# THE WICOSUTAN

Building Confidence, Competence & Community Since 1920

Fall 2025

### Letter from the Directors

Dear Wico Campers, Staff, Parents and Alumnae,



Greetings from Camp! How is it fall already? We were lucky that the beautiful summer weather lasted through the month of September. The leaves are now changing and, sadly, falling. With that we officially begin planning for Summer 2026!

We are encouraged that so many 2025 campers have re-enrolled! If you haven't already, please <u>enroll</u> now for Summer 2026 to ensure your space! We have also heard from several 2025 counselors who are already committed to returning in 2026!

In the months to come, we will share program updates, so that you know what to expect at camp this summer. We share facilities updates in this edition and will share more with you as these projects continue. You can expect a few surprises as well, so stay tuned! As always, please reach out with any questions you may have about this coming summer. We are available and always happy to help!

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Lots of Wico Love,

Crey, Justin; Carly



# CAMPER CORNER



Olivia Z and Lila M reunited in Boston after camp for the Megan Moroney concert. Thanks for the amazing photo, girls!



Charlotte W., Vivienne W., & Charlie H. met up in NYC for Sabrina Carpenter's MSG show!



Anika K and Penelope K sent us this awesome photo of their post-camp reunion. Thanks, girls!!



Sara R showed off her Wico pride at a custom robe at a sleepover with friends! She's got that Wico Spirit!



Charlie B., Sienna H., & Stella B. had some postcamp summer fun! What's better than a swim with camp friends?!

# Carla's Campfire

#### **Hey Wico!**

You may know me from handing out apples at snack time, running evening activities, or maybe you've heard me playing Piano Man on my harmonica while walking around camp! For the past two summers, I've been part of the Program Team; planning, creating, and bringing evening activities to life, which has brought me so much joy. Now, I'm SO excited to join the full-time Wico team!

A little bit about me: until I was 10, I lived on the other side of the world in a small town in Chile. Since then, I've called the Utah desert my home- growing up, going to high school and college among the Utah mountains. In my free time, you can usually find me crafting, at a yoga class, or treasure hunting at estate and garage sales.

I've decided to call my section of the Wicosutan "Carla's Campfire!" Here, I'll be sharing a mix of stories, fun camp memories, and answering your camp questions. Think of this space to stay connected to the magic of Wico all year long.

If you want to say "hi," or have any song suggestions for me to learn on my harmonica before next summer, send me an email at <u>carla@campwicosuta.com</u>.

Catch ya later! Carla







# Wico Reunions!

Stop by, pick up your summer yearbook, 2026 enrollment t-shirt, and some fun Wico swag; stay to catch up with us and have a yummy snack! Formal invites to come soon via email and social.

SAVE THE DATE FOR THE REUNION CITY CLOSEST TO YOU:

New York Area: Saturday, January 24th, Congregation Rodeph Shalom, 7 West 83rd Street, 1:00-2:30 PM Boston Area: Sunday, January 25, Sweet Tomatoes Needham, 320 Chestnut St, 12:30-2:00 PM

#### Wico Cookbook

Our 2025 campers and culinary staff baked, chopped, kneaded and mixed lots of yummy creations this summer! See the 2025 Wico Cookbook here! A HUGE thank you to Sandra, our Cooking Activity Head, for creating this amazing cookbook!



### WE WELCOME YOU TO WICO CAMP

## **First Session**

#### Oski

Eloise C. Colby M. Jolie R.

#### **Eagle**

Maya C. Cece H. Victoria L. Maria Julia S.

#### Casco

Annelies C. Anjali M. Kate O. Avery Y.

#### Kineo

Lucy C.W. Kira M. Alexa P.

#### Coo

Cora D. Mariana M.

#### **Agawan**

Ana B. Lily B. Caroline W.

#### Zuni

Auvi H.

## **Second Session**

#### Oski

Blake C.M. Dahlia G.

#### **Casco**

Meriwether B.
Sofia D.
Georgia H.
Ruby K.
Sloane K.C.

