

# THE WICOSUTAN

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Late Winter Edition 2018



## A Letter from the Directors



Corey & Justin

Dear Wico Campers, Staff, Parents & Alumnae,

Greetings from Wico! As much as we love the snow, we are ready for summer sun and cannot wait to be up at camp in just a few months! In fact, we just returned from a family trip to camp and it looks beautiful! There is snow on the ground, ice on the lake and camp has never been prettier! Walking around camp gets us even more excited about the summer of 2018!

Speaking of, both our Florida and Los Angeles area reunions were terrific! Justin, Jess & Carly loved meeting lots of first time camp families and reuniting with returning camp families. It was awesome to watch our seasoned campers share their Wico knowledge with all of our new campers. Thanks to all of you for being wonderful ambassadors of the Wico Community. Your spirit, enthusiasm and love of camp are contagious.

In the months leading up to camp we will be busy speaking with many of you. As questions arise, don't hesitate to ask! Rest assured that questions that may feel silly are, in fact, often the most important to ask. Remember that you are likely not the only one wondering about packing, bunking, camp food or laundry—to name a few! We're looking forward to another wonderful summer and to speaking to you as we all gear up!



Lots of Wico Love,

Corey & Justin

As you think about prepping and packing for camp, please keep these Wico needs in mind. We are looking for donations of the following items for camp:

Gently used costumes for Wico drama and paperback and hardcover books appropriate for ages 7-16 for Wico's library, aka "The Giving Tree".

### DONATIONS OF BOOKS AND COSTUMES MAY BE:

- 1 Packed in campers' luggage, or
- 2 Mailed to either our New York (through May 14) or New Hampshire offices (May 15-August 16).
- 3 If you live locally (Westchester, NYC or SW Connecticut) and are in the neighborhood, feel free to stop by and drop off donations OR let us know and we'll collect them when we're in your neighborhood!

**THANKS, IN ADVANCE, FOR YOUR HELP!**



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# CAMPER CORNER

We love to hear news from campers. Email fun news about celebrations, activities, school, camp sleepovers, etc. to [corey@campwicosuta.com](mailto:corey@campwicosuta.com). We'll include your news in the next edition of *The Wicosutan*.



**Audrey Heidingsfelder** and **Livia Shrednick** recently met up at Symphony Space in Manhattan for a reading and discussion celebrating Judy Blume's 80th birthday! They had a terrific time and sent us a photo showing their Wico Pride!



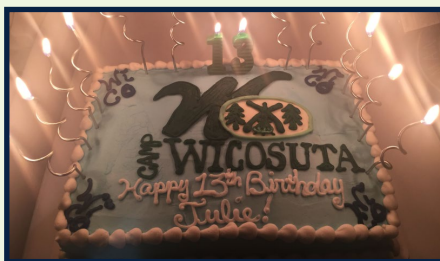
**Amelia Dougherty** recently bumped into her bunk-mate **Zoe Georgantas** on the slopes in Vermont. It was completely random and the girls loved catching up! Thanks for the great photo, ladies!



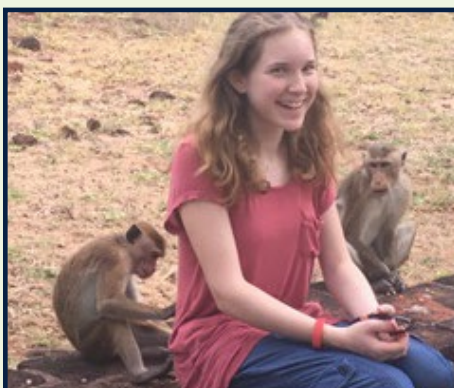
Dear Corey & Justin,

**Alex Orlinsky, Abbie Orlinsky** and I went to Estero, Florida to compete at Eastern Sectionals for Synchronized Skating. We had our best skates of the season with the Orlinsky's ranking 8th on the East Coast!

Love, **Lillian Ravikoff**



**Julie Weinstein** celebrated her 13th birthday in December. Camp is such a big part of her life that her mom decided to make a Wico-specific birthday cake. Check out these awesome photos of Julie showing her Wico spirit on her birthday!



**Jaydie** and **Janney Halperin** went on an incredible trip to Sri Lanka and sent us these photos showing their Wico Pride. Thanks, ladies! It looks like it was a memorable and special trip!

# WHERE IN THE WORLD WAS CARLY?!



CARLY

## Hey Wico, Hey What?!

This time of year, is always exciting. I spend a lot of my day talking to perspective staff members, and many will be at camp for Summer 2018! I just returned from a week-long trip to hire some of our international staff. In seven days I explored four cities in four different countries and hired 19 awesome staff who will be joining us for the upcoming summer! It was a whirlwind tour and I am so excited for you to meet them this summer.

I thought it might be fun to have you figure which cities I visited, and, in the process, learn a little about each place. Below are some facts and clues, to help you figure out where I was and more importantly where some of your counselors are coming from!

