

Looking Back, Looking Forward: Dex System Publishing's Reading List for America's 250th Summer

A holiday-week reading list tied to reflection, transition, and what's next for the nation.



New Rochelle, New York Jul 30, 2026 ([Issuewire.com](https://www.issuewire.com)) - Distinct from Dex System's dedicated Semiquincentennial press series, this feature offers a lighter, holiday-week reading list tied to America's 250th anniversary — framed around reflection and transition rather than direct patriotic messaging, and written to carry the spirit of the Fourth of July forward into the rest of the summer.

The list includes *Commander in the Chiefhouse* by James Essex, *War and Wisdom* and *From Khartoum to Kharg Island: The Long War for the Global Jugular*, both by Liam Conrad, and *The Visionary: Ray Kurzweil and the Future of Humanity* by Preston Ashcroft. Together, the four titles move from governance to conflict to technological futures — a deliberate arc.

"The Fourth of July gives readers a natural moment to think about where the country has been and where it's headed," a Dex System spokesperson said. "This list isn't flag-waving — it's meant for readers who want something more reflective than that."

Readers interested in a governmental-transition angle may also want to cross-reference *The Hard Handover*, featured earlier in the campaign. The release is well suited to holiday-week lifestyle coverage and 'what to read this Fourth of July' roundups, even running slightly past the holiday itself.

This list is intentionally separate from Dex System's dedicated Semiquincentennial press series, which continues to run through the rest of 2026 with its own schedule of releases.

Featured Titles:

- Commander in the Chiefhouse — James Essex — <https://www.amazon.com/Commander-Chief-House-James-Essex/dp/B0H2857894/>
- War and Wisdom — Liam Conrad — <https://www.amazon.com/War-Wisdom-Liam-Conrad/dp/B0GWGT7BHR/>
- From Khartoum to Kharg Island: The Long War for the Global Jugular — Liam Conrad — <https://www.amazon.com/Khartoum-Kharg-Island-Global-Jugular/dp/B0GVVZMNMG/>
- The Visionary: Ray Kurzweil and the Future of Humanity — Preston Ashcroft — <https://www.amazon.com/Visionary-Ray-Kurzweil-Future-Humanity/dp/B0F46VRGBL/>
- Portals — Chester Craig — <https://www.amazon.com/Portals-Chester-Craig/dp/B0GZ55G47K/>

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