

## Discussion Questions

Q: You didn't start out as a writer, what prompted you to start?

A: I always liked good stories. Even as a kid I fancied myself a story teller. The younger brother of the upstairs neighbor was a guinea pig for my oral story telling gig. The idea to write them down, however, didn't occur to me till college. And even then it took years for me to muster the discipline to write a full book.

Q: Is this your first novel?

A: Its actually my third. The first one, False Gods, was turned into a screenplay. The second, Future Perfect, was published 5 years ago.

Q: Did they ever make a movie out of the first novel?

A: No. The rights reverted back to me but by then I was interested in writing other things.

Q: What is The Kennedy Effect about?

A: Its about parallel universes and our counterparts in one of them who visit us in secret. The hero is JFK from a parallel reality where he never became President. He works for a covert agency who are very interested in Kennedy's assassination. He ultimately plays a part in it as a pawn of the agency.

Q: Would someone other than science fiction fans enjoy this book?

A: I think anyone into Kennedy conspiracy theories may find my treatment of the subject interesting.

Q: What were you trying to say in this novel?

A: I'd like to think that I point out the dangers of extreme thinking, either political or religious. And I have some fun with it too in portraying various real life characters.

Q: What else are you working on?

A: I'm working on an Indiana Jones type adventure right now.

Q: How does one get a copy of the book?

A: Amazon.com will be the first to have it. Local bookstores like the Front Street Book Shop in Scituate, Massachusetts soon after that. I'll probably do a fair number of book signing events in local stores and libraries to start my tour.

Q: How did you get published?

A: Unlike my second book I self published this time. There's a lot of steps in the process and it is daunting but I didn't have to guess at who was doing what. I avoided disappointments that way.