



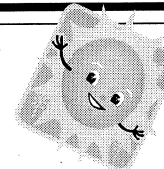
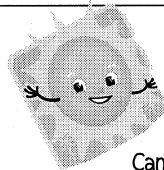
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# NUTSHELL 2011



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## Camp Memories From the Summer of 2011



What a summer we have had! Campers & counselors alike can all agree: the summer of 2011 was one to remember! At the end of every summer, we like to reflect on all of the great times we had at Merrick Woods.

With so many special events and exciting activities, it was hard to choose one favorite memory of the summer. Maybe you liked the special days, like Carnival, Family Fun Day, Halloween, or Olympics. Or perhaps you are among the many campers who loved going to the pool. How about the variety of the Arts & Crafts shops, like Ceramics, Fabric Paint, String Art or Jewelry? And what about all the exciting athletics? With League, Beach Volleyball, Gaga, Tower & Zip Line, and Tennis, what's not to like? Well, we asked our campers to try and come up with their favorite memory of the summer of 2011, and here is what they had to say:

"I'm going to miss the picture lady!"  
Matthew Mangano (B1)

"I liked the fun games at the pool!"  
Matthew Mertz (Rm4)

"Olympics was the best because I like to compete!" Madelyn Ferber (G7)

"The Girl's Sleepover was the best because we went to Adventureland!" Maura Walters (G7)

"Getting first place in Decathlon for all of Merrick Woods is my favorite memory from camp!" Michael Arlia (TBI)

"I loved the dunk tank at Carnival!" Patrick Collins (B10)

"I liked playing the League Championships!" Jordan Miller (TB2)

"I'm going to miss Art!" Mallory Hartmann (G3)

"I liked Counselor Face Paint Day because it was funny seeing paint all over Aaron's face!" Theo Schiro (B8)

"I'm going to miss making things with Hot Loops!" Benjamin Greco (B3)

"I'm going to miss the playgrounds!" Emma Cervasio (Rm 5)

"I loved the Tarzan ropes because I was afraid to go up at first, but I loved it at the end!" Brianna Lester (G9)

"I liked playing Tug-O-War during Olympics and winning Olympics overall!" Danielle Ryall (TG2)

"I'm going to miss playing games in the pool!" Alyssa Farber (G4)

"I'm going to miss the cool arts and crafts!" Victoria Guarneri (G8)



"Winning Decathlon is my favorite memory!" Christian Kul (B7)

"I liked Halloween and Carnival!" Alex Podesta (G1)

"Cooking is my favorite memory!" Miranda Anguera (G6)

"I'm going to miss going down the big waterslide!" Addison (G4)

"Basketball club is my favorite memory of camp!" Jack Bailey (B7)

"I'm going to miss the rock wall, my counselors, and my friends!" Rachel Dorfman (G8)

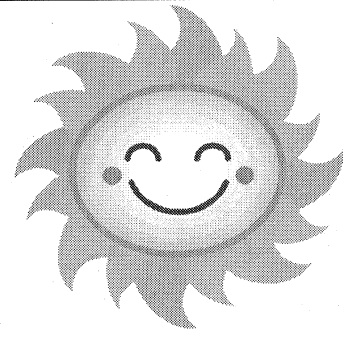
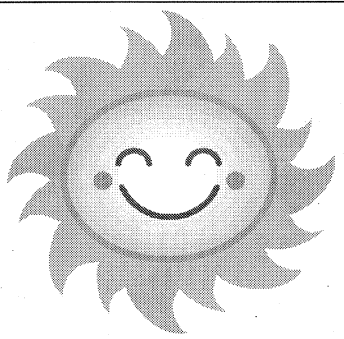
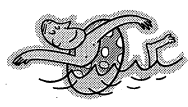
"Playing gaga is my favorite memory!" Kyle Wiemann (B1)

"I'll miss my friends the most!" Julianna Schuler (G8)

"I loved everything! I'm going to miss all my friends!" Emily Robbins (G9)

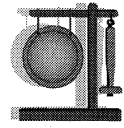
Emily, we couldn't agree more! Well there you have it. Whether you like sports and crafts, or your counselors and friends, there is something for everyone at Merrick Woods.

Thanks for making this a FANTASTIC season. Have a great school year and we can't wait to see you next summer!



**Going. going. GONG!!!**

The counselors put on a hilarious Gong Show for the campers on Friday! The show was the perfect way to end the summer with a bang... or a GONG!





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**EXPLOSION**

To sum up the past eight weeks at Merrick Woods Summer Camp in one word would be impossible to do. The experiences that both campers and counselors have had individually and together have been amazing and something that each and every child will learn and grow from.



Reports from the counselors from the past trips have been nothing but excellent. When we left Mountain Creek Water Park, the kids had a fun-filled day and had time to experience

every water ride numerous times.

Adam Green (White Bus) said "the water park was so much fun. I had a great time with all my friends and I'm sad this is my last day at Merrick Woods. These last two trips are a great way to end the summer."



Our last trip to Lido Beach is more relaxing for the kids and gives them time to celebrate the end of the summer with their friends and favorite counselors.



Overall, all the counselors and campers have had a wonderful summer packed with experiences they will never forget. We look forward to seeing you next year!

Thanks, Scott Wynne

**MERRICK WOODS IS #1 IN 2012. COME HAVE SOME FUN!**



**SEE YOU NEXT SUMMER!**

## Fabulous Family Fun Day!

Family Fun Day was a HUGE success! Thanks to our very generous families and friends, we were able to raise \$1565 for S.C.O.P.E.!



We would like to congratulate Mr. Goldstein for being selected to take the big \$1,000 Basketball Shot! Unfortunately, he just missed the shot, but he did win \$100 off next summer's camp tuition!



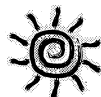
Another special congratulations to all of the winners of the awesome raffles and prizes, especially Alexa Chasin (TG2) for winning 55% off next summer's tuition, and Johnny McGrath (TB2) for being the lucky 200 Club Member to win an IPOD Touch!

We hope everyone enjoyed the day as much as we did! Thanks for helping to make it the best Family Fun Day yet!

## The Summer Scoop

Nursery News- by Marcine

How quickly a summer goes by when you're having fun!!



And fun we had. On our last day of camp, our



younger campers rocked the front patio to the music of Michael Baker and Company. Thank you for allowing us to enjoy your children this summer.



Looking forward to the summer of 2012!!



## TERRIFIC TWEENS - By Kim



There may have been only two days of camp this week, but that didn't stop the Tweens from having an incredible time. On Monday, we celebrated the end of an amazing summer with a picnic at Lido Beach. First we dined on chicken tenders and fries from Chicken Carnival. The campers and counselors all love this meal. After lunch, we all went down to the beach. The weather was perfect and the waves were just right. A great time was had by all! Thank you to all for another fabulous summer!

