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**Kansas
Master Teacher
Award**

April 11, 1984
Emporia State University
Emporia, Kansas

Awards Program

- 11 a.m.** **“Memories of Yesteryear” — One-Room Rural School**
Carl Livingston, professor emeritus, is the host
- Noon** **President’s Luncheon — President’s home, 1522 Highland**
- 2 p.m.** **Seminar: “New Designs for Better Schooling — Educational
Administration Conference Center**
Dr. Stuart Ervay, Emporia State professor of education, is the
moderator
- 4 p.m.** **Reception for Master Teachers — Atrium, Education and
Psychology Building**
Students, faculty and visitors are guests of Kappa Delta Pi and
SNEA
- 6:30 p.m.** **Master Teacher Award Dinner — Social Lecture Hall,
Memorial Union**
Toastmaster: Dr. Leo Ensman, professor in the School of
Business and former acting dean of the College of Educa-
tion, Emporia State University
Special Entertainment: Musical selections by the Emporia State
Men’s Chorale, under the direction of Rosamond
Hirschorn, Emporia State professor of music
Award Presentations: Dr. John Visser, president, Emporia State
University, and Dr. Jack Skillett, dean, College of
Education, Emporia State University
Decorations: Butcher Children’s Laboratory School, Lori
Mareska, art teacher
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Master Teacher Award

The Master Teacher awards were established in 1954 by Emporia State University (then Kansas State Teachers College). The awards are presented annually to teachers who have served the profession long and well, and who also typify the good qualities of earnest and conscientious teachers.

The Kansas Master Teacher program was originated in the early 1950s and was developed by the University Administrative Council. Dr. Everett Rich, former chairperson of the English department and a council member, was the driving force behind the program.

The program was first discussed in 1952. Because of the illness and subsequent death of President David L. MacFarlane Jan. 3, 1953, nothing was done until the following year. In 1954, with the support of Dr. Don Davis, chairperson of the division of education, and the approval of new president John E. King, the first awards were made.

A number of faculty members and

others were involved in establishing policies and procedures. Davis added "Kansas" to the name. Rich had suggested "distinguished," but that word was changed to "master." Ray Cremer, business manager, suggested a money award for the recipients, but King believed watches were more appropriate so the watches were awarded. C.O. Wright, executive secretary of the Kansas State Teachers Association, was responsible for the suggestion that nominations be made by local teacher associations or similar educational groups. Rich was responsible for the publicity the awards received across the state.

Candidates for the awards are nominated by local teacher associations and school faculties. In early March, a committee selects the winners. The committee members represent educational organizations from across Kansas.

The 1984 selection committee included: Fern Wood, Cherryvale, president of the Kansas division of

the American Association of University Women; Ruth McKenzie, Shawnee, vice-president of the Kansas Congress of Parents and Teachers; Warren Bell, Lawrence, director of state and federal programs administration, Kansas Department of Education; Nancy Lindberg, Topeka, president of the Kansas-National Education Association; Dick McCall, Pratt, president of the United School Administrators; Sr. Marie Paula Hardy, Leavenworth, president of the Kansas Association of Colleges of Teacher Education; Ruth Ann Hackler, Olathe, president of the Kansas Association of School Boards; and Susan Bland, Medicine Lodge, president of the Student-Kansas National Education Association from Kansas State University.

A committee of Emporia State faculty and administrators is in charge of local arrangements. This committee includes: Dr. John Visser, Dr. Jim Meyer, Dr. Jack Skillett, Dr. J.W. Brinkman, Dr. Virginia Mox-

ley, Dr. Stuart Ervay, Dave Eldridge, Paul Kincaid, Marjorie Schmidt, and Dr. Daryl Berry, chairperson.

The committee is grateful for the cooperation of the Endowment Association, Alumni Association, Butcher Children's Laboratory School, Kappa Delta Pi, Student NEA, art faculty and students, conferences and special events office, office of photographic services, and Memorial Union dining service in connection with the Master Teacher award program.

