

## **Jackie Trowbridge: A Key player**

When you contact the Westwinds Music Society office, the person who handles your concerns is Jackie Trowbridge. Currently a trombone player in Silver Concert Band, Jackie joined Westwinds in 1996 in Green Band having never played or read music before. While working her way up the music ladder, Jackie contributed many other talents to the Westwinds organization. One year after joining the band, she volunteered as group manager; following that, Jackie took on the role as Group Manager Coordinator for a few years. In addition, she was “merchandising guru” for a while. She was also on the organizing committee for the Big Band Dinner and Dance, an annual event that showcased the Westwinds jazz bands.

In 2001, Jackie became the Executive Assistant, a small title for a big job! She can be seen at all Westwinds events, either behind the scenes or out front selling tickets or manning a table. “Have you seen Jackie?” is a question often heard at events. For visiting bands and directors, Jackie acts as Westwinds’ ambassador, putting a friendly face to the organization.

Currently, Jackie is helping to organize the highly–successful international Westwinds band/choir trips that are surely a highlight of the year. In fact, she has been “instrumental” in the planning of all the Westwinds trips.

Jackie has made some “lifelong friends” through Westwinds; one in particular is Kris Tanner who also joined in 1996, but was sadly taken by an illness in 2003.

So, the next time you contact Westwinds office, say hello to Jackie Trowbridge, a dedicated and enthusiastic key player in Westwinds Music Society!