

# Pathfinder

## MARCH 2025



### GOLDEN WEST STAFF'S FAVORITE SPRING ACTIVITIES



Golden West staff shared their favorite springtime activities.

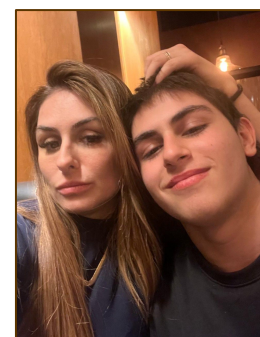
- **Mr. Escamilla, Mrs. Waters, Ms. Watson, & Mr. Bastian** like to hike. **Mr. Felsted, Ms. Cutler, Ms. Gage, Ms. Ruiz, Ms. Hallstrom, Mrs. Yocum, Mr. Navarro, & Mr. Vieira** all enjoy working in the yard, garden, planting flowers, etc. **Mr. Gluckmann and Mr. Ledesma** enjoy doing anything outdoors. **Ms. Martinez and Mrs. Williams** attend sporting events. **Mr. Raheb** enjoys car show season in the spring. **Mr. Perez** likes to train and run a half marathon. **Ms. Rubio** catches up with friends and attends concerts and **Ms. Travous** likes to watch and play basketball. **Mr. Mora** heads to the beach in the spring. **Ms. Lozano, Ms. Acevedo, and Mr. Pasquini** enjoy going on walks. **Mrs. Cullum's** favorite springtime activity is going to the St. Patrick's Day parade. **Mr. Verissimo** enjoys playing with his kids in the backyard and **Mr. Anders and Ms. Carrillo** also spend time with their families. **Mrs. Gibson** likes to sit outside at a cafe. **Mrs. Dodson, Mr. Isaacs, & Ms. Watson** like to golf in the spring. **Mrs. Delon** enjoys doing home improvement projects with her family and **Ms. Brown** likes to clean the house and get a fresh start in the spring. **Mrs. Thompson** draws life from the outdoors during the spring and **Mrs. Campbell (Ag)** loves the spring because baby lambs and goats are born at the school farm. **Mr. Cortez** takes drives on the weekends with the sun roof down, and **Ms. Padilla** spends time with her family in Ventura, CA during the spring.



### STUDENT SPOTLIGHT: TUENNY NUNES DO AMARAL TUFARIELLO



Tuenny (Tony) is an exchange student from São Paulo, Brazil. He is a junior and he will be at Golden West this semester and in the fall. São Paulo is the largest city in Brazil; Tuenny compares it to New York City in the United States. The student exchange program chose his placement location (Visalia, CA), and he was really happy to come to California! He says it's even better than he imagined. Tuenny really enjoys the music, movies, and school sports in California. School in Brazil is very different. Students attend classes from around 7:30am until 1:00pm and have one short break. Students stay in one classroom and the various teachers come to them. Students do not get to choose their classes in Brazil. They also do not have school sports. Tuenny misses his friends and family back home. He stays connected with them through WhatsApp and Instagram. Tuenny wants to encourage GW students to visit São Paulo if they have the opportunity. He also has some Brazilian musicians you should check out: Bezzeria Da Silva, Jorge Ben Jor, Raul Seixas, and Charlie Brown Jr.



Pictures of Tuenny and his parents to the right

## SPOTLIGHT ON FFA



FFA has loads of great things going on this spring. Three students placed in the sectional speaking contest and moved onto regionals on March 14th. Alondra Rivas-Gonzalez placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Job Interview Contest, Skye Martin placed 3 in the Impromptu Public Speaking, and Addison Tyler placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Prepared Public Speaking contest. Justine Florez will represent our FFA chapter at the 98<sup>th</sup> California FFA Leadership Conference as she presents her talent! She is in the top 12 contestants! At the World Ag Expo, GW Ag students learned about the state-of-the-art equipment that is leading the agriculture industry. They saw live demonstrations, learned about the products from leading experts, and supported local programs fundraising through the food booths. They were also able to visit with representatives of local and national agriculture programs from community colleges and universities. Also, a huge shout out to Caden Lawrence (12) who won first place at the Regional level for his Supervised Agricultural Experience project. He advanced to Regionals and took first place for the San Joaquin Region. He will compete at State Finals in April. Current FFA officers are President: Justine F, VP: Alondra R, Secretary: Addi T, Treasurer: Liseth R, Reporter: Kaylee G, Sentinel: Veronica F. They all have individual responsibilities, but they are mainly tasked with the daily operations of the FFA program, such as planning upcoming events and representing the chapter at many different events.



## SHOUT OUT TO THESE AWESOME STUDENTS

Shout out to Kolton Kille (10) from Mr. Villalobos. He said, "Kolton was the first Intro to Wood student to finish his shelf and jewelry box! He has a work ethic and understanding that will be able to take him far in any industry." Mr. Landry recognized Hilary Topete (12) by saying, "She always goes above and beyond as our ASB athletic commissioner! Her kindness, dedication to Golden West athletics, hard work, and ability to bring school spirit to life make her an absolute rockstar in ASB!" Mrs. Reid said that Maynor Ramirez (9) is "kind, funny, and is a hard worker." Ms. Mendoza wanted to recognize Elisha Grace Neric (9) saying, "She has been an amazing student! She always comes prepared to class, she is very respectful to her peers and the equipment, and she is hardworking in all of her assignments and projects."



Kolton Kille (10) top left  
Hilary Topete (12) top right,  
Maynor Ramirez (9) bottom  
left, Elisha Grace Neric (9)  
bottom right



## UPCOMING PERFORMANCES

Support Golden West dance and choir in their upcoming performances. Let's MOVIE take 2 dance show is March 20 & 21 at L.J. Williams Theater. Doors open at 6:00, and the performance begins at 7:00pm. The Choral Classics concert is on March 28 at First Presbyterian Church of Visalia. Doors open at 6:30 and the performance begins at 7:00pm. Links to purchase tickets to both events are below. Also, save the date for the GW spring musical West Side Story on April 10-12.



Link to purchase Choir Concert tickets:  
<https://app.arts-people.com/index.php?action=8&p=269>



Link to purchase Dance Show tickets:  
<http://goldenwesthsperformingarts.ludus.com>