Emporia State University and the Master Teacher program are also grateful to Emporia's Citizens National Bank and Trust Co. and Mrs. Marea Black of Broken Bow, Okla. In 1980, Citizens Bank pledged \$50,000 to permanently endow the Master Teacher award program. In 1984, Mrs. Black established the William A. Black Kansas Master Teacher Endowed Chair in memory of her husband. More information about the Black Endowed Chair can be found in this program.

William A. Black

Kansas Master Teacher

Endowed Chair



In 1984, the Black family of Broken Bow, Okla., established an endowed chair for Kansas Master Teachers. Each year, this permanently endowed fund will provide the salary for a Kansas Master Teacher to spend a summer, semester, or entire academic year at Emporia State University.

The Master Teacher selected will teach classes and work with students who plan careers in education. The endowed chair will provide a valuable experience for Emporia State students and a meaningful opportunity for Master Teachers.

The William A. Black Kansas Master Teacher Endowed Chair was established by Marea Belfield Black to honor the Black family's lifelong dedication to public education. The endowed chair is named for her husband, Dr. William A. Black.

The late Dr. William Albert Black (shown above) was born Nov. 25, 1897 in Green County in Missouri. He received his bachelor's degree in 1926 and his master's degree in 1934

from Emporia State University. He received his Ph.D. degree in philosophy, education and psychology from the University of Colorado.

Black was nationally known for establishing junior colleges and for his work in school finance and curricula.

During his career, he served as president of the Pueblo (Colo.) Junior College, director of junior colleges and curriculum for the state of Washington, and head of the department of education and psychology at Pittsburg State University. In 1962, while at Pittsburg State, he received the Kansas Master Teacher award.

Black married Marea Belfield Nov. 7, 1920. The Blacks' son, William Vincent Black, was born March 31, 1922. The family moved to Broken Bow March 1, 1973. Dr. Black died in Oct. 12, 1983.

Emporia State University is deeply grateful to Mrs. Black and the Black family for this generous contribution.



Robert Coffman

Chase

Robert Coffman is the science and computer science coordinator at Chase High School. He has taught science, photography, and computer science courses at Chase High since 1954. He is head teacher at Chase High, and he serves as the district's computer coordinator.

Since 1976, Coffman has taught photography and computer science for Barton County Community College as part of that school's outreach program.

A Utica native, Coffman was graduated from El Dorado High School. He received his B.S. degree in agriculture education from Kansas State University in 1950. He received his M.S. degree in chemistry and biology from the University of Mississippi in 1969.

"I believe that learning should be fun and enjoyable," says Coffman. "That is not to say that classwork should be games, but that fun-loving and enjoyable children should have fun and enjoyable classes."

Coffman is a member of the Na-

tional Education Association, Kansas-National Education Association, National Science Teachers Association, National Association of Biology Teachers, and National Mathematics Teachers Association. In the community, Coffman is active in the Lions Club and the Presbyterian Mariners.

In 1982, Coffman was named the Masonic Teacher of the Year. During his career, he has had several ideas published in the *State Handbook of Innovative Practices*.

"Many critics of our education system contend that the public schools are finished," says Coffman. "I contend that the public schools are just on the verge of a massive revolution. The only way that this great country can continue to offer an equal educational opportunity for all is through the public schools. It will be a long, hard pull, but nothing worthwhile ever comes easily, so we must all take up our belts a notch and again put the proverbial nose to the grindstone."

Frances Lou Disney



Great Bend

Since 1965, Frances Lou Disney has been the first grade teacher at Eisenhower Elementary School in Great Bend. Prior to joining the Eisenhower faculty, Disney taught at Sterling Grade School (1951-53) and West Grade School in Osawatomie (1953-65).

A Great Bend native, Disney was graduated from Hoisington High School. She received her B.S. degree in elementary education from Emporia State University in 1957 and her M.S. degree in education from Fort Hays State University in 1972.

"I love teaching," says Disney. "I believe all children should have the inspiration and desire to want to learn. Our educational society should create a desire to know — to know about oneself; to know about the family; to know about the community; and to know about the world. Children must be captivated and motivated by teachers who realize the knowledge and magic that is within their wonderful minds and the super awards that teachers will

reap from creating this desire."