### Stop 1:

I was in a city, in the country at right:

- While they speak English in this country they use funny terms like "bits n bobs", "half past", "leg it", "knackered" and "gobsmacked"
- I was in the same city with people named Elizabeth, William, Harry, Charlotte, Kate and Charles
- When I needed to know the time, I looked for Ben



### Stop 2:

I was in a city, in the country at right:

- Andy Murray (tennis player) is from the country I visited, but a different city
- One of its most famous landmarks in this city is a castle that was built on an extinct volcano
- This city has 112 parks! That's a lot of green space to play landsports and run awesome evening activities like Gold Rush!



### Stop 3:

I was in a city, that is in the country of the flag at right:

- Paprika is a widely used spice in this countries cuisine
- I was in the capital city of this country, but it wasn't always the capital
- This city is actually two cities in one, with the Danube river dividing it!



### Stop 4:

I was in a city, that is in the country of the flag at right:

- This country also has some famous tennis players. Martina Navratilova hails from here
- He isn't from this city, but you can see John Lennon here
- If you visit this city you must visit its famous bridge, castle and the Dancing House.




Think you know where I was? You can find the answers at the bottom. One of the best parts about Wicosuta is we have counselors AND campers from all over the world. It is always exciting to learn about where everyone is from when we get to camp.

Want to say hi? Feel free to email me [carly@campwicosuta.com](mailto:carly@campwicosuta.com).



**From the lakes, from the hills, from the sky, Carly**

**ANSWERS**  1. London 2. Edinburgh 3. Budapest 4. Prague

## From Justin:

“And the call goes out all across Wico-land....”

Each night at flag lowering, I make a call to the camp community to see if anyone lost a tooth. It's a very spirited, exciting time at flagpole!! We have started asking the same of campers during the “off-season”/ school year. Although there is no nightly call or weekly update, we publish names of those who lose teeth in our newsletter.

Campers, when you lose a tooth, please email me at [justin@campwicosuta.com](mailto:justin@campwicosuta.com). But, remember, just like at camp, teeth need to fall out naturally (no vinegar or extra sugar allowed).



**If you lose a tooth during the school year, please send an email to me at [justin@campwicosuta.com](mailto:justin@campwicosuta.com) and I will include your name in the next edition.**

# Joking Around

## WITH JESS



Hey Wico!

February is here! Not only is February the shortest month of the year, but this year it is the month of the Winter Olympics! The Winter Olympics will run for most of the month, from the opening ceremony on the 9th to the closing ceremony on the 25th. By then, it will be almost 100 days until the start of our First Session! Although the winter months may seem long, summer will be here soon! Until then, here are some exciting things to look forward to:

### February 9th: National Pizza Day

One of my go-to foods is a slice of pizza. Sometimes I love a plain slice, but my current favorite has chicken, tomatoes, and mozzarella cheese on top! The first night of camp, we always have pizza for dinner. It's like a fun added bonus to the start of camp, not only do I get to see all of you in the dining hall once again, but I also get to have one of my favorite foods for dinner!



### February 9th: The Winter Olympics kick off in PyeongChang, South Korea!

At this year's Olympic Games, athletes are expected from 92 countries including athletes from 6 countries new to the games. This year, Ecuador, Eritrea, Kosovo, Malaysia, Singapore, and Nigeria will be competing in the Olympics for the very first time! At the very first Winter Olympics in 1924, there were only 14 nations competing! Across 15 sports, there are 102 gold medals to be awarded, which is more than any other Winter Olympics ever! My favorite sport to watch is the pairs figure skating, what about you? If you want to see some of the local New Hampshire athletes competing, check out our Facebook and Instagram pages each week to see an athlete spotlight! We held a special Olympic Day at Wico in 2016—we brought in a former Olympic athlete—fun was had by all!



### February 22nd: National Chili Day

While it's usually too hot in the summer to want chili, it makes a great winter food! In our winter office, we celebrate National Chili day by hosting a chili cook off with some other camps to see who can make the best chili. Wico didn't win last year, but I've been working on my recipe for this year! We'll see who wins! If you have a favorite recipe, let me know!



### March 4th: The Oscars

On this night, the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences will hold their 90th annual Oscar awards to honor the best films of the past year. The categories include Best Picture and Best Actress, but they also have a categories for Best Makeup and Hair, Best Visual Effects, Best Original Song and Best Costume Design. This year, there are 9 movies nominated for Best Picture, so I have a lot of movie watching to do before the Awards! We also watch movies at camp each summer—we keep a supply on hand for birthdays and special movie nights. Email me your favorites for camp this summer!



That's all for now! Send me an email to let me know what you look forward to in the coming months at [jess@campwicosuta.com](mailto:jess@campwicosuta.com). See you next year!

