



What Reviewers Say about *Spring House*

Award-Winning Finalist in the Historical Fiction Category of the National Indie Excellence 2007 Book Awards

"Fans of American history will find this a fascinating, fact filled read. The author puts a personal spin on history, making it more appealing to readers. Educational, entertaining and a good read."

Reviewer: Shirley Roe, [Allbooks Review](#).

"This book brings the historical facts of a region to life. The author has done a meticulous job of research. The footnotes and resource notes only serve to emphasize this. Students are often required to read some kind of historical fiction in middle school and this would be a good one for that – a sort of North Carolina equivalent to Johnny *Tremain*. It is easy but interesting reading." Judge in the [Writer's Digest International Self-Published Book Awards](#)

"I enjoyed reading 'Spring House.' ... Modern genealogists are now finding ways to combine American and family history. I do not mean to suggest that we have the ability to speak and write with the facility of a David Bowles. I do want to suggest that either individually or with a "committee" of interested family members, that very readable books can be produced that appeal to an audience beyond your immediate relatives."

—John L. Kiener, "Digging for Your Roots" from the Jonesborough Genealogical Society, [Herald & Tribune](#), September 25, 2006

"The book both is and isn't a family history. It is a fictional account of the author's actual ancestors, and is faithful to historical realities regarding names, places, time lines, and so on. Bowles's deep interest in both history and genealogy is palpable and he successfully tells a compelling and historically accurate story through a fictional medium... A compelling story of love, family, community, war, struggle and history, 'Spring House' is much more than any ordinary family history could be, and should leave any reader feeling both satisfied and informed."

—Arthur Erickson, Genealogy Librarian, Greensboro Public Library, in [The Guilford Genealogist](#), Vol. 33, No. 2, Summer, 2006, Issue No. 113

"This was a very interesting book, I didn't want it to end. Although I am not a huge fan of historical writing, I enjoyed this book. The writer made the meshing of story and history very entertaining."

—Ellen Hogan for [Reader Views](#)

"David Bowles has blended genealogy, American history and imaginative dialogue to produce a book, *Spring House*, that should have wide appeal. His outstanding scholarship furnishes a firm foundation to a very readable story of a family's adventures in the Revolutionary War period. A sure fire combination of romance, war, and hardships overcome."

—Joseph N. Ware, Commander, Texas Brigade, Descendants of Washington's Army at Valley Forge

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