

Bookmarks

The bi-weekly newsletter of the Joeten-Kiyu Public Library



In a heartfelt ceremony commemorating Joeten's 75th Anniversary, the Team Joeten-Kiyu Public Library expressed its profound gratitude to the Joeten Daidai Foundation, Joeten Motor Co., Inc., and Joeten Superstore. On Friday, January 30, 2025, representatives from the library presented the organizations with a cultural plaque of Appreciation, recognizing their unwavering and invaluable contributions over the years. This enduring partnership has been instrumental in supporting the Joeten-Kiyu Public Library to fulfill its mission of providing essential educational and informational resources to the community.



FRONT CIRCULATION PATRON COUNT: 1,107 

NEW LIBRARY CARDS: 15 

The Joeten-Kiyu Public Library celebrated Chinese New Year with a special family event featuring a lion dance, and a children's read aloud and craft. The event took place on Chinese New Year, Wednesday, January 29, 2025 at the Joeten-Kiyu Public Library's Children of Our Homeland, a.k.a. Children's Library.

"We are excited to celebrate Chinese New Year with our community," said Library Director Erlinda C. Naputi. "This event is a great way to learn about Chinese culture and traditions. We thank President Jerry Tan and the Saipan Chinese Association for their partnership and continued support of the Joeten-Kiyu Public Library."



CHILDREN OF OUR HOMELAND: TEACHING KIDS ABOUT MONEY

The American Library Association (ALA) and the FINRA Investor Education Foundation awarded the Joeten-Kiyu Public Library a Thinking Money for Kids Program Kit, a collection of expertly vetted resources to help libraries offer financial education for children ages 3 to 12 in the library. This special collection of interactive games and launchpads, tablets downloaded with financial literacy games, will teach you all about money. JKPL successfully launched the event on Friday, January 24, 2025 reaching more than 30 families.



CULTURAL LIBRARY TOURS



The Joeten-Kiyu Public Library would like to extend its sincere gratitude to the Saipan Mayor's Office and the International Exchange Program for allowing us the opportunity to host a group of 9 Japanese exchange students from Noboribetsu City, Japan on January 9, 2025. During the students' visit, we hosted a cultural read-aloud, a food demonstration showcasing local cuisine and local artifacts in our Pacific Collection, and hands-on cultural activities that offered a deeper understanding of our heritage.

Special thank you to the Honorable Mayor Ramon RB Jose Blas Camacho and his office for their partnership in making this program possible. The opportunity to educate and connect foreign visitors with the rich cultural traditions of our island is a truly invaluable experience, and we are grateful for the continued support of the Mayor's Office and the International Exchange Program with Mrs. Hiroko Tenorio in fostering these important cross-cultural connections. The Joeten-Kiyu Public Library is committed to providing a space for educational experiences that highlight the importance of cultural awareness and appreciation. We look forward to future opportunities to host programs that celebrate both local and global cultures.

JKPL BOOKMOBILE



BOOKMOBILE PATRON COUNT:
2,163



TEEN SERVICES



4 CNMI Public School System Co-Op high school students successfully completed the JKPL's library assistant intern training on Saturday, January 11, 2025.

ITC USAGE (TOTAL PATRON USE PC & WIFI):

2,124



FERNANDO M. BENAVENTE MEMORIAL LIBRARY (SAN ANTONIO BRANCH LIBRARY)



The Joeten-Kiyu Public Library's Bookmobile Outreach Services supervises the Fernando M. Benavente Memorial Library (a.k.a. San Antonio Branch Library). Activities in this branch library include read aloud, homework help, stationary activities, movie days, and technology use. This January, the Bookmobile had a total of 131 patrons using MiFi.

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LIBRARY HOURS OF OPERATION:

Tuesday to Thursday 10AM-6PM
Friday 1:30PM-7PM
Saturday 9:30AM-4PM
Closed: Sundays, Mondays, and Holidays