**Peace, Love, & Wico, Jess**



# WE WELCOME YOU TO WICO CAMP



## WE'RE EXCITED TO WELCOME THE FOLLOWING NEW CAMPERS FOR SUMMER 2018...

### FIRST SESSION

The Oskis welcome **Dora Jin** from Shanghai, China! Dora loves sports and cannot wait for her first overnight camp experience! **Daphne Spies** hails from Chicago, IL and heard about Wico from longtime camper, **Lucy Cronin**! Welcome, Daphne! The Cascos are excited to welcome **Yiyi Dong** to their group. Yiyi goes to the Shanghai American School. She speaks both English and Mandarin and looks forward to her first Wico experience! Following in the footsteps of her big sister, **Sandra Gutierrez**, is **Lucila "Lu" Gutierrez** from Mexico City! Lu is super excited that it's finally her turn to come to camp. Welcome, Lu! **Gracie Shen** enjoyed her last few years at Wico so much that she told her cousin, **Mary Jin** (big sister of Dora) about Wico. Mary cannot wait to be at camp with her sister and cousin this summer! **Silvana "Sil" Murat** and **Luciana Hidalgo Peralta** (of Mexico City) are excited for their first summers at Wico! They are friends from home and join Luciana's big sister, **Gia Peralta**, at camp this summer! **Isabella Wu** heard about Wico from second session camper, **Ita Wang**. We thank Ita for sharing her Wico Love! Welcome, Isabella! The Coos are lucky to have **Celia Blechinger** of Weston, CT! Celia's brother is going to Camp Tecumseh this summer. They both look forward to their New Hampshire camp experiences this summer! Joining the group from Brooklyn, NY is **Sophia Lowe**! Sophia is a serious soccer player and looks forward to participate in that and all of our other sports at camp! We look forward to having you, Sophia! The Eagle group will get a bump from **Allie Diaz** of Lake Worth, FL! Allie participates in cheer at home and looks forward to working on her tumbling in gymnastics this summer! We have **Marissa Sanchez** to thank for sharing her Wico experiences with Allie! **Kendall Krauser** is excited to participate in drama, swimming and arts, to name a few! She hails from Short Hills, NJ and looks forward to having her first overnight camp experience this summer! **Cristina Selman** joins a long line of former Wico girls at the Carol Morgan School. This Santo Domingo, DR native, is ready for camp and cannot wait for all of the fun to begin! The Kineos are excited to get to know **Monique Alberty** of Key Biscayne, FL! Monique heard about Wico from **Dani Perez** and decided to give camp a try. We cannot wait to get to know her this summer! Thanks, Dani! Coming to camp from Tulsa, OK is **Sophia LaButti**! Sophia enjoys basketball and tennis. She looks forward to trying those and lots of other activities this summer at camp. Welcome, Sophia! **Julianne Resnick** has heard wonderful things about Wico for a few years, most recently from **Natalie Delson**, **Carly Liebenthal**, and the **Siegal Family**! Julianne brings her artistry to Wico from New York City—Welcome, Julianne! The Agawan group will be joined by **Chloe Lopez** of New Canaan, CT! Chloe is a great girl and a good friend. She likes lacrosse and swimming and is willing to try anything. See you soon, Chloe!

### FIRST SESSION EXPLORERS INCLUDE:

**OSKIS:** **Gillian Griffin** joins us from Newport, RI! She is excited to play lots of sports as well as participate in dance and Wico Extreme! **Reine Honts** heard about Wico from long time Wico girls **Olivia Berger** and **Rania Challita**! Reine is a competitive gymnast and comes to us from The Big Apple! **Elizabeth Resnick** (little sister of Julianne) is excited about her first summer at Wico—she wants to try waterskiing and lots of other new things while at camp! She lives in New York City! Welcome, Elizabeth!

**CASCOS:** **Noa Magasiner**, of Greenwich, CT, toured Wico last summer and liked what she saw! We are glad you decided to join us, Noa! Noa told her cousin, **Maya Nissan**, about Wico and she will join us this summer, too! Maya lives in Orlando, FL, and enjoys dance, gymnastics and swimming!

### SECOND SESSION

The Oskis welcome **Zoe Seidenstein** from Bethesda, MD! Zoe heard about Wico from **Mary Loreto**—thanks, Mary! Welcome, Zoe! A big Casco Hello to

**Samantha Lopez** of New Rochelle, NY! Samantha has heard about Wico for years from her big sister, **Selene Lopez**, a new Wico alum! The wait is over Samantha—welcome to camp! **Clementine O'Hara** (NYC) heard lots of great things about Wico from the **Kosoy Family**—thanks, ladies! Clemmy cannot wait to make friends at Wico this summer! The Coos welcome **Lucy Benno** from Hastings-on-Hudson, NY! Lucy is eager to try horseback riding and to continue to pursue some of her favorite activities including gymnastics and swimming! Welcome to Wico, Lucy! **Angel Wu** hails from Shanghai, China and will call Hebron, NH her summer home! Angel is excited to try all of our activities and participate in lots of Wico traditions—we know you will love them, Angel! The Eagles are excited about **Lila Beckerman** of Gladstone, NJ! Lila enjoys riding, sports and board games and looks forward to her first Wico summer. Welcome, Lila! **Mina Feldman** (Cambridge, MA) heard about Wico from her big sister, **Natalie Gersen**! She loves to ice skate and do anything on the water. Welcome to Wico, Mina! **Paley Kirschner** brings acting "chops" to Wico from Armonk, NY! Paley will add a dose of spirit and energy to her group and we are lucky to have her! Joining the group from Mexico City, Mexico is **Camila Pimental**! Camila attends the Juniper School and looks forward to spending her summer in Hebron, NH! **Charlotte Stebich** comes to us from Scarsdale, NY! Softball is her favorite sport and she also enjoys arts and crafts. She is an experienced day camper and is psyched to try sleepaway this summer! **Lindsey Yen** is a team player (specifically soccer and lacrosse) from Bethlehem, PA! She heard lots of great things about Wico from the **Carosella** girls and decided to give camp a try. We are glad to have you, Lindsey! We are fortunate to have **Sienna Greenleaf** joining the Agawans from Bethesda, MD! When she isn't playing sports or riding horses, Sienna loves being with friends. We are so glad to have you in our group of friends, Sienna! A big Zuni welcome to **Phoebe Mulder** of Sheffield, MA! Phoebe's warm and friendly nature makes her a great addition to the Zuni group! We are lucky to have **Isabelle Zak** of Brooklyn, NY! Isabelle heard about Wico for years from her friend and Wico alum, **Emily Friedman**. Thanks, Emily! Isabelle is a great addition to the group and we look forward to seeing her at Wico in July!