#### Coo

Mia C.
Hayden D.
Ayla G.
Livi K.C.
Eleanor T.

#### **Kineo**

Constanza M.
Chloe P.

# Note: This list is a list of first-time campers as of November 5th. Each first-time camper will be included in one addition of the Wicosutan.

#### **Eagle**

Harlow Mae B.
Isabella C.
Peyton K.
Cora M.
Cecily M.
Madeline W.
Olivia Z.

#### **Agawan**

Nandini A Subhashini A. Priscilla's Puvales

**Rhyming Pairs** 

Can you figure out these (sometimes silly) Rhyming Pairs, after checking out the clues?

Example: A pale red beverage is a pink drink.

Clues	Rhyming Words Wingsta
1. Where you can find recipes for things to eat	
2. Unhappy father	
3. A small buzzing insect that is not wet	
4. An ill baby bird	
5. A lengthy tune	
6. A chubby feline	
7. Large group of noisy people	
8. Angry boy	
9. A water going vessel for a farm animal	
10. A story about a large mammal that lives in the ocean	
11. A stinging insect that does not cost money	
12. A rabbit that tells jokes	
13. At Wico, this team color in WCC or CW has a cheer about being unstoppable	

### **Coffee Chats with Catherine**

#### HEY WICO!

Even though Wico's 105th summer has ended, and the leaves are turning orange and red, this summer at Wico is still with us — in our hearts and our memories. As the air gets crisp and cozy, it's the perfect time to think back to everything that made this summer so special and to FALL in love with your camp memories!

Remember waking up to the 1<sup>st</sup> song of music trivia, racing to the dining hall for cinnamon rolls with your bunkmates, and cheering for your Wico Challenge Cup/Color War team until your voice was almost gone? Or jumping into Newfound Lake on a hot day, singing the Milk Song at campfire, or laughing so hard during your group's Panic evening activity that your cheeks hurt? Those moments are what make camp magical.



Maybe your favorite memory is from Trip Day — like watching a bear eat ice cream at Clark's Trading Post, racing down slides at Canobie Lake, or trying something new at camp for the very first time (tasting corn dogs at Carnival or trying archery). It could be the new friends you made, the silly talent show skits on stage at Prissy's Playhouse, or the quiet moments before bed at flashlight time with your bunkmates.

As you walk through crunchy fall leaves, wrap up in a Wico hoodie, or sip hot chocolate, take a second to smile and remember those summer moments. Camp might feel far away right now, but the memories stay close — and the countdown to Summer 2026 has already begun!

Love you a latte, Catherine

## Wico Cares

Each summer, Zuni campers lead our Project Morry Day of Giving. We want to thank our camp families (and friends) for their support in this endeavor. Collectively, we beat our 2024 total and raised OVER \$16,000 for Project Morry. We contributed to the \$140,000 raised collectively by all of the Camps Who Give. We are overwhelmed by everyone's generosity and the effort of our campers and counselors.





If you haven't made a donation to Project Morry and would like to do so, you may donate online at: <a href="https://www.projectmorry.org">www.projectmorry.org</a>. Please note "Camp Wicosuta" in the memo.

Project Morry is a year-round youth development organization that provides to each child a multi-year commitment anchored by a superb residential summer camp experience. The children, for whom these experiences would not otherwise be available, benefit from a network of support and gain increased social skills, enhanced self-esteem, positive core values and a greater sense of personal responsibility.

## STAFF SPOTLIGHT

In each issue of The Wicosutan, we spotlight staff who exemplify the Wico Way! They embody our Three Cs: Confidence, Competence & Community and make everyone at Wico better. We have chosen to spotlight the following staff this fall:

**Years at camp & Positions:** '24 Eagle & Kineo, '25 Agawan Counselor & Dance + Fitness

Hometown: Haverhill, Massachusetts

**When I Am Not at Camp I am....** the Studio Assistant at a premier ballet studio in Massachusetts.

**My inspiration for working as a camp counselor:** I loved my summer camp experience as a kid, and I wanted a chance to relive that a little, as well as give that experience to the kids I work with.