In February of this year, Disney received the Apple Teacher Award from the educational task force of the Great Bend Chamber of Commerce. She also has the Certificate of Appreciation from the University of Kansas School of Education for her 25 years as a teacher.

Disney is active in a number of professional organizations, including the Great Bend-National Education Association, the Kansas-National Education Association, and the American Association of University Women. She is a life member of the Eisenhower P.T.A. Since 1965, she has had perfect attendance at P.T.A. meetings.

In the community, she is active in Delta Kappa Gamma, the Order of Eastern Star, the Daughters of the American Revolution, the Central Kansas Medical Center Auxiliary, the Barton County Community Orchestra, and the First United Methodist Church.



Stephen R. Germes

Dodge City

Stephen R. Germes has taught history and political science at Dodge City High School since 1969. He is also the head senior sponsor. During 1983-84, he is serving as the social studies department chairperson and the North Central Accreditation chairperson.

Born in Abington, Pa., Germes was graduated from Upper Perkiomen Joint High School in East Greenville, Pa. He received his B.A. degree in history and political science from the College of Emporia in 1969. He received his M.S. degree in political science and social studies from Emporia State University in 1977. He is currently taking courses at Fort Hays State University.

"I believe that the teacher's responsibility for providing leadership and a positive role model is just as important as the subject matter which is taught," says Germes. "I also believe that education should provide students with the basic set of tools for life. The social and political sciences equip students with many of

these tools. I want my students to acquire a basic body of information in each of my classes, and I want them to internalize this information in order to apply it with relevance thereafter."

During his career at Dodge City High, Germes has developed new courses, helped establish an all-school fair known as "Showcase," and helped build the Great Plains Institute for the Social Studies, a library and research center. In addition, Germes and a colleague have written the textbook *Kansas Government*.

Germes is active in the National Education Association, the Kansas-National Education Association, the Dodge City-National Education Association, the National Council of Social Studies, and Phi Delta Kappa. In the community, Germes is involved with the First Baptist Church, the Salvation Army, Explorer Scouts, and the Ford County Historical Society. He is also a charter member of the Jedediah Smith Muzzleloaders.

Thomas Hedges

Pittsburg



Thomas Hedges has been principal of Pittsburg High School since 1979. From 1977-79 he was principal at Kingman High School, and from 1969-77 he was principal of Ellinwood Junior/Senior High School. He was principal of Rossville High School and Delia Elementary School from 1966-69.

Hedges was born in Blue Mound and graduated from Blue Mound High School. He received his B.M.E. degree from Baker University in 1963 and his M.S. degree from Kansas State University in 1966. He has done post-graduate work at the University of Kansas, Wichita State University, Fort Hays State University, and Pittsburg State University.

Hedges is known for his openness, the way he works with people, his sense of humor, and his ability to encourage students and teachers. But Hedges' greatest talent is his ability to lead, a talent that has served him well over the years.

Hedges is active in the American Field Service, having served as a host

parent and participated in the local and state activities of the AFS. He is a sponsor for the National Honor Society, a member of Phi Delta Kappa, and a charter member of the Kansas Barbershop Chorus in Great Bend. He is also active in the College Heights United Methodist Church.

Hedges is a member of the National Association of Secondary School Principals, the Kansas Association of Secondary School Principals, the Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development, and the United School Administrators.

During his career, Hedges has been a consultant for school districts, a guest lecturer at colleges and universities, and an invited participant at state and national conventions. He wrote the article "Moving a School—A Principal Looks Back" for the *Bulletin*, which is published by the Kansas Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development.



Don L. Mason

Kingman

Don Mason has taught science, math, computer science, electronics, and aviation at Kingman High School since 1962. He heads the school's math and science department.

In addition to his work in the classroom, Mason is the computer coordinator for the school and district, and a member of the district computer steering committee. He is a member of the district gifted committee and the district science curriculum committee. Mason also serves on the faculty council.

Since 1978, Mason has taught computer and photography courses at Pratt Community College.

A Council Grove native, Mason was graduated from Council Grove High School. He received his B.S. degree in 1962 and his M.S. degree in 1965 from Emporia State University. He has done additional work at Friends University, Wichita State University, Emporia State, and La Verne College in California.

