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cc: Sean P. Maloney/WHO/EOP, Daniel W. Burkhardt/WHO/EOP, Stephanie S. Streett/WHO/EOP, Jennifer M. Palmieri/WHO/EOP
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My goal is to have an East Room event prior to Thanksgiving.

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DATE: 9/24/98

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FROM: Stephanie Streett
Assistant to the President and Director of Presidential Scheduling

SUBJECT: Annual Medal of Freedom presentation

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TO: Stephanie Streett
Assistant to the President and Director of Scheduling

FROM: Phil Caplan *Phil*
Assistant to the President and Staff Secretary

REQUEST: For the President to make the annual Medal of Freedom presentation.

PURPOSE: The Medal of Freedom is the highest civilian award the President can make. Traditionally, he presents 10-12 Medals together in one East Room ceremony. This is an annual event.

PREVIOUS PARTICIPATION: Each year since he has been President.

DATE AND TIME: Mid-Late November or first week in December (date is very flexible -- it's important to schedule the event before the Christmas decorations go up -- possibly Nov 23-25, or 30; or earlier in month if whole foreign trip doesn't materialize).

BRIEFING TIME: 15 minutes.

DURATION: 45 minutes - 1 hour.

LOCATION: White House - East Room.

PARTICIPANTS: 10-12 Medal of Freedom winners and their families and friends; East Room audience of invited guests connected to the Medal winners.

OUTLINE OF EVENTS: TBD - but usually President makes brief opening remarks and then brief remarks about each recipient as he presents them each with the Medal.

REMARKS REQUIRED: Yes -- prepared by Speechwriting.

MEDIA COVERAGE: Open.

FIRST LADY'S
ATTENDANCE: Yes.

VICE PRESIDENT'S
ATTENDANCE: Helpful but not required.

MRS. GORE'S
ATTENDANCE: Not required.

RECOMMENDED BY: Annual event.

CONTACT: Phil Caplan, x62702.

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cc: Sean P. Maloney/WHO/EOP, Daniel W. Burkhardt/WHO/EOP

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Edgar Bronfman, Sr. - President of the World Jewish Congress since 1980, anti-semitism, leader of Holocaust assets recovery movement

David Brower - former head of Sierra Club and founder and current co-director of the Earth Island Institute, Brower successfully fought to keep dams out of the Grand Canyon and played a key role in establishing a national wilderness system.

Chrissie Collins - created Medic Alert (large letter writing campaign)

LaDonna Harris - Native American's and women's rights

Dolores Huerta - Co-founder, with Cesar Chavez, of the United Farm Workers of America

Kenneth Jernigan - principal leader of the National Federation of the Blind for more than 35 years. During his tenure, the organization has expanded from 7 states to 50 states and has worked to ensure equal rights for blind Americans.

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FARMER, James civil rights leader, formed Congress of Racial Equality	
FULBRIGHT, J. William Public Servant, former U.S. Senator and Member, U.S. House of Representatives from Arkansas, longtime Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, founder of the Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Program	05/05/93
ASHE, Arthur, Jr. (POSTHUMOUSLY) Athlete, former Professional Tennis Player, Philanthropist, Author	06/20/93
POWELL, General Colin L., USA (WITH DISTINCTION) Military Officer, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff during Operations Desert Shield/Desert Storm, Persian Gulf, former Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs, Deputy Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs	09/30/93
RAYE, Martha Entertainer, Humanitarian	11/15/93
BRENNAN, William J., Jr. Public Servant, former Associate Justice of the Supreme Court	11/30/93
DOUGLAS, Marjory Stoneman Conservationist, led early crusade to preserve and restore the Florida Everglades	11/30/93
MARSHALL, Thurgood (POSTHUMOUSLY) Public Servant, Attorney, former Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, Solicitor General of the United States, United States Circuit Judge for the Second Circuit, first African American to sit on the Supreme Court	11/30/93
RAUH, Joseph L., Jr. (POSTHUMOUSLY) Lawyer, Civil Rights and labor activist; former Counsel, United Auto Workers; