

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Mike & Nada Montgomery, WJU #962 & #1958



Mike became a Windjammer in 1987, generally playing low brass -- euphonium, trombone, or tuba -- but can occasionally also be seen on trumpet. In 1993, he took on the

dual officer role of Secretary/Treasurer for our organization. Those tasks were split effective with January 1, 2008 and Mike has been the Windjammers Unlimited Secretary since then. In addition, he took on the Annual Convention leadership role in January, 2007, so the upcoming event will be his 11th as our Host! As Secretary, Mike coordinates the membership database, our Windjammers Website, our internet presence, and membership announcements. For his services to the organization, Mike was inducted into the Windjammers Hall of Fame in 2012.

Mike was Manager - Major Divisional Computer Systems Projects for the Engine Group of Navistar International Corp. Mike was born in Davenport, Iowa and spent much of his life in Illinois, with brief stints in Tennessee, Indiana, and more lately, Ohio and Florida. He played in the Naperville Municipal Band for 18 years before moving to Ohio to



marry his wife, Nada. He has been a member of the Association of Concert Bands since 1991 and has served two terms on its Board of Directors, and also serves as its Chief Information Officer.



Nada became a Windjammer in 1996, plays piccolo and has been a featured soloist at Windjammers concerts and numerous other venues, most recently at our Center Ring Concert in January 2016 with the difficult piccolo solo *Through the Air*. However, Nada can surprise you when she picks up Mike's tuba and plays it as well. Nada is also an accomplished piano player and has a private studio of 19 piano and flute students in the Independence, Ohio (Cleveland) area. She also serves as the piano accompanist for the Lakeland Community College Civic Chorus in Kirtland Ohio and the Independence Middle and High School Choruses where Nada's daughter is the director. Nada has also served as the Secretary for the Association of Concert Bands for over 20 years and has been awarded by that organization for her service.