Mason's teaching philosophy is

based on one premise: everyone should be treated as a unique, important individual. Mason is known for his honesty, fairness, and enthusiasm.

Through the years, Mason has been very active in the community. Since 1973, he has been a member of the Kingman city commission. He was mayor from 1974-76, and he has been Kingman County deputy sheriff since 1981. In 1983, he received the 10-Year Service Award from the Kansas League of Municipalities. Mason is active in the Midian Temple Shrine, the Plane Apple Club, and the Kingman Gun Club.

Mason is a member of the National Education Association, the Kansas-National Education Association, the Kansas Association of Teachers of Science, the Kingman County Teachers Association, and Lambda Delta Lambda. In 1981, he was nominated as Teacher of the Year.

Dottie McCrossen

Ottawa



Dottie McCrossen has been a language arts teacher at Ottawa High School since 1976, and she now chairs the department.

A Scottsbluff, Neb., native, McCrossen was graduated from Scottsbluff High School. She received her B.A. degree from Ottawa University in 1953 and her M.A. degree from the University of Kansas in 1977. She is now working on a specialist's degree in curriculum and instruction.

"My desire is to help students feel good about themselves, learning, and school," says McCrossen. "The teen-age years can be joyous or excruciatingly painful.

"As an English teacher, I have the opportunity to work with every student, including the highly motivated and the low achievers. My goal is to create independent thinkers, excited researchers, and competent and creative writers among the college-bound, and to heal wounds, make learning acceptable, and give a background of basic skills to the non-

academic student. There is nothing in life that I would rather do than encourage a young person to live up to his/her potential."

McCrossen has been a finalist for the Teacher of the Year award presented by the Kansas Department of Education. In 1979, she won the Distinguished Service Award from the Ottawa University Alumni Association. She has received several grants from the National Endowment for the Humanities.

She is a member of many professional organizations, including the American Studies Association, the National Council for Teachers of English, the Kansas Association for Teachers of English, the National Education Association, and the Kansas-National Education Association.

In the community, McCrossen is active in the Ottawa University Women's Club, Friends of the Ottawa Library, P.E.O., and the First Baptist Church.



Joan Spiker

Manhattan

Joan Spiker has taught at Northview Elementary School since 1973. From 1973-76, she taught students with learning disabilities. Since 1976, she has taught fourth and first grades.

Spiker, a Wamego native, was graduated from Manhattan High School. She received her B.S. degree in elementary education in 1966 and her M.S. degree in elementary education in 1971 from Kansas State University. She also has completed 35 hours of post-graduate work at K-State.

"I feel it is important to accept each child, recognize his/her efforts, and promote his/her feeling of self-worth," says Spiker. "I believe it is essential for a child to have a positive attitude toward school, and I try to foster that attitude by being a positive person myself. I want my students to know I am excited about learning, and I strive to develop activities that will reflect this excitement.

"I believe that mastery of the basic skills is of paramount importance

and that first grade is the place for developing a sound educational foundation. I also feel this is the time to develop good work habits and a sense of responsibility which are so necessary for optimum learning.

"Finally, I want my students to discover that learning is important; that it never stops; that, indeed, it is a lifelong adventure."

In 1970, Spiker was named the Outstanding Young Educator by the Manhattan Jaycees. She is a member of several professional organizations, including the National Education Association, the Kansas-National Education Association, and the Manhattan-National Education Association. She is a charter member of the Beta Beta chapter of Alpha Delta Kappa, an international honorary organization for women educators.

In the community, Spiker is active in the St. Luke's Lutheran Church, serving in the Lutheran Women's Missionary League and Hannah Circle.

