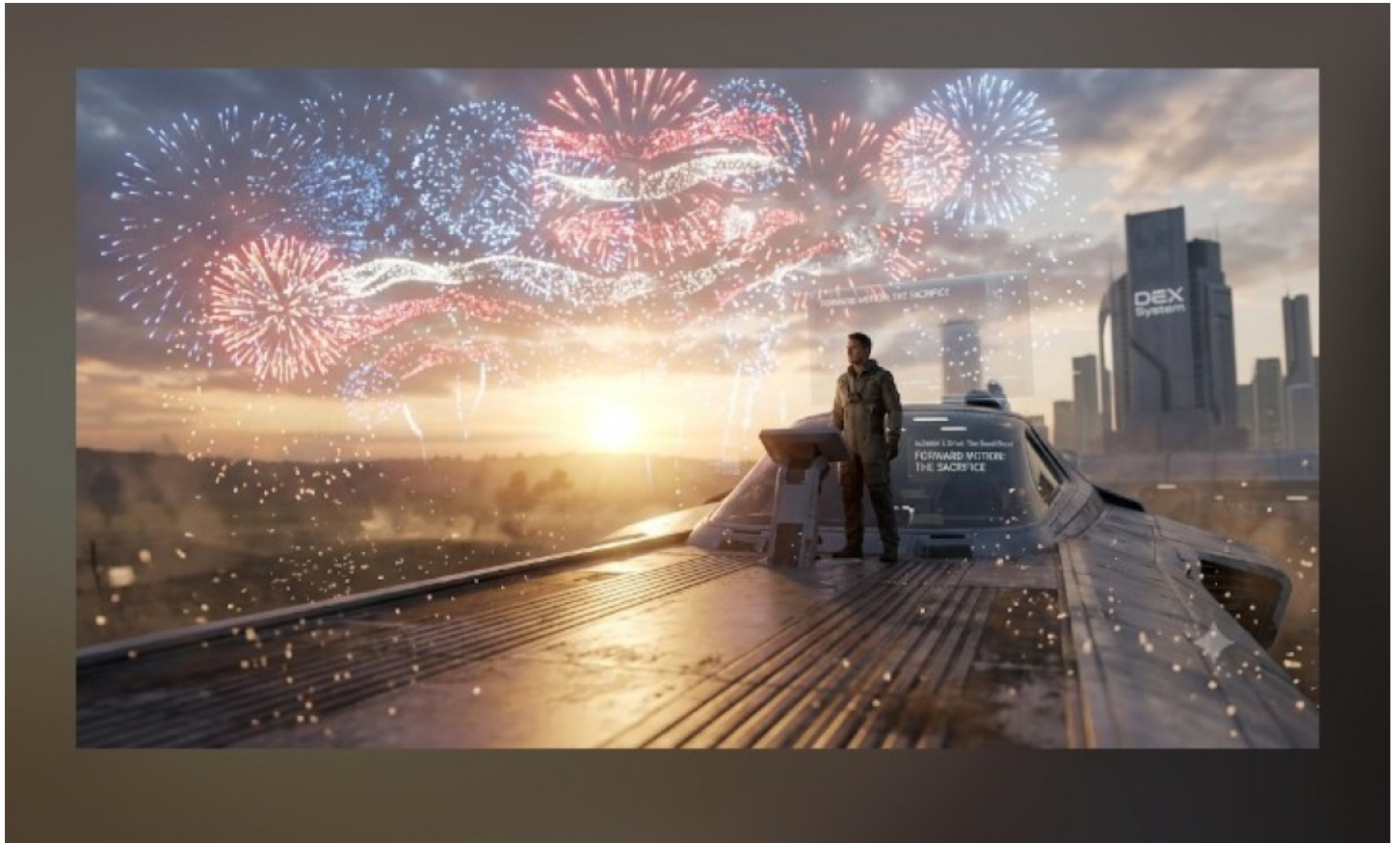


## Ahead of America's 250th, New Sci-Fi Novel Asks What a Nation — or a Person — Sacrifices to Move Forward

Independence was never free



**Los Angeles, California Jul 1, 2026** ([Issuewire.com](http://Issuewire.com)) - The colonists who backed the Declaration of Independence risked everything they had to move a country forward into a future none of them could fully see. Ronald Bartholomew's new novel *E-Drive: The Good Ghost — A Tale of Choice* takes that idea and makes it literal.

When the Acheron's E-Drive fires, pilot Mortimer doesn't just move the ship through time — he loses something in the process, a specific memory taken by the machine "the way metabolism takes a calorie," leaving behind only the awareness that something is now missing. Forward motion, in Bartholomew's novel, always costs something. Nothing about the jump is free.

As the country prepares to mark 250 years of its own forward motion — and its own costs — Dex System is positioning E-Drive as a timely read for anyone drawn to stories about what gets left behind in the name of what comes next.

E-Drive: The Good Ghost — A Tale of Choice is available now.

- Amazon: <https://www.amazon.com/Drive-Good-Ghost-Tale-Choice/dp/B0H34SSCBV/>

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