

March 2023 Hours

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Saturday 11 am – 2 pm

Library Status Report  
for March 2023

April 2023 Hours

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Books & Materials: Our lead library tech was out the first half of the March and since she is the sole cataloger of books and materials, we are still working through all of the donated books. The Library Auxiliary has stepped up to take care of the books that we are not bringing into the catalog and this has helped tremendously. Until we are reimbursed for the remaining Zip Books we are out of funds for this year to purchase any new titles and are relying on the Auxiliary as a funding source for new, or new to us, books and materials.

We now provide online access to the California Newspaper Archive database. Patrons can access the database from home through our website: <https://www.san-juan-bautista.ca.us/community/library.php>



Outreach: Our 118<sup>th</sup> birthday cake social hour was well attended by the Library Auxiliary. Patrons also wandered in and out throughout the afternoon to congratulate us and to take part in the cake eating. On loan through mid-April is a quilt done by San Juan Elementary students in 1978-79 that were in Ms. Whiteheads 5/6 grade class. Each applique block represents different historic landmarks around town.



We partnered with San Benito County Free Library (SBCFL.org) to help them distribute chromebooks and hotspots to residents in and around San Juan Bautista on Monday March 13 and Tuesday March 23. They will be returning for a third distribution at some point in the future. For now we are taking names and numbers for those interested. Residents are required to have a library card through SBCFL in order to check out a chromebook and/or hotspot. Both are checked out for more than a year although the hotspots technically will only have service through December 31, 2023. More information can be found at: <https://sbcfl.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/SBCFL-Technology-Initiatives.pdf>

MOBAC/PLP: The March PLP Admin Council meeting was cancelled due to the weather.

Staff: We interviewed five candidates for the part-time library tech position. We selected one to bring on board and hope to do so soon.