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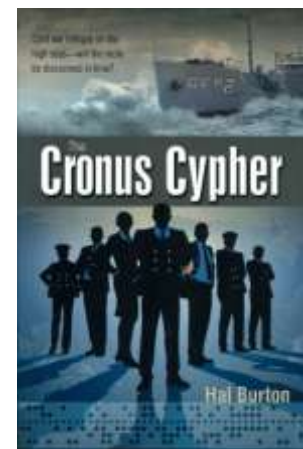
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Hal Burton to read and discuss his new novel: “The Cronus Cypher”

Local author Hal Burton will read from and discuss “[The Cronus Cypher](#),” his new novel of Cold War intrigue on the high seas.” The event will be at the [Shelton Timberland Library](#) (William G. Reed Public Library) on Wednesday, April 6 from 6 to 7 p.m. Books will be available for purchase and signing.

Before the reading, Mr. Burton will present the historical background and source for the story as well as characters and plot themes. A question-and-answer period will follow the reading.

The Cronus Cypher is a work of fiction, but the incidents and the experiences of the protagonist are based in significant part on “A Journey of One... and More,” the military memoirs of Melvin Williamson, retired Navy Chief Petty Officer and communications/cryptology technician for the National Security Agency.



Burton is the author of six published novels, four of which are set on the Olympic Peninsula. The background for several of the novels is provided in part on his extensive hiking experience in the Olympic Mountains and travel throughout the US and the world. Burton is a graduate of the University of Washington and has a Masters degree from Indiana University. He lives in Lilliwaup with his wife, Jeanette.

The Shelton Timberland Library is located at 710 W Alder Street, Shelton. For more information, please contact the library at (360) 426-1362 or go to www.TRL.org.

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