Past Master Teachers

1954

Laura M. Beichley, Ulysses
Harry H. Brown, Peabody
Lucy Headrick, Winfield
Ira Laidig, Oberlin
Edith Ellen Means, Princeton
Violet Randolph, Atchison
Grace E. Stewart, Salina

1955

Redicia Engholm, Topeka
Edna Mason Golladay, Wichita
Gaye Iden, Arkansas City
Gussie Mootz, Dodge City
Elsie Olson, Marysville
M. F. Stark, Hiawatha
John Twente, Lawrence, KU

1956

Florence K. Belding, Iola
Jane M. Carroll, Pittsburg, PSU
Clifford H. Dresher, McPherson
John E. Humphreys, Ashland
Mamie D. Mellinger, Emporia
Katie Puls, Attica
Audrey Smith, Goodland

1957

Teresa McDonald Coffey, Axtell
Maud Ellsworth, Lawrence, KU
Una Funk, Council Grove
Mildred P. Parker, Hutchinson
Clyde U. Phillips, Hays, FHSU
Ruth Flory Sexton, Howard
Katherine A. Tucker, Topeka

1958

Mildred Cunningham, Parsons
Myrrl Houck, El Dorado
Julian A. Johnson, Buhler
Edward D. Kroesch, Hoisington
Minnie M. Miller, Emporia, ESU
Elsie N. Parrish, Concordia
Maude Thompson, Marion

1959

Henrietta A. Courtwright, Arkansas City
Nettie May Davis, Winchester
Paul R. Dick, Oakley
Ethlyn Hamlin, Fort Scott
Robert H. Pool, Larned
D. Ruth Thompson, Sterling
Jane Townsend, Girard

1960

Eula Bridger, Kansas City
Mary Louise Gritten, Bird City
Lena Carl, Holcomb
Owen E. Hodgson, Salina
Opal Jayne Kennedy, Lawrence
Pauline Shockey, Wellington
Blanch Smith, Pittsburg
*C. O. Wright, Topeka, KSTA

1961

Reba Anderson, Hutchinson,
Hutchinson Community College
George D. Caldwell, Iola
Lydia Haag, Dodge City
Larry Ling, Liberal
Dorothy McPherson, Coffeyville
Jane E. Roether, Junction City
Ruth Socolofsky, Manhattan

1962

William A. Black, Pittsburg, PSU
Eunice McGill, Sterling College
Nellie McGuinn, Kansas City
Owen R. McNeil, Peabody
Ella C. Shearer, Beloit
Marie Therkelsen, Independence
William D. Wolfe, Lawrence

1963

May Gruver, Augusta
Alta Hendrickson, Oakley
Walter M. Ostenberg, Salina
Pearl Peterie, Kinsley
Phebe Scott, Derby
Martha Steele, Goodland
Charles E. Strange, Wichita

1964

Dan Foster, LaCrosse
Mary Hunholz, Manhattan
Erdman Johnson, Turner
Loma Mack, Madison
Bernadine Sitts, Garden City
Lillie Elizabeth Studt, Glasco
Dewey E. Wolgast, Marysville
*Ruth Stout Wright, Topeka

1965

Rebecca Bloodworth, Kansas City
Bryce H. Glecker, Dodge City
Mabel Lacey, Gorham
Hazel Lee Simmons, Lawrence
Floyd C. Smith, Iola
Dorothy Vaughn, Neodesha
Ethel Yantis, Howard

1966

Eva M. Chalfant, El Dorado
Louis A. Coppoc, Belpre
Helen Glaser, Coffeyville
Evelyn Harper, Atchison
Maurice Little, Goodland
Ione Ramey, Olathe
Wesley E. Simpson, Salina

1967

J. W. Breukelman, Emporia, ESU
Lois Hogue, Pratt
Perva M. Hughes, Pittsburg, PSU
Winifred Jennings, Shawnee
Jean Jones, Topeka
Florence Miller, Iola
Cecil E. Smith, Pittsburg
*Adel F. Throckmorton, Wichita,
State Supt.