### SECOND SESSION EXPLORERS INCLUDE:

**OSKIS:** **Lyla Tucker** brings her energy and sense of humor to the group from Chappaqua, NY! She is eager to try new things and we can't wait for her to get started!

**CASCOS:** **Alex Piperno** (Greenwich, CT) heard about Wico from **Charlotte Milligan** and decided to join us! She enjoys soccer, tennis and chess, as well as robotics! She is a great addition to our community! **Alyssa Holmes** (NY, NY) enjoys tennis, gymnastics and speech/performance. She has attended day camp in past summers and is excited for sleepaway! Welcome to Wico, Alyssa! **Skelly Lewis**, who heard about Wico from **Alex Piperno**, loves lots of activities including dance, soccer, reading and writing. We look forward to having her at camp this summer!

**COOS:** **Ines Banos**, of Mexico City, got a dose of Wico Love from **Araceli, Andrea** and **Lucia Prado**, and decided to join in the fun! **Lia Cieplucha** of Huntington Beach, CA heard about Wico from her friend and first session camper, **Carolina Abahusayn**. Lia loves to perform - she dances, plays tennis, swims, etc. and we know she will love doing all of those things at Wico! **Merrill Cutler** (Radnor, PA), is following in the footsteps of her big brother who goes to neighboring Camp Tecumseh! We are glad that you chose Wico, Merrill! **Logan Hinckle** caught her Wico fever from her big sister, and current Wico girl, **Dwyer Hinckle**! Thanks, Dwyer - welcome, Logan! **Bella Luna** of Newport Beach, CA is a great friend. She enjoys softball, dance and singing and cannot wait for Summer #1 at Wico!