Place I Would Most Like to Visit: Acadia National Park

**Person I Look Up To & Why:** My little sister, Erin. She works so hard in college, and is really passionate about her future teaching profession.

**My go-to karaoke song or favorite song to sing along to is:** Either Back to Friends or 12 to 12, both by Sombr.

**Favorite Camp Meal or Snack:** This past summer, on Big Sandwich Day, there was a tofu sandwich that was excellent. I hope that it returns next year!

**Favorite Camp Memory:** Experiencing the day-to-day with my cabin and cocunselors. Camp is full of lots of big moments, but it's the small in-between ones that I tend to reminisce about.

**My advice for a first-time Wico camper is:** When in a new place, it's normal to miss home. Having a special stuffed animal or something that reminds you of your family can bring you a lot of comfort in those moments.



Alana Berard

Years at camp & Positions: '25 Kineo/Agawan counselor & Waterfront lifeguard

Hometown: Geelong Vic, Australia

When I Am Not at Camp I am... an educator in a kindergarten classroom.

**My inspiration for working as a camp counselor is:** To be able to make a difference in a child's life and teach them new skills to carry with them as they grow up.

Place I Would Most Like to Visit: Lapland, Finland

**Person I Look Up To & Why:** I look up to my parents as I have seen them work hard to achieve their dreams my whole life; they've inspired me to do the same.

My go-to karaoke song or favorite song to sing along to is: Stolen Dance by Milky Chance

Favorite Camp Meal or Snack: Fruit pizza

**Favorite Camp Memory:** When we come together as a camp and everyone is singing and embracing the camp community.

**My advice for a first-time Wico camper is:** Give every opportunity a go as it's how you meet new people, create lasting memories, and learn new skills.



Lizi Price

# KINGS & QUITINS & BISHOPS TOO, WANNA WISH THE BEST TO YOU!

Alexis C. 9/1 Penelope K. 9/2 Abigail B. 9/3 Parker S. 9/4 Nandini A. 9/5 Subhashini A. 9/5 *June L. 9/5* Romy M. 9/5 *Ellie P. 9/6* Anna F. 9/7 Emma J. 9/7 Alice H. 9/8 Molly M. 9.8 Nora T. 9/8 Harley R. 9/9 Ava S. 9/9 *Simone B. 9/10* Elena M. 9/10 Caroline A. 9/11 Ellie J. 9/11 Beatrice S. 9/11 *Cassie A. 9/12* Kaja S. 9/12 Raja S. 9/12 Cecily M. 9/14 Isabella B. 9/15 Isabella C 9/15 Sherry C. 9/16 Ella G. 9/16 Cristina A. 9/17 Rayna N. 9/18 Sonja P. 9/19 Charlie B. 9/20 Remi F. 9/20 Harper G. 9/22 Chloe K. 9/22 Nicki R. 9/22 Arabella V. 9/23

Eliza B. 9/24

Eliza B. 9/24 Teagan G. 9/24 Bekah P. 9/25 Eliza R. 9/26 *Sloane J. 9/27* Maya S. 9/28 Reese C. 9/29 Rowan C. 9/29 Lulu W. 9/30 Livi K.C. 10/1 *Violet E. 10/2* Kiara K. 10/4 Mia S.P. 10/5 *Addie B. 10/7* Lilv D. 10/7 Paige S. 10/7 Ella A. 10/8 Bea F. 10/8 Adele W. 10/8 *Harper C. 10/9* Abby H. 10/9 Syra K. 10/11 Lana P. 10/11 Aster S. 10/11 Juliette H. 10/12 Ayla G. 10/13 Cora M. 10/14 *Daphne M. 10/16 Catherine P. 10/16 Sydney S. 11/14* Ashley S. 10/16 Noa D. 10/17 Ella K. 10/17 Diana L. 10/17 Annie M. 10/17 Elsie C. 10/18 Felicity C. 10/19 Anika K. 10/19 Lorelei M. 10/19 Maya W. 10/19 Morgan H. 10/20 Lela K. 10/20 Anya S. 10/21 Brigid A. 10/22 Fiona A. 10/22 Thea R. 10/22 Mila H. 10/23 Hailey E. 10/24

