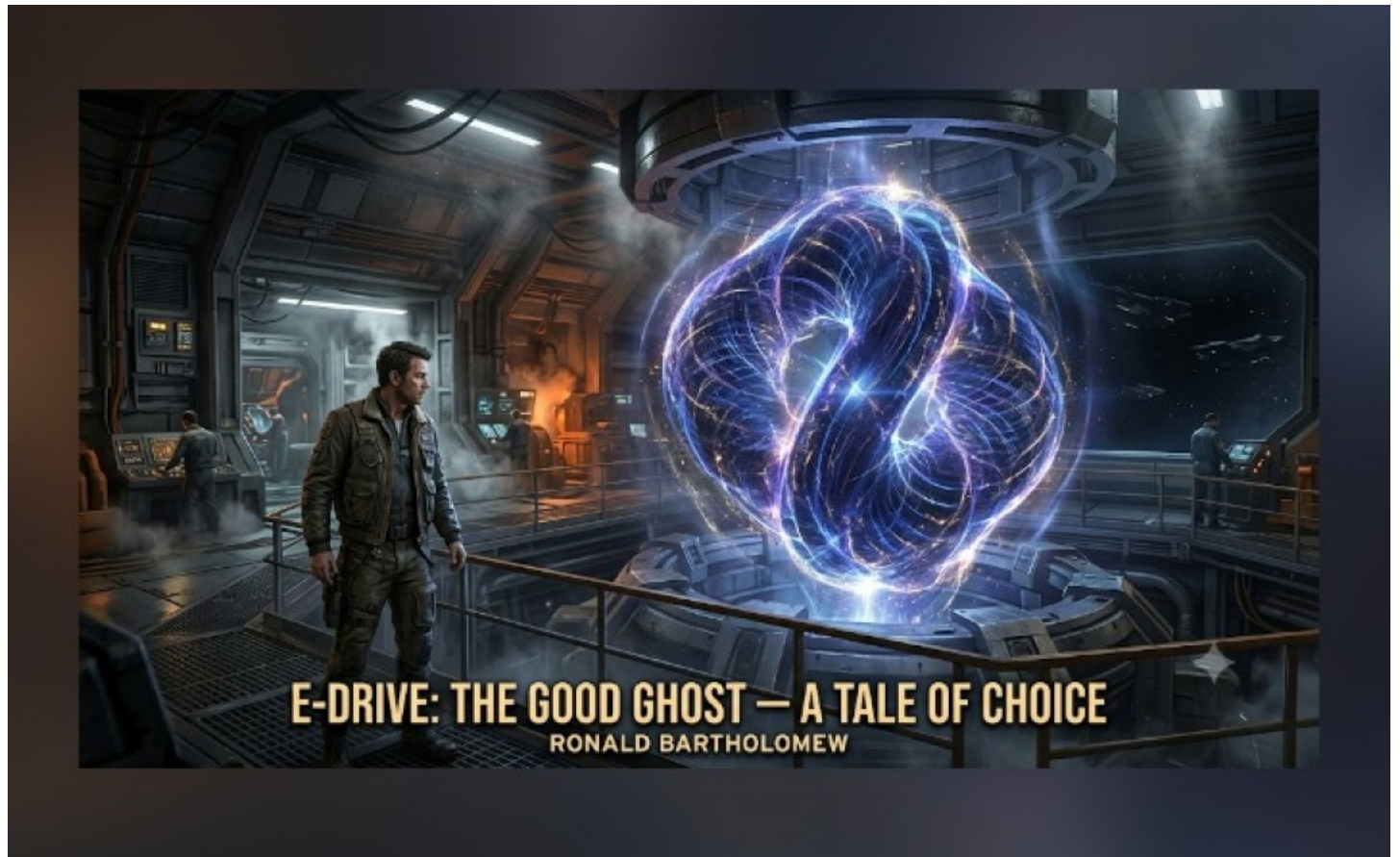


New Sci-Fi Novel E-Drive: The Good Ghost Echoes America's Own Story of a Spark That Set Everything in Motion

The Spark Before the Signing



New York City, New York Jul 1, 2026 (IssueWire.com) - As the United States counts down to its 250th anniversary, Dex System author Ronald Bartholomew's new novel *E-Drive: The Good Ghost — A Tale of Choice* reminds readers that revolutions — of nations and of technology — rarely begin with a signature. They begin with a spark.

In the novel, pilot Mortimer returns to the deep-space vessel *Acheron* to find its experimental E-Drive has changed while he was gone — a fixed, precision-engineered coil grown into something that "should not have been able to change shape." When the drive ignites, it doesn't just move the ship; it moves it through time itself, snapping the *Acheron* backward eleven seconds to escape a Hegemony blockade closing in around it.

It's a fitting parable for the Fourth of July. Just as Paul Revere's midnight ride was the spark that came a full year before the Declaration of Independence was ever signed, Mortimer's connection to the *Acheron* — and the choice he's forced to make in its ignition — happens long before the novel's larger reckoning arrives.

"The Declaration was the moment everyone remembers," said a spokesperson for Dex System. "But Bartholomew's book is interested in the moment before the moment — the spark nobody was watching.

That's where E-Drive lives."

E-Drive: The Good Ghost — A Tale of Choice is available now in print, ebook, and audio.

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

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