a great read. It made you see the inside workings of the police department of Orchard Hill. The protagonist, Harry, was an authentic and exciting character. The

plot went places you didn't imagine, and things wrapped up very satisfactorily. I would certainly encourage another effort with Harry in the lead again. -**Patricia Fohl**

For cops, the story will sound familiar; however, for non-law enforcement, it will introduce them to a slice of what it looks like to be a street cop. The author has done a terrific job painting an environment in which one feels like the invisible person at the scene. This story follows the life of a uniformed street cop who is loaned to detectives for a particular homicide case which is singularly unique. You can feel the anxiety of this cop as he struggles to meet the demands of his career and his family. -**Great read! Steve Day**