



Janis M. Stockhouse

Janis Stockhouse recently retired after 38 years as Director of Bands at Bloomington High School North in Bloomington, Indiana. Prior to that position she served as the North Vermillion Jr-Sr High School Band and Choral Director for 4 years. She received her Bachelor of Music Education degree from the Indiana University Jacobs School of Music where she studied trumpet with William Adam and Louis Davidson. She earned her Masters in Music degree at Indiana State University. Her mentors include David N. Baker, Ray E. Cramer, William Revelli, Dominic Spera, Ron Modell and Stephen W. Pratt.

At Bloomington North, Ms. Stockhouse conducted the Symphonic Band, Intermediate Concert Band, Advanced & Lab Jazz Ensembles, and taught AP Music Theory. She also served as assistant director for the Cougar Marching Band, directed the Basketball Pep Band and oversaw the Jazz Combo program.

During her tenure at Bloomington High School North, the Advanced Jazz Ensemble performed at the Midwest International Band & Orchestra Clinic in 1982, 1987, 2008, and 2018. Her jazz bands and Combos also were invited to perform at the IAJE and JEN annual conventions on 7 occasions. In 2002, the jazz ensemble and top concert band toured Europe for two weeks of concerts culminating with performances at the North Sea Jazz Festival and the Mid-Europe Music Clinic. The Cougar Marching Band has appeared in the Tournament of Roses Parade as well as the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade. Bloomington North's Symphonic Band qualified for the ISSMA State Concert Finals 33 out of 35 years with two state championships and 30 top eight finishes.

Ms. Stockhouse is a member and past president of the Indiana Bandmasters Association, a member of IMEA/NAFME, a member of Phi Beta Mu, a member of JEN, and was a board member for IAJE. She was named the 1997 Outstanding Music Educator of the year by IMEA, the 2005 Educator of the year by the Bloomington Area Arts Council, was recipient of the 2007 Al Cobine Award, and was presented with the 2007 Outstanding Bandmaster Award by Phi Beta Mu, Gamma Chapter. In 2015 she was presented with the John LaPorta Outstanding Jazz Educator Award, and in 2016 the Indianapolis Jazz Foundation named her the David Baker Indiana Jazz Educator of the year. She has co-authored a book entitled *JAZZWOMEN; Conversations with 21 Musicians*, published by Indiana University Press in 2004.