1968

Arley A. Bryant, Concordia,
Cloud County Community College
Lottie Carver, Mulvane
Alice Ham, Hutchinson
Hazel Miller, Emporia
Irma Minden, Paola
Gladys Peterson, Lindsborg,
Bethany College
Doris Stith, Bonner Springs

1969

*Alex Daughtry, Emporia, ESU
Kelso Deer, Hoisington
Marguerite Hackney, Iola
Joe W. Ostenberg, McPherson
Theodore Palmquist, Turner
Maxine Sebelius, Northern Valley
Joy Wigginton, El Dorado
Lonnie Wood, Independence

1970

Ralph Dennis, Olathe
John England, Pittsburg
Gladys Kaump, Dodge City
Thomas Kelley, Hutchinson,
Hutchinson Community College
Lois Patton, Great Bend
Albert Riedel, Hays
Mary Ellen Sissman, Eureka

1971

Kenneth Anderson, Lawrence, KU
Earl Bevan, Pittsburg
Helen Case, El Dorado
Carl Clinesmith, Fort Scott
Herman Grundy, Kansas City,
Kansas City Community College
Betty Jackson, Colby,
Colby Community College
Margaret Jagger, Minneapolis
*F. L. Schlagle, Kansas City

1972

Joseph L. Bournonville, Pittsburg

Robert Burnett, Colby

Gerald Goacher, Topeka

*F. Floyd Herr, Topeka, State Dept.
of Education

Carl A. James, Emporia

Catherine Johannsen, Kansas City

Margaret Parker, Pittsburg, PSU

Leona Velen, Manhattan

1973

Mildred Barber, Concordia

Elton W. Cline, Pittsburg, PSU

Marie Hieger, El Dorado

Anna Hurty, Hutchinson

Rachel Leist, Fort Scott

Allen L. Unruh, Ottawa

Marjorie Vieux, Atwood

1974

Wanda Franzen, Emporia

Arlene Garrett, Hugoton

Ruben Grose, Hutchinson

Louis Hayward, Eureka

Clyde Johnson, Leavenworth

Esther Overman, Columbus

Norris Sayre, Ensign

1975

Vernon Hastert, Ulysses

J. Paul Jewell, Kansas City,

Kansas City Kansas Community College

Betty Dutton, Alta Vista

Iram Teichgraeber, Chapman

Marion Klema, Salina

Ernest Nelson, Pittsburg

Rozella Swisher, Kansas City

1976

Charlotte Doyle, Manhattan

Harry Hart, Emporia

Glennis Lindsey, Hutchinson

*James A. McCain, Manhattan, President-KSU

Frances Raines, Winfield

Richard L. Roahen, Emporia, ESU

Darlene Theno, Basehor

Eleanor White, Dodge City

1977

Jean Curl, Kansas City

Fred Deyoe, Dodge City

*William Edwards, Emporia, ESU

Joan Hanna, Winfield

Shirley Longfellow, El Dorado, Butler

County Community College

Martha McReynolds, Burlington

Gene Russell, Galena

Dan Tewell, Pittsburg

1978

Dennis L. Ary, Topeka
Erma Lang Dow, Eureka
*A. Truman Hayes, Emporia, ESU
Harold Hardy, Pittsburg
Robert R. Noble, Pittsburg, PSU
Milton Senti, Pratt
Patricia J. Teel, Columbus
Eugene Wiltfong, Norton

1979

Gerald E. Barkley, Galena
Wendell Hodges, Anthony
Eleanor Kee, Coffeyville
Clifton McWaid, Kansas City
Loren E. Riblett Sr., Wamego
*Everett Rich, Emporia, ESU
Cynthia Schrader, Alta Vista
William Warner, Manhattan

1980

Harold Balzer, Buhler
Raymond Goering, Salina
Lucille Luckey, Dodge City
Mary Remington, Pittsburg
Patricia Samuelson, Emporia
James R. Smith, Olathe
Paul Willis, Topeka

1981

Mary Chase, Andover
Mary Lou Davis, Dodge City
Marguerite Flick, Winfield
Don Miller, Fort Scott
Deloris Jean Osger, Eureka
Chester Peckover, Buhler
Byron Smith, Anthony

