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**Introduction**  
Manuscripts, publications, and personal papers of an author and the first Poet Laureate of Missouri (2008-2010).

**Donor Information**  
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Manuscripts  
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Flying The Flat World (4)  
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Abraxas 23/24 (1981)  
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American Literary Review, Vol. VI, No. 1 (Spring 1995)  
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Poetry Northwest, Vol. XXXI, No. 2 (Summer 1990)
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Visions #12 (1983)
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Webster Review, Vol. 6, No. 2 (Fall 1981)
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Chester H. Jones Foundation National Poetry Competition Winners 1995
Chester H. Jones Foundation National Poetry Competition Winners 2000
Inherit The Wind script/program, 20 November 1964
Jumping Pond: Poems and Stories from the Ozarks, ed. by Michael Burns and Mark Sanders (SMSU English Department: Springfield, MO, 1983)
Today’s Farmer, 1995-2008
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