# Kings n' Queens n' Bishops, too, Wanna wish the best to you!!

## CAMPER BIRTHDAYS - MARCH, APRIL & MAY

Elizabeth Trachsel.....3/1	Grace Michel.....4/1	Alyssa Dickstein.....5/1
Sienna Greenleaf.....3/2	Zoi ½ Robb.....4/1	Zoe Weiss.....5/2
Valentina Kuschnir.....3/2	Dylan Krsulich.....4/2	Ryan Leshner.....5/3
Alexis Haskins.....3/3	Ella Teichberg.....4/2	Miriam Tarlow.....5/3
Lilian Chase.....3/4	Emily Greenhow.....4/3	Paloma Hostin.....5/4
Lauren Davis.....3/4	Reese Bosonac.....4/5	Tessa Fastiff.....5/5
Abigail Pauls.....3/4	Maddie Polsky.....4/5	Amory Gordon.....5/5
Camila Pimentel.....3/4	Madeline Ross.....4/5	Abigail Limbird.....5/5
Lauren Siegel.....3/4	Rania Challita.....4/6	Lucy Cutler.....5/6
Sydney Hecht.....3/6	Ann Najork.....4/6	Philomena Topham.....5/6
Tess Rich.....3/8	Elizabeth Najork.....4/6	Olivia Berger.....5/7
Tara Kamshad.....3/9	Haley Forman.....4/7	Aubrey Weygant.....5/8
Chloe Lopez.....3/9	Quinn Farmer.....4/8	Maya Zilberstein.....5/8
Mia Lynn.....3/9	Izzy Intrater.....4/8	Sofia Nunez.....5/9
Sydney Appelbaum.....3/10	Lulu Malik.....4/8	Lila Beckerman.....5/10
Avery Manley.....3/10	Siying Zhou.....4/8	Jordan Dattoma.....5/10
Emae Forman.....3/12	Gabrielle Dowling.....4/10	Chloe Clement-Finkel.....5/11
Silvana Murat.....3/12	Ava Lewis.....4/10	Nina Driscoll.....5/11
Marlowe Ross.....3/12	Marin Shea.....4/10	Coco Stenzler.....5/11
Daniella Bregman.....3/13	Riley Swerdloff.....4/13	Francesca Gajarsa.....5/12
Emma Hardyman.....3/13	Philomena Dellasalla.....4/14	Mary Loreto.....5/12
Sylvie Watts.....3/13	Sophie Chau.....4/17	Sofia Najri.....5/13
Zoe Jones.....3/14	Emma Frank.....4/17	Natalie Brenner.....5/14
Sarah Doane.....3/15	Sydney Frank.....4/17	Eliana Eichman.....5/14
Lindsey Yen.....3/15	Camryn Herman.....4/18	Sydney Piccoli.....5/14
Amaya Mejia.....3/17	Charlotte Appel.....4/19	Avery Kurzontkowski.....5/16
Sarah Hecker.....3/19	Abigail Gerstein.....4/19	Caroline Sosler.....5/17
Tess O'Brien.....3/20	Lexi Mason.....4/19	Julia Winter.....5/17
Jadyn Schwartz.....3/20	Shira Huemer.....4/20	Yonsu Park.....5/18
Livia Shrednick.....3/20	Lucy Elliott.....4/22	Siyi Jin.....5/19
Madison Zeltzer.....3/20	Savannah Maldonado.....4/22	Andie Kanarek.....5/19
Carly Knutzen.....3/23	Lauren Miller.....4/22	Ana Garces.....5/20
Zoe Georgantas.....3/24	Kate Lavin.....4/23	Sophia Jarvis.....5/22
Julia Kurzontkowski.....3/24	Georgia Hoseman.....4/24	Lily Kurtz.....5/22
Sophie Miller.....3/24	Madera Lipson.....4/24	Sophie Myers.....5/22
Lyla Whitenack.....3/25	Annabel Mattia.....4/24	Samantha Luper.....5/23
Sydelle Bernstein.....3/26	Roxy Shapiro.....4/24	Corinne Page.....5/23
Samantha Hecker.....3/26	Daphne Spies.....4/24	Katherine Dolgonos.....5/25
Marine Robert.....3/26	Maria Garces.....4/25	Sophia Lowe.....5/25
Olivia Agnew.....3/27	Hannah Satran.....4/25	Olivia Silva.....5/25
Grace Hudson.....3/29	Athena Paasch.....4/26	Tara Valas.....5/25
Morgan Daily.....3/30	Isabella Velarde.....4/26	Helen Culman.....5/26
Camille Newman.....3/30	Katherine Ventura.....4/27	Liliana Greyf.....5/26
Kayla Castillo.....3/31	Katie Funk.....4/28	Elle Mason.....5/27
Elizabeth Small.....3/31	Sadie Katzner.....4/28	Olivia Cohen.....5/28
Tessa Tobias.....3/31	Morgan Hecht.....4/29	Eliza Liles.....5/28
Cordelia Cieplucha.....4/1	Lucy Benno.....4/30	Avery Mattoon.....5/28



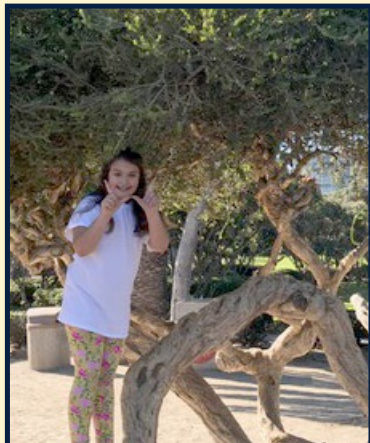
Waverly Nanda.....5/29
Zoe Schwartz.....5/29
Celia Blechinger.....5/30
Lily Lamelas.....5/30
Sophie Silverstein.....5/30
Tess Taetle.....5/30
Zoe Weber.....5/31

## WICO STAFF BIRTHDAYS...



Hollie Hamilton.....3/4
Enrique Bernal.....3/9
Elanna Tolz.....3/14
Samantha Brider.....3/16
William Wharton.....3/17
Sadye Treadway.....3/18
Marketa Vldarova.....3/31
Noemi Gyongyosi.....3/31
Alysha Hetherington.....4/18
Nathalia Sato.....4/27
Villo Karajz.....4/27
Anna Preece.....5/3
Lilla Uszkay.....5/3
Yhosuara Galeana.....5/11
Alyssa Costa.....5/12
felix diaz.....5/13
Kelsey Chaon.....5/13
Sonny Durr.....5/16
Lisa Benedetti.....5/17
Vendula Mirosova.....5/22
Aster Jones.....5/23
Taylor Colangelo.....5/27