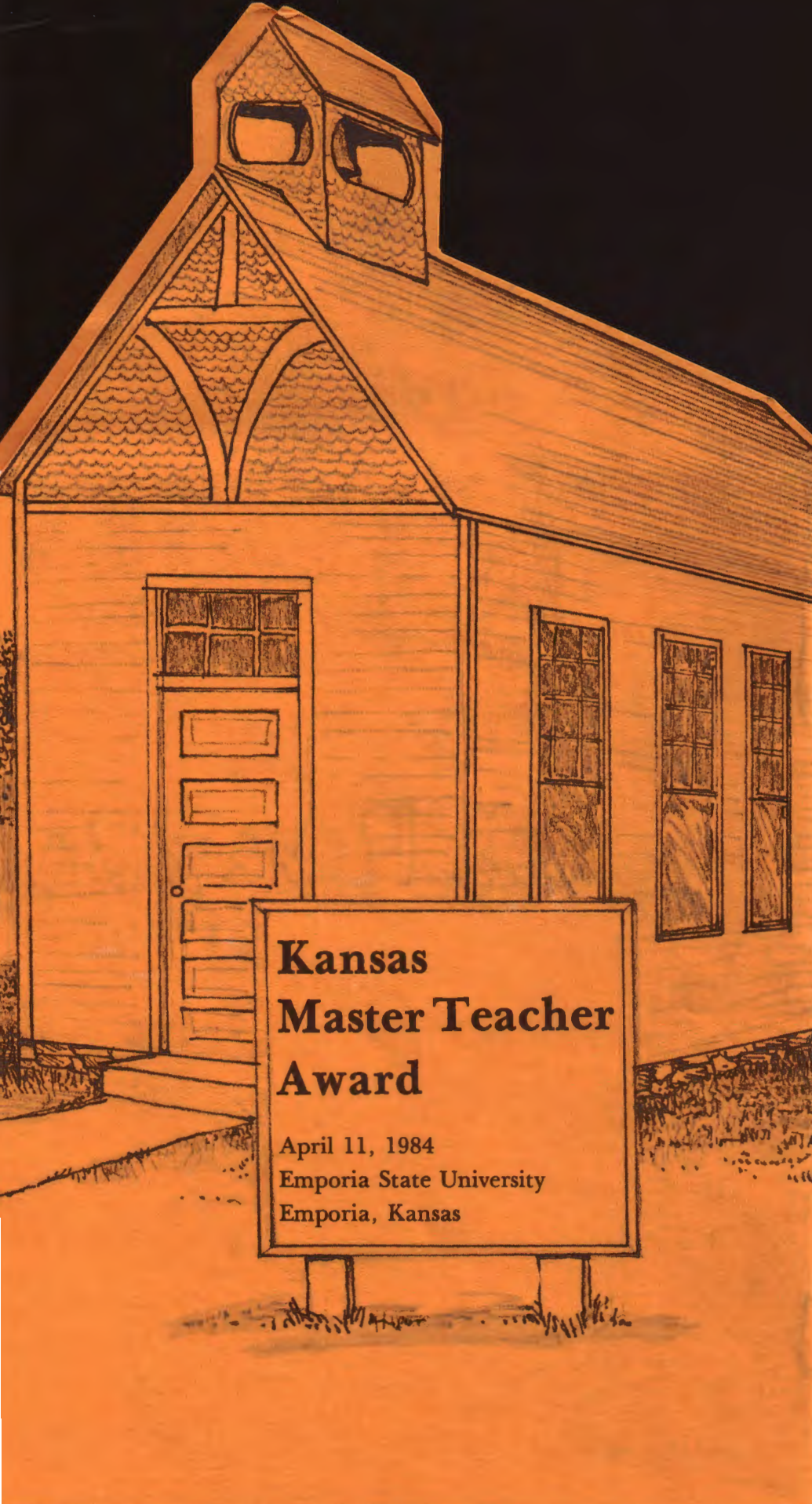
1982

Dorothy Arensman, Dodge City
Frances Kohrs, Fort Scott
Bill Saunders, Garden City
Marjory Pease Sharp, Pittsburg
Patricia Tippin, Manhattan
Kenneth Trickle Jr., Salina
Elizabeth Voorhees, Emporia

1983

Catherine Ann Brown, Emporia
Elaine Fowler Bryant, Pittsburg
Betty Holderread, Newton
Lois McLure, Kingman
Barry L. Schartz, Kingman
Sally McCabe Shipley, Kansas City, Mo.
Doris Velen, Manhattan

***Special Additional Award**



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