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LEADER OF THE BAND

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word 'Tournament,' 'Tournament of Bands,' Gossell said.

"It's Christmas time. It's really nice. We had the band led by Catherine Anderson and the band began in the 18th century from the King School."

After looking at the American flag tradition that way when the start of California in Pasadena, the night of the annual New Year's Day parade.

"I'm really excited for this as well about to be California, we might as well make the most of the experience," Gossell said. "That's what it is."

December's first day. While in California, Gossell will also lead the opportunity to compete in the Tournament of Bands parade competition before the New Year's Day parade in Pasadena.



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