Hailey W. 10/24

Vivienne W. 10/24

Rhea M. 10/26 Avery P. 10/26 Mera S. 10/27 Zoey T. 1<u>0/2</u>8 Lucy M. 10/29 Paige P. 10/29 Victoria L. 10/31 Sofia I. 11/1 Seraphina V. 11/1 *Teddy F. 11/2 Olivia S. 11/2 Dylan E. 11/3 Rowan B. 11/5* May Z. 11/5 Talia W. 11/6 Bianca C. 11/7 Ella H. 11/7 Charlie M. 11/7 Luna M. 11/8 Charley H. 11/9 Eden R. 11/9 Amartha U. 11/9 Bridget F. 11/10 *Sadie I. 11/10* Eliza C. 11/11 Clara W. 11/11 *Ines A. 11/13 Jolie R. 11/13* Aila B. 11/15 Scarlett N. 11/15 Grav P. 11/16 *Jillian S. 11/18* Emilia O. 11/19 *Emilia G. 11/20* Ellie R. 11/22 Zoe S. 11/22 Lila R. 11/24 *Mary S. 11/24* Olivia B. 11/25 Olivia C. 11/25 Isobel K. 11/25 Mariana M. 11/25 *Alanna B. 11/26 Claire C. 11/26* Lanie W. 11/26 Amelia M. 11/28

Livy O. 11/28

Martina H.A. 11/30 Malena W. 12/30

Sarah C. 12/5 Claudia M. 12/5 Keira O. 12/5 Maria Julia S. 12/5 Chloe J. 12/6 Sonya G. <u>12/</u>7 Laura K. 12/7 Maria Sophia C. 12/8 Sophia B. 12/9 Ella P. 12/9 Audrey M. 12/10 Thea G. 12/11 Ines M. 12/11 Milly S. 12/11 Mia L. 12/12 Eve A. 12/13 *Isabel B. 12/13* Ashley H. 12/13 Cora D. 12/13 Olivia Z. 12/13 Sally B. 12/15 *Colette F. 12/15* Aliza B. 1<u>2/1</u>6 Nicola G. 12/17 Ines R. 12/17 Chloe F. 12/18 Giuliana K. 12/18 Caroline W. 12/18 Amelia G.P. 12/19 Noa L. 12/19 Clare C. 12/20 Veronica W. 12/20 Liliana L. 12/21 Emily V. 12/21 *Tiwa A. 12/22 Aria G. 12/22* Cami W. 12/22 Isabella B. 12/24 *Lizzie S.G. 12/25 Violet F. 12/26* Erin L. 12/26 Lily K. 12/27 Mia C. 12/28 Auvi H. 12/28 Alexis M. 12/29 *Vivienne A. 12/30* Avery C. 12/30 Edith L. 12/30

#### **STAFF**

Ella B. 9/1

Sammy K. 9/1 Alp A. 9/4 Ellen F. 9/5 Matias G. 9/6 Murph M. 9/9 Abi E. 9/17 Zoev C. 9/19 Lucy M. 9/20 Orsi J. 9/23 Haddy S. 9/24 Miriam L.M. 9/25 Amath N. 9/28 Sam W. 9/28 Cici S. 9/29 Rose C. 10/1 Chloe F. 10/2 Olivia F. 10/5 Attila H. 10/6 Nina F. 10/10 Belle B. 10/12 Annie D. 10/16 Zsofi H. 10/16 Eliz H. 10/22 Hilary J. 10/22 Pamela 10/28 *Javi R. 10/30 Katy C. 11/1* Gaby G. 11/2 Stephany C.A. 11/2 Tony A. 11/3 Ellie F. 11/4 Fabiola C.P. 11/9 Ada M. 11/10 Ally T. 11/12 Lizbeth S.M. 11/15 Molly C. 11/15 Sophie D. 11/18 Lizi P. 11/20 Kate L. 11/21 Janney H. 11/27 Abbie L. 11/29

