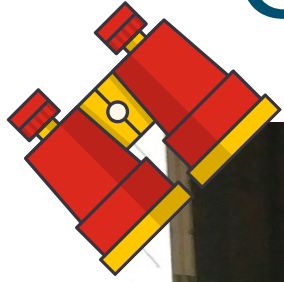


# CAMP KATA KANI

*Where Campers Thrive*



## SPECIAL EVENTS

**AUGUST 1, 2018**

*Field Trip to JJC Planetarium*

**AUGUST 8, 2018**

*Field Trip to Pelican Harbor*

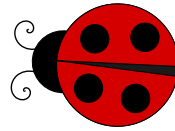
## CAMP REMINDERS

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

## NATURE WEEK II

This week at Camp Kata Kani, we dove into some more fun with nature. We kicked off our week by making our own name tags out of tree cookies. We also enjoyed working together with our teams in our camp favorite, capture the flag. Then, we headed back to the cabin for some nature painting, and we learned about totem poles and made our own out of tin cans and other craft supplies. Our next adventure sent us back in time to 1893 at the Naper Settlement, where we participated in a mock 1890's classroom, toured the Martin Mitchell Mansion, learned about life on the prairie for those living in a log house, saw a black smith demonstration, learned about the printing press, and so much more. Overall, we learned a lot about the world around us and what our community was like over 100 years ago, plus, we got to play in the splash zone and the pioneer playground! By Thursday, we were ready for more new experiences, as we learned about and created our own Mexican code ciphers, which were invented by the Mexican army in order to send messages across the desert securely. We learned several other different types of codes too, including binary code and the Caesar shift. Afterwards, we had the opportunity to crack some codes on our own, with a special frozen treat as a prize at the end! Still to come, we're looking forward to s'mores at our Friday cookout and more fun and games!

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## 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 and/or on our Facebook page.

Please contact Asst. Camp Director, Amanda "Betta" Held to submit, at [campassist@campfireusa-illinois.org](mailto:campassist@campfireusa-illinois.org)

## SACK LUNCHES

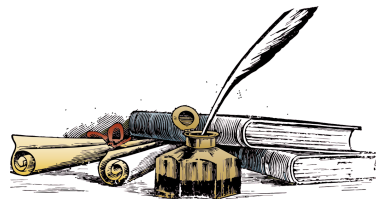
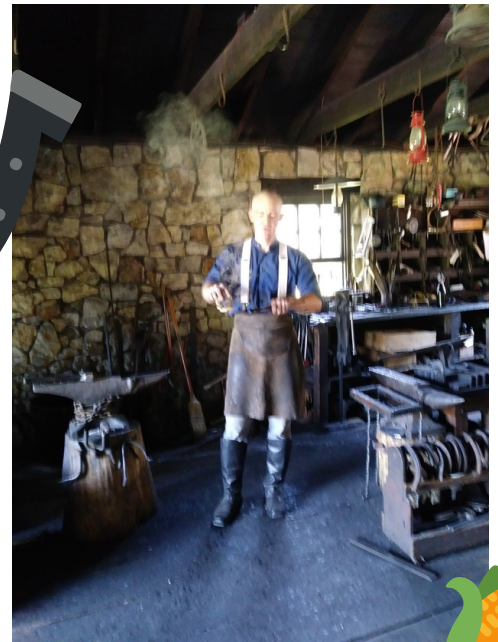
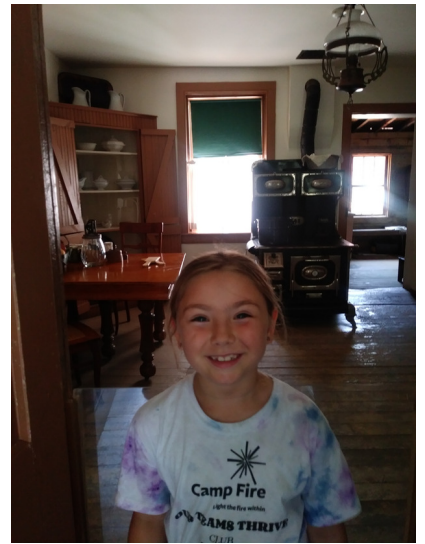
Next week, we will be traveling to the Joliet Junior College Planetarium. For this field trip, campers will need a sack lunch. There will not be refrigerators available at JJC for us to store lunches. We recommend sending your camper with their yellow drawstring camp bags and a lunch that contains a freezer pack to ensure all food stays fresh.

## GRAND COUNCIL FIRE

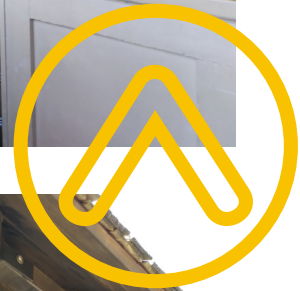
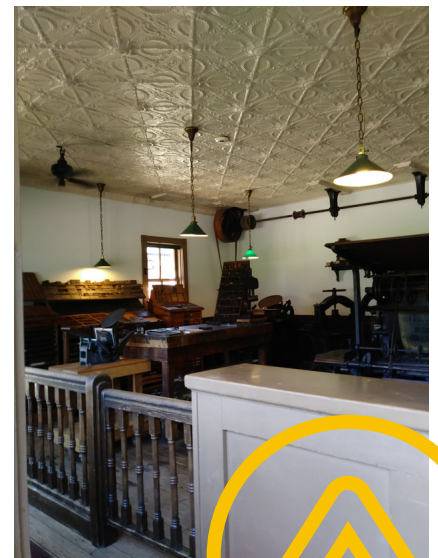
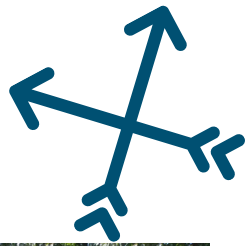
Camper families are cordially invited to attend our closing Grand Council Fire Meetings. Each week features songs, skits, and our weekly camper awards! Grand Council Fire will begin at 3 p.m. on Fridays.



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# ASK THE STAFF

## PARENT Q & A



**Q:** There are two sessions of each theme--will you be doing the same activities both of those weeks?

**A:** Great question! Every week offers new experiences for our campers. While there are traditional activities that remain the same weekly, like our cookouts, archery, and fishing, we will engage in new activities each week. For example, this week in our nature session, we worked on orienteering, while next week we will learn about Mexican code ciphers. Additionally, for activities, which may have been done before, such as archery, we focus on practicing and expanding our skills.



**Q:** We're really enjoying this summer, how can we leave a testimonial for others who might be considering Camp Kata Kani?

**A:** To share with others and leave your testimonial, please like us on Facebook, where you can rate your experience. You may also contact Ranger or Betta to have your testimonial included in our weekly newsletters.



**Q:** My camper is missing some belongings, do you have a lost and found?

**A:** Yes! Inside our cabin, we have a box labeled "Lost and Found." The lost and found is located on the green cubbies nearest to the director desk. If your camper is missing an item, please feel free to let us know and provide a description of its general appearance, we may have set it aside in our lost and found and not know who it belongs to!



## QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS?

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact us:

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