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Gladstone High choir and band travel to California

The band and choir from Gladstone High School traveled together to southern California, where they participated in a studio recording session at Disneyland and a music clinic with the UCLA band director.

“Students went outside their comfort zones because of this experience,” said band director Seth Arnold. “Some gained confidence as musicians playing in the workshop, while others braved a rollercoaster for the first time. Best of all, the group built cohesion that will help them perform better as musicians.”

Choir director Josh Weir said both groups worked with renowned musicians who taught them the importance of sight-reading and what it takes to be a studio musician.

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The Gladstone High School band visited the UCLA campus for a music clinic with the university band director. The group is led by teacher Seth Arnold [right].

The Gladstone High School choir joined the school band in a studio recording session at Disneyland. The group is led by teacher Josh Weir [left].

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Rotary presents first Pillar of Peace in Gladstone

As part of their mission to promote peace, the Gladstone/Oak Lodge Rotary Club plans to install seven Pillars of Peace throughout the Gladstone community. The first of these public art works was presented this month as a gift to the Gladstone Center for Children & Families.

Rotary member Jal Duncan talked about the importance of avoiding war, and then read kindergarten students a book, *Paulie Pastrami Achieves World Peace*.

“To achieve peace in our community and in our world takes commitment from every person, even the youngest children,” said Rotarian Leslie Robinette.

Photo: Rotarians Shawn Price, Dr. Bob Everett, Leslie Robinette, and Jal Duncan join Gladstone kindergarteners in celebrating their community’s first Pillar of Peace.

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Students learn about public works

Environmental Science students from Gladstone High School toured the City of

Gladstone's Public Works Department. They had a chance to learn more about the environmental issues surrounding the management of streets, water and sewer systems, storm water management, leaf pickup, and road sanding.

"This tour provided opportunities to explore careers in public works, while also helping students understand the ways a city's basic services impact our environment," said science teacher Kevin Zerzan.

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