# Where In the World is Wico??



Gemma Rawson, San Diego CA



Gemma and Cailley Rawson, San Diego CA



Betsy Fridman and Liliana Greyf, Jamaica



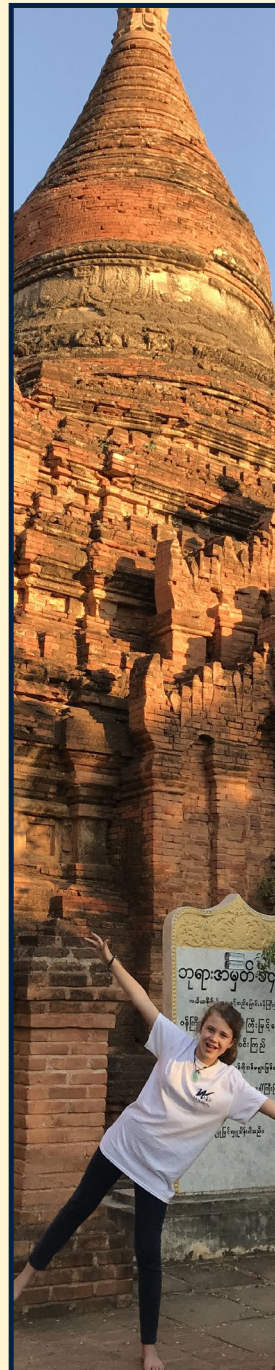
Charley Halperin, Cancun Mexico



Natalie Brenner, Jerusalem, Israel



Isabella Small, Montana USA



Marine Robert, Bagan, Myanmar

**Note: To be pictured in this section, send us a photo of yourself IN WICO GEAR while on a trip or vacation in front of a famous monument. We also post these photos in the Dining Hall!**

## Celebrations!

Congratulations to **Maia Donath** on her recent Bat Mitzvah!

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Former head counselor, **Emily Bowles Mazzone** and her husband Vince are new parents! **Olivia Madeline Mazzone** was born on Christmas Day!



Emily, Vince and Olivia Mazzone

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In other baby news, Wico's head nurse, **Joanne DeLorm**, is a grandmother again to **Jak Matthew Krohn!**



**NOTE: We love to hear about all of the celebrations in your life. Please email any special dates, celebrations, births, engagements, etc. to [corye@campwicosuta.com](mailto:corye@campwicosuta.com).**

# Florida Reunion Pics!

Justin and Carly had a great time connecting with returners and first-timers at our January reunion in Florida. Everyone had a great time eating ice cream, playing cards, and talking about summer! Check out these amazing photos!



Stay tuned for photos of our February reunion in Los Angeles in the next edition of *The Wicosutan*!

# Alumnae & Staff Updates

Hi Corey!

Hope you have had a great winter and a happy start to the New Year! I just got back from a semester program in Switzerland! I have been away for three months and have missed camp so much! **Madeline Briddell**, who also went to Wico, was there with me!! Here is a pic of us in Venice!! Hope to see you soon!!

Xoxo,

**Dani Siegal**



Daniela Siegal and Madeline Briddell in Venice Italy

Hi Corey & Justin,

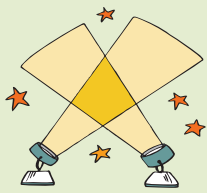
I have recently come across your website and remember fondly the summer I spent at Camp Wicosuta working in the kitchen in the summer of 1976. It is great to see the camp still going and providing a great summer for the campers.

Well done to all concerned!

Regards

**Peter George** (from England)





# Super Star Staff Spotlights!

## CINDY (CID) ALBON

**POSITION AT CAMP/YEARS:** Dance & Fitness, 2018 will be my second summer

**HOMETOWN:** Durban, Kwa-Zulu Natal, South Africa

**COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY & MAJOR:** Modern dance teaching Associate part 1

**BIRTHDATE:** February 4

**PETS:** 3 gorgeous cats and 3 Siamese fighting fish

**PERSON YOU WOULD MOST LIKE TO MEET:** Lindsey Sterling

**PLACE YOU WOULD MOST LIKE TO VISIT:** Paris, France!

**FAVORITE QUOTE:** "Not every day is sunshine and roses so we must learn to dance in the rain"-unknown

**FAVORITE SPORT/ACTIVITY:** Dance, definitely

**FAVORITE COLOR:** Blue

**FAVORITE FOOD:** Quesadillas

**FAVORITE SINGER:** Taylor Swift

**FAVORITE MALE ACTOR:** Johnny Depp

**FAVORITE FEMALE ACTOR:** Keira Knightly

**FAVORITE CAMP MEAL:** French toast sticks

**FAVORITE CAMP SONG:** "Bazooka Bubblegum"

**FAVORITE CAMP MEMORY:** Camp in general was my favourite memory, but if I had to choose I would say my favourite memory is eating in the dining hall when the entire hall erupts into different camp songs and camp song nominations!



Cindy Albon

## ALYSHA (ALY) HETHERINGTON

**POSITION AT CAMP/YEARS:** Camp Counselor/ Fitness instructor. Heading into my 2nd Wico summer this summer!

**HOMETOWN:** Nottingham, England

**COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY & MAJOR:** University of Lincoln - International Tourism Management

**BIRTHDATE:** April 18th

**PETS:** I sadly do not have any!

**PERSON YOU WOULD MOST LIKE TO MEET:** I'd say my favourite singers and Cristiano Ronaldo-- I am a massive soccer fan, and am still gutted that he left Manchester United.

