



## Donald Paul Hoffman

Donald Paul Hoffmann was born in Indianapolis, IN on November 14, 1940. He graduated from Indianapolis Manual High School in 1958 and earned the B.M. in Music Education from Butler University in 1962 and a M.M in Music Education from Butler in 1963.

Mr. Hoffmann was Summer Marching Band Director for Charlottesville (IN) High School in 1963 with the band taking 1<sup>st</sup> place at the Delaware Fair "Tournament of Bands." He taught Music K-12 in Otterbein, IN in 1963-64. From 1964-1970 he was Assistant Director of Bands at Anderson High School while also directing the bands and orchestra at South Side Middle School. He concluded his career as Assistant Director at Anderson High School in 1997-2004.

From 1971-1997 Mr. Hoffmann was Director of Bands at Anderson High School with the band earning many awards including:

- 1985 and 1986 State Championship at the Indiana State Fair with 7 other top five finishes and never out of the top 16
- five "Sweepstakes" awards at Indiana School Music Association Marching Contests
- 2<sup>nd</sup> place in Class A at the first All-State Marching Contest in 1973.
- 10<sup>th</sup> place in Class A in the first ISSMA State Finals in the RCA Dome in 1983.
- Won the Greenville, OH Marching Contest twice, also winning the Cincinnati Reds Marching Band Tournament, the Kentucky Derby Marching Band Festival, and the North Webster Mermaid Festival
- The Anderson Indian Marching Band also performed at the "500" Festival Parade, the Detroit Christmas Parade, Disney World, and the Kentucky Derby Festival Parade.
- Anderson Bands also received many "Superior" ratings at Concert Band Organization and Jazz Band contests.

Mr. Hoffmann is a member of Kappa Kappa Psi, Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, the National Band Association, the All-American Drum and Bugle Corps and Band Association, MENC, IMEA, Phi Beta Mu, and the American Federation of Musicians. He has served as President of the Indiana Bandmasters Association where he instituted the process of using tape recorded auditions for All-State Band. He has also served as Secretary and President of Phi Beta Mu. Mr. Hoffmann has served as an instructor for the Indianapolis All-City Orchestra, Smith-Walbridge Drum Major and Band Camps, and the Purdue University Band Camp. He was a member of the ISMA/NISBOVA unification committee and a member of the first Executive Board of the Indiana State Music Association.

A highly respected adjudicator, Mr. Hoffman has judged band contests in Indiana, Illinois, Ohio, and Kentucky and has been a guest clinician at University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point. He was awarded the Chief Anderson Award in 1986 and was named a "Sagamore of the Wabash" by the Governor of Indiana in 2004.

Mr. Hoffmann has played trombone with the Ft. Wayne Philharmonic, Indianapolis Philharmonic, Butler Symphony Orchestra and the Anderson Symphony Orchestra. The Mississinewa Valley Community Band, Lapel Community Band, Alexandria Community Band, Muncie's "America's Hometown Band" and the Winona Lake Community Band. He plays in several Church Orchestras and Ensembles. He teaches private lessons at the Slick Music Studio in Anderson. In his spare time he is a model railroader and councils for Indiana Senior Health Insurance Program