

## CAMP KATA KANI

Where Campers Thrive



## SPECIAL EVENTS

**AUGUST 8, 2018** 

Field Trip to Pelican Harbor

#### CAMP REMINDERS

Has your camper forgotten some belongings at camp? Are they missing a belonging and don't know where they had it last? Our Lost & Found pile is growing! Come by the cabin and check if we've found your belongings. Unclaimed belongings are donated at the end of the summer camp season.

#### STEM WEEK 1

This week at Camp Kata Kani, we've been learning all about STEM. Our first step was learning that STEM stands for Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math. Then, we began our week with finger printing-- where we practiced lifting our fingerprints, then examined them to look for whorls, loops and other fingerprint patterns. We worked as a team later to cross the Martian Desert in a variation of the classic river crossing game. We spent Monday afternoon preparing our rock candy for next week and going on a scavenger hunt to solve a space mission, decode an alien message, and rescue their missing ship! On Tuesday, we learned about surface tension and buoyancy as we experimented with making paper clips float on water, and with building our own tin foil boats. Afterwards, we had a contest to see whose boats could hold the most weight. Our most successful boats held more than 40 pennies, 16 paper clips, and two pairs of scissors all at once. Some of our runner up boats were able to held a handful of markers and an empty water bottle. On Tuesday, we also played some fun games like Night Watchman and Capture the Flag. Next, we worked on our constellation tube craft, then began the first few steps of making recycled paper. Then, for snack time, we made marshmallow and toothpicks structures. Some of us chose to make wide houses, while others made tall towers. On Wednesday, we headed to the JJC Trackman Planetarium and Cronin School, where we learned about space and also life in the early 1900's. Then, on Thursday, we made slime and learned about rivers during some fun water games.

SUMMER 2018 WEEK SEVEN

### Weekly Highlights















#### 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@campfireusaillinois.org

# TRACKMAN PLANETARIUM AT JJC

This week, we had the opportunity to visit the Trackman Planetarium and the Cronin School at Joliet Junior College. If your camper wants to learn more, or if your family is interested in attending, the Trackman Planetarium offers free, public shows September through June. You can find more information at:

www.facebook.com/jjctrackmanplan etarium/ www.jjc.edu/about-

jjc/facilities/herbert-trackmanplanetarium

### 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.





### Weekly Highlights

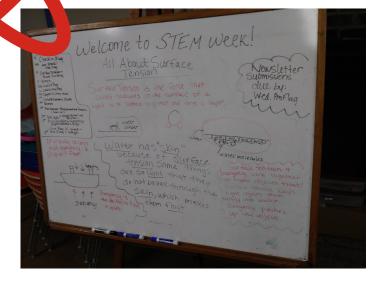








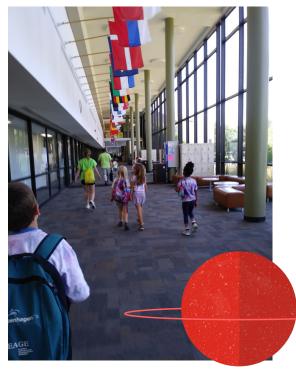














# ASK THE STAFF PARENT Q & A





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

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.



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

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!



If you have any questions or concerns, please contact us: Camp Director Ryne "Ranger" Hanz:
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Assistant Camp Director Amanda "Betta" Held:
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