BOOK CLUB QUESTIONS

***Miranda Warning***

1. What was your first impression of Rose Campbell (in the initial flashback section)? Conversely, what was your first impression of Tess Spencer? How did your opinions of these women change as the book progressed?

2. What similarities did you see between Rose Campbell and Tess Spencer? What differences did you pick up on between them, and how did this affect the outcome of the story?

3. Miranda Michaels loves her dead husband, yet she is looking forward to marrying Paul Campbell. Had the story ended differently, do you think that marriage could have worked or not?

4. Axel Becker is a recurring character in *A Murder in the Mountains* mystery series. What role do you think he will play in these books? Do you think he's trustworthy?

4. What would you say makes Nikki Jo Spencer an admirable mother-in-law? Are there any of her traits/actions you'd like to emulate, or traits you wish your own mother-in-law possessed?

5. Thomas and Tess haven't been married long when *Miranda Warning* begins. Describe some of their immaturities and some of the ways you saw them growing in their marriage. What is one of Thomas' most endearing characteristics?

6. Tess initially dislikes Charlotte Michaels, without ever having met her. Why does she feel this way? Have you ever had a strong feeling you'd dislike someone, then had your opinion changed? Share some of that experience. How does Charlotte's personality complement Tess'?

7. The Good Doctor (Bartholomew Cole) has secrets to hide. Do you think he was justified in taking the actions he took with Rose, especially in regard to her death?

8. What do you think about Rose's "ghosts?" Do you think the author wished them to appear to be real, and if so, are they portrayed as benevolent or evil spirits?

9. Who is your favorite character in the Spencer family and why? (Roger, Nikki Jo, Thomas, Andrew, or Petey?) How does that character treat Tess like a natural-born member of his/her own family?

10. There is a mothering theme throughout the book. Contrast some of the mothers who appeared in this story. Tess Spencer would be included in this list since she's pregnant!

11. What would you say is Tess Spencer's greatest strength? Her greatest weakness? Many readers have said they feel like they're friends with Tess Spencer. Why do you think that is?