

GLENDALE GAZETTE



Spring Week of Prayer

Recently, GAA students enjoyed their final week of prayer for this school year. Pastor Mike Kim and Pastor Tony Parrish delivered messages on alternating days, providing students with spiritual boosts to help them maintain strong relationships with God. To make week of prayer even more enriching, students were able to enjoy the musical talents of Keila Menjivar, Pamela Apsi, Lucas Marcondes, Caran Marquez, Irene Martinez, James Hearn, Arron Pak, Celeste Ferrolino, Ian Luna and Jade O'Keefe through daily special music performances.

"Check Please Take 2"

This month, the GAA drama department performed the play "Check Please: Take 2," by Jonathan Rand, whose plays are the most performed amongst North American high schools. Because last year's performance of "Check Please" was so successful, the class chose to perform Mr. Rand's hilarious sequel for this year's play. The drama class, taught by Mr. Matthew Payne and Pastor Anthony Pascal, performed the play four times with two different casts: one composed of upperclassmen and

one of underclassmen. During the second performance the cast was fortunate enough to have the playwright himself in the audience. After the play, Mr. Rand was kind enough to spend some time answering questions and talking to the cast about his career as a playwright and his experience with acting. Due to the hard work of student director Jade O'Keefe, stage manager Lily Vargas and the cast and crew, all four performances were very successful and received lots of laughs.





Band and Chorale Tour in Chicago

From April 17 - 21, the GAA band and chorale went to Chicago for the 2013 music tour. The talented musicians spent their time in the windy city performing, of course, sightseeing, visiting famous places such as the Sears Tower, recently renamed the Willis Tower, Millennium Park and the Navy Pier. When they weren't enjoying the beautiful Chicago skyline, the band and chorale members performed at Hinsdale SDA Church, Hinsdale Fil-Am Church and the Field Museum. They also participated in clinics at Elmhurst College where they received input and advice from the college's band and choir professors. The students and chaperones were also fortunate enough to have the opportunity to attend a Bobby McFerrin concert at the world-renowned Symphony Center in downtown Chicago. The students had a great music tour and were able to become better musicians while also having fun and exploring a new city.



Graduating Class Goes to Hawaii

Glendale Academy's lucky seniors embarked on their much-awaited trip to Hawaii in late March. After waiting four long years for the trip, seniors were absolutely beside themselves with excitement. Seniors dined at Old Spaghetti Factory, got lost inside the Dole Plantation Maze, enjoyed Matsumoto's Hawaiian Shaved Ice, took pictures at the Hawaii State Supreme Court House, hiked up a seemingly never-ending staircase at Diamond Head State Monument, toured the USS Arizona Memorial, bargained at the Aloha Stadium swap meet and expanded their cultural horizons at the Polynesian Cultural Center. The trip was not only a much-appreciated break from the many stresses of school, but it was also an incredible bonding experience for the seniors, who are graduating in less than two months.