**PLACE YOU WOULD MOST LIKE TO VISIT:** Hong Kong

**FAVORITE QUOTE:** Everything happens for a reason

**FAVORITE SPORT/ACTIVITY:** Soccer

**FAVORITE COLOR:** Baby blue

**FAVORITE FOOD:** Ooo, that's a hard one! My mum's homemade lasagna!

**FAVORITE SINGER:** I listen to loads of different artists, but at the moment I'd say Demi Lovato or Ariana Grande.

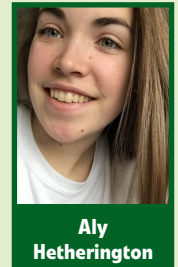
**FAVORITE MALE ACTOR:** I love action movies so, it's between Dwayne Johnson, Jason Statham or Vin Diesel - I can't choose.

**FAVORITE FEMALE ACTOR:** I watch a lot of TV and movies, so this is hard, but it's between - Ellen Pompeo, Sandra Oh, and Lily Collins.

**FAVORITE CAMP MEAL:** I don't have a specific one, but I loved breakfast at camp every day last summer!

**FAVORITE CAMP SONG:** Friends, friends, friends

**FAVORITE CAMP MEMORY:** There are so many to pick from!! Coaching the Eagles in Wico Challenge Cup, bunk times in Agawan 21, meeting all my best friends, and so many more. I could go on for days!



Aly Hetherington

## LILY (LIL) MARCUS

**POSITION AT CAMP/YEARS:** Landsports, and this will be my 8th summer at camp and my first as a staff member!

**HOMETOWN:** Newton, MA (right outside of Boston)

**COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY & MAJOR:** Tulane University, Marketing

**BIRTHDATE:** 01/13/1999

**PETS:** I have a golden retriever named Millie. She's 5 and very adorable.

**PERSON YOU WOULD MOST LIKE TO MEET:** I would love to meet Scarlett Johansson



Lily Marcus

**PLACE YOU WOULD MOST LIKE TO VISIT:** Australia

**FAVORITE QUOTE:** One of my favorite camp counselors would always tell us before we left for our activities, "Be your best self today!"

**FAVORITE SPORT/ACTIVITY:** I love to play volleyball, but I also love hip hop and knitting.

**FAVORITE COLOR:** Purple

**FAVORITE FOOD:** Artichokes

**FAVORITE SINGER:** Kehlani

**FAVORITE MALE ACTOR:** Hugh Grant

**FAVORITE FEMALE ACTOR:** Meryl Streep

**FAVORITE CAMP MEAL:** Tacos!

**FAVORITE CAMP SONG:** On a Mountain High

**FAVORITE CAMP MEMORY:** Stargazing on the tennis courts with friends



# Parents Information Page

Dear Parents of 1st Time Wico Girls,

Welcome to Wico! We're looking forward to getting to know your daughter this summer. Here is a list of FAQs and answers to help you prepare your daughter for a great summer at Wico! We will follow up with more FAQs in the May edition of The Wicosutan!



## FAQS OF FIRST-TIME WICO PARENTS

### **PACKING/CLOTHING/BAGGAGE:**

#### **How do I know when and what to pack for camp?**

The Wicosuta Apparel & Accessories catalog from The Camp Spot is a terrific packing/purchasing guide for this summer. If you have questions about specific items, please call us or The Camp Spot customer service line. We recommend ordering clothing early to ensure correct sizing. We also recommend booking a fitting appointment at one of the company's road shows! For more information and online ordering go to: [www.thecampspot.com](http://www.thecampspot.com).

#### **Are there certain things that "everyone has?" I want to make sure my daughter fits in and doesn't feel left out!**

As a general rule, there are few things at Wico that "everyone" has. We downplay competition and the value of "extra stuff", so please make packing decisions based on your child's needs. Please remember that Wico does not allow any boxed packages, so pack reading materials, playing cards and other things like that in your daughter's duffels, so that she has them at camp.

#### **Do I need to buy an egg crate for my daughter's bed?**

There's no need to buy an egg crate for your daughter. Our mattresses are comfortable. We only suggest an egg crate for camp if your daughter is used to sleeping on one at home.

#### **What size sheets fit best?**

Cot-sized sheets work best on our beds. Twin sized sheets will have a little extra room for a mattress pad, should your child want one. Cot sized sheets will fit snugly.

#### **Do I need to pack items for special events and evening activities, i.e. crazy hats, costumes, etc.?**

A favorite silly hat or tutu or another wacky accessory from home is great to send. First Session campers often bring red, white & blue clothing and accessories for the 4th of July. Lower Camp girls often bring something to wear for Monster Mash (our Halloween celebration over the summer). Other optional fun items to pack include: crazy socks and an unusual hat for our popular themed dinner. These items are not required. We have plenty of arts & crafts supplies for campers to create their own accessories for these events. In fact, some of the most original accessories we've seen over the years are those the girls make themselves!

#### **Do I need to pack special color-specific clothing for Wico Challenge Cup/Color War?**

Our packing list accounts for the need for team-colored t-shirts, so as long as you stick to our required clothing list your daughter will have what she needs. Additionally, each camper gets a team t-shirt in the appropriate color, so between what you pack and what we give her, your daughter will have what she needs.

#### **Does her sleeping bag really need to be one for outdoors?**

Your daughter's sleeping bag should be an outdoor bag, but does not need to be a "technical" sleeping bag designed to withstand winter weather.

#### **My daughter is in Lower Camp (grades 1-5), does she need Wico logo'd shorts?**

Our uniform, for lower camp campers, consists of a Wico logo'd t-shirt or tank top and athletic, non-designer shorts. Gym shorts from home are sufficient. Shorts do not need to be logo'd with our insignia.

#### **I know from reading The Camp Spot catalog that designer clothing and visible designer labels are not permitted at Wico. Does that include athletic brands like Nike, Adidas and Under Armor?**

Nike, Adidas and Under Armor are not our concern. Our goal is to decrease competition over clothing AND encourage girls to wear clothing appropriate for their camp activities. We discourage non-athletic designer labels like Abercrombie, American Eagle, etc. Clothing labeled with school logos is okay to wear at Wico.

#### **Do my daughter's bathing suits need to be athletic (i.e. Speedo)?**

All bathing suits must be one piece (no tankinis or monokinis). They do not need to be athletic brands like Speedo or TYR. It is important is to send suits that are appropriate to be worn when participating in swim and/or waterfront activities.

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## **PROGRAM**

### **Can my daughter change her schedule once she gets to camp?**

Applies to girls currently in 4th-9th grade: Yes. After each camper tries everything once on her schedule (and completes one 3-day rotation) she will have the opportunity to change her schedule.

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### **May I require my child participate in certain activities?**

Yes. Campers in 5th grade and up have total choice in their schedule. If there is an activity you want to make sure your child participates in please notify us on the Camper Information Form.

## **ADJUSTMENT TO CAMP**

### **How do I respond if my daughter says she is nervous about camp?**

Pre-camp nerves are normal for both first-time and returning campers. A good rule of thumb when discussing this with your child, is to take your cues from her, as opposed to suggesting things that might be bothering her. For lots of girls, having insight into the details of camp (and some of the information provided here) helps them feel more comfortable about the experience. It is helpful to remind girls that missing home, should they feel that way, is normal and makes sense because they feel comfortable at home. It often takes time to settle in to camp, but once they do, they will love the experience.

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### **What happens if my child cannot fall asleep?**

Just like sleeping in a hotel on vacation, it takes time to adjust to sleeping in a new bed and cabin. After the first few days, girls settle in and have no trouble falling asleep. In preparation for camp, we recommend encouraging your child to fall asleep without you or the help of electronic devices. If they read on a Kindle or iPad before bed at home, encourage them to switch to a book or music that may be played on a basic mp3 player. Girls have access to both music and paper books while at camp. Tell your daughter that her counselors will be happy to help with TLC before bed as needed.

## **FOOD**

We understand that having tasty, healthy food is important and it's one of our priorities! To that end, our goals are to provide a **VARIETY** of **HEALTHY** food that **KIDS LIKE TO EAT!**



***In addition to a main entrée and side dish served for each meal, we offer the following staples:***

**Breakfast:** Fresh fruit (including berries), yogurt (Greek and regular), milk, a variety of breads, hot and cold cereal, hard boiled eggs

**Lunch:** Fresh fruit, an extensive rotating salad bar, deli/sandwich bar, yogurt, hard boiled eggs

**Dinner:** Fresh fruit, an extensive rotating salad bar, deli/sandwich bar, plain pasta (white & whole wheat), yogurt, hard boiled eggs

\*\*\* We serve two healthy snacks - one mid-afternoon and the other before bed.

### **What do you do to make sure the food at camp is healthy?**

Lots of things! We collaborate with a nutritionist who reviews our menu and makes recommendations of meal choices, vegetarian options, snacks, etc. Wico does not fry any food. Additionally, we make as much from scratch (in our kitchen) as possible. We understand that having special treats is important every once in a while, too! We make time for campfire cookies and Snack Shack slushies once a week.

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### **What if my daughter can't find something she likes to eat?**

Should your daughter have trouble finding something she likes, she only needs to tell her counselor. Our counselors are happy to help campers find things that they'd like to eat.

*We encourage all parents to thoroughly read our parent handbook. In it we share our policies, procedures and other helpful and important information **We are, of course, available via phone or email to answer any additional questions!***



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## Camp Wicosuta Important Dates for Summer 2018

**First Session Begins** .....Saturday, June 23  
**First Session Explorer Begins**.....Thursday, July 5  
**First Session Programs End/Visiting Day** ..... Wednesday, July 18  
**Second Session Begins**.....Saturday, July 21  
**Second Session Explorer Program Begins**..... Thursday, August 2  
**Second Session Programs End/Visiting Day**.....Wednesday, August 15

## REMINDERS & UPDATES

We send emails throughout the year to campers and their parents. Please keep us posted of new email addresses and send updates to: [jess@campwicosuta.com](mailto:jess@campwicosuta.com)! Thanks!

## CAMP SISTER CORNER

A big thanks to the many returning campers who volunteered to act as "Big Sisters" to first-time Wico girls! If you have not already, please reach out to your little sister and introduce yourself. We know that she will love hearing from you!