Ava D. 12/16

Carli M. 12/31

Claire M. 12/24

Mariana R.B. 12/24 Mike N. 12/26 Lola G. 12/27 Aurora N. 12/28 Ariella S. 12/29 Elisa D. 12/29 Belle G. 12/29 Allie H. 12/31







### Community Celebrations & Updates!

Congrats to Jess Moore or her recent wedding to Zack! Jess was Wico's Communications Coordinator for many years. Jess was joined by Wico staff members and one, Hilary Judd, officiated the wedding!



#### Hi Corey,

I have been meaning to share with you...I had a fun Wico connection at Cornell this year! Jon (my brother) became good friends with Amelia Leone (Totem '21), and we realized we both went to Wico! When I was saying goodbye to Jon's friends at the end of the year, Amelia and I took a Wico pic. Hope you enjoy!!







Congrats to one of our camp nurses, CiCi
Sorrells, on her recent engagement and wedding!





Hello Corey, Justin & Carly,

This is Athena Marcell. I was a Totem in 2018! I met one of my best friends at Wico in 2012 as Cascos, Chloe Bancel. She continued until Agawan year. Our Wico friendship has always lasted though. We are now both roommates and recently graduated from Villanova University. Chloe and I wanted to express our gratitude to Wico for bringing us together and leading to now celebrate graduating together.

All love, Athena Marcell

## Join us in welcoming future Wico camper, Margot Meltzer! Congratulations to new mom and Wico director, Carly!



### Margot Reese Meltzer

October 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2025 at 4:24 pm 7 lbs 6 oz 20.25 inches



### **CAMP SISTER PROGRAM**



First Time Wico Girls, one of the hallmarks of your first summer of camp is getting your Big Sister! We will share her information with you in late Feburary/early March!

Returning Agawans, Zunis and Totems, this is for you! We start our matches with returning Agawans—being a Big Sister is part of their community leadership! Returning Zunis and Totems will be our next groups to match up; we will look to Kineos and Eagles as needed. Please note: If you have already been a big sister, you can be one again! Please email <a href="mailto:catherine@campwicosuta.com">catherine@campwicosuta.com</a> to volunteer and for more info!

Email fun news about celebrations, activities, school, camp sleepovers, etc. to <a href="mailto:corey@campwicosuta.com">corey@campwicosuta.com</a>. We'll include your news in the next edition of The Wicosutan.

# WHAT'S NEW AT WICO?

Camp may be closed for the season, but the work at camp never ends! Shawn, Mark and Dan are hard at work cleaning, building, painting and planning for Summer 2026! Here is a preview of the big projects planned for 2026:

- Tennis/Pickle Courts: We are converting Wico's clay courts to hard courts with pickleball lines! The new courts will be painted to match our other courts. Once the courts are done, we will add shade, seating, and landscaping.
- Pool: Our pool is getting a new liner and heater which means a smoother bottom of the pool and warmer swim periods.
- Outback bathroom improvements: Our bathroom upgrade project has crossed the bridge. We will begin updating bathrooms in the Outback (Bunks 20-24) and Siberia (Bunks 16-18) this summer to be completed over the next couple of years!
- Dining Hall back deck: We look forward to a brand new dining hall back deck for Summer 2026!

Outside of these projects, the team has already repainted the Outback bunks, horse tables, as well as every picnic table and Adirondack chair in camp!

# Autumn at Wico











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# Important Dates

First Session Full & Explorer Session Begin	Wednesday, June 24th
First Session Explorer Program Ends	Tuesday, July 7th
First Session Ends	Saturday, July 18th
Second Session Full & Explorer Session Begin	Tuesday, July 21st
Second Session Explorer Program Ends	Monday, August 3rd
Second Session Ends	Friday, August 14th

We send emails throughout the year to campers and their families.

Please keep us posted of new email addresses and send updates to:

catherine@campwicosuta.com! Thanks!