

Beaumont Library District

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Hours of Service

Sunday—1 to 6 p.m.
Monday—10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Tuesday—10 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Wednesday—CLOSED
Thursday—10 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Friday—10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Saturday—10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

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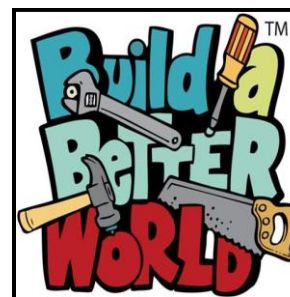
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Luren Dickinson



SUMMER READING PROGRAM, 2017

"Build a Better World" runs Monday, June 5 to Friday, July 28 and is open to all children, teens, and adults.



BEAUMONT LIBRARY DISTRICT

a California Special District,
independent of both city and county
government, providing library services
to Beaumont and Cherry Valley



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There Are Just Certain Things That Beaumont Librarians Will Not Ask You

by Luren Dickinson, Director

- **Want to hear a secret?** Sorry, we keep it confidential! What you check out is between you and your library card. We do not make records available unless there is a legal order to do so. Remember a few years ago when the book *Fifty Shades of Grey* came out? Everybody wanted to read it, but nobody wanted anyone else to know. Well, if you checked it out here, we kept your secret!

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- **Would you like some advice on your medical, legal, or tax problem?** We cannot do that because it is against the law to impersonate a doctor, a lawyer, and the IRS! But feel free to ask us for advice and recommendations on the best books or movies for whatever age group or genre or subject area is of interest to you, and we will be glad to help.
- **This is a library so would you please be quiet?** No, it is okay these days to make a little bit of noise as long as you do not bother others. Just be courteous by silencing your cell phone and taking lengthy conversations to more remote areas of the building and keeping your vocal level down.
- **Did you know that everything is on the Internet?** A lot of people think that is the case, but study after study has shown that only a fraction of the world's information is available on the Internet. Yes, you may get a million hits when you search Google, but it may take a professional librarian to steer you to the right answer after wading through everything
- **Would you believe that I read every book that I recommend?** While a good librarian may have knowledge of thousands and thousands of books and films, that does not mean we have read or watched every single one! We rely on the top review sources of the profession to select material for the library and often can recommend an item based upon that knowledge.
- **You do not really expect me to answer that question?** On the contrary, a librarian is the "Question Authority." That is, a librarian is the one you should rely upon to handle *all* your questions. Whether you are having trouble with a computer or Internet issue, or you are stumped by a tricky subject, or you are trying to trace your family tree, or you are trying to do a background check on someone, the library is the place to go and librarians are the ones who would be happy to help you! Why do you think librarians always do so well on Jeopardy?!



Beaumont Library now has Microsoft Office on public computers, including:

- **Excel**—a spreadsheet application with data analysis and visualization tools
- **PowerPoint**—a presentation graphics program with capabilities for text effects, sound, and animation
- **Publisher**—a desktop publishing program that allows people with basic layout skills to create a wide variety of publications
- **Word**—a full-featured word-processing program

Proposal to Lower the Approval Threshold for Library Construction Issues Moves to the Senate

The California Senate's Elections and Constitutional Amendments Committee met May 2 and accepted a constitutional amendment proposal (SCA-3), by a 4-1 vote, that would lower the approval level for library construction bond issues from 67% to 55%. The bill now heads to the full Senate. A similar measure for schools, Proposition 39, was approved in 2000. Public libraries lost significant funding in the 1990s when the state gave library funding permanently to schools. Beaumont Library District is trying to keep up with population growth and needs to update and enlarge its aging infrastructure for better service. Tell Senator Mike Morrell he should support SCA-3 by writing to him at: Senator.Morrell@sen.ca.gov



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