

Harold Burton Bachman was an accomplished and influential American bandmaster of the twentieth century. When the United States entered World War I, Bachman organized a band for the North Dakota National Guard. The band later became the 2nd Infantry Band. After the war, Bachman kept the band together and toured the Chataqua Redpath Circuits as the Million Dollar Band

From 1935 to 1942, Bachman served as director of bands at the University of Chicago. In 1942, Bachman was recalled to military duty and served as head of band music in the Pacific Theater. Bachman came to the University of Florida in 1948 and served as director of bands until his retirement in 1958.