

# CAMP KATA KANI

Where Campers Thrive



## SPECIAL EVENTS

JUNE 26, 2018 Visit from Professional Clown, Maggie

#### JUNE 27, 2018

Pelican Harbor Field Trip

#### JUNE 28, 2018

Walking Trip to Bolingbrook Police Department

#### JUNE 29, 2018

Visit from Bolingbrook Fire Department

# CAMP REMINDERS

Did your camper enjoy this week? There is still time to register for more sessions this summer! Camp runs through August 10th

# SPORTS WEEK II

Last week, in sports session I, we had the chance to play several different sports and team building games to practice healthier living. This week, we applied those skills we learned to test out our team building skills, and improve in areas we wanted to do better.

Although Monday was hot, we kept cool at camp with lots of water games, including a thrilling water balloon battle. We also made and decorated our own paper fans.

Early in the week, we played a few games of one of our favorites: capture the flag. We learned to work with new teams, as Ranger taught us the importance of getting to know new people and share our strengths to work together.

Another favorite game that we enjoyed was Jedi, a traditional Camp Kata Kani game, similar to dodgeball, that has been passed down for generations.

This week we also enjoyed playing ghost in the graveyard out in the woods, as well as playing soccer, kickball, and other games.

During archery this week, we practiced our T-shape stances again, and learned a little bit about aiming and a trick to find which of our eyes is the dominant eye. A lot of us improved a lot from last week, and several of us got our arrows onto the target! We didn't forget to let out our creative sides this week either. On Wednesday, we worked in teams to build and decorate mini foosball fields out of shoe boxes, clothes pins, pom poms, paper, and other supplies. Foosball was just as much fun to play as it was to build!

As for this week's field trip, we donned our camp t-shirts and headed out to Plainfield Lanes to give a shot at bowling. These strikes were much more exciting than the ones we received in kickball, and some of us even bowled games over 100 pins! We're looking forward to our Friday cookout and and Grand Council Fire Meeting.



# WEEKLY SPOTLIGHT ALL ABOUT ARCHERY

Over the past two weeks, our campers have been learning the basics of archery, while practicing their shooting skills on the range.

Archery is one of the safest sports in the world. In fact, according to National Safety Council, archery is more than three times safer than golf. Archery's safety comes from the many rules and regulations gone over before anyone even handles a bow. Rules like standing behind a waiting line, tying back long hair, and never pointing an arrow anywhere except at a target or the ground help to keep archery so safe for our campers. Another aspect that we love about archery at Campfire, is that it's inclusive. No matter your age or height or whether or not you have a disability, archery is possible for you. Bows come in different sizes, and in different types, such as the recurve bow and the compound bow. Archery is even possible for those who are blind, thanks to tactile sighting equipment!

All that being said, archery is an excellent medium for teaching problem solving and goal setting, for building confidence, and for increasing patience and focus. Archery allows our campers to see proof that their practice improves their skill level, and provides the means for setting goals that are simple, meaningful, attainable, reasonable, and timely. We're looking forward to more fun with archery next week during our performing and fine arts session I! *Bonus: There's still room for campers to sign up~ registration is open until 6 pm, Friday June 21st.* 

### SHARE WITH US

Campers may submit artwork, writing, songs, or other work to post in the newsletter every week! Parents may share testimonials, anonymously or not, to post in the newsletter.

Please contact Asst. Camp Director, Amanda "Betta" Held to submit to our newsletter, at campassist@campfireusaillinois.org

### **SNEAK PEEK**

Next week, we will be taking two off property field trips: one to Pelican Harbor on Wednesday, and the other to the Bolingbrook Police Department on Thursday. Please be sure your camper packs and dresses accordingly. Campers may wish to bring floaties for the water park, and should dress ready to hike 1 mile to the Police Department. As always, campers should have their own water bottles.

### GRAND COUNCIL FIRE

Camper families are cordially invited to attend our closing Grand Council Fire Meetings. We begin each Friday at 3 p.m. Each week features songs, skits, and our weekly camper awards!



# Plainfield Lanes Field Trip







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# WE'RE THRIVING TAKE A PEEK AT WHAT'S SPARKING OUR INTERESTS



MAKING FOOSBALL FIELDS



CAPTURE THE FLAG



**BUILDING LINCOLN LOGS** 



KICKBALL

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# QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS?

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact us: Camp Director Ryne "Ranger" Hanz: email at camp@campfireusa-illinois.org Visit us on the web at www.campfireusa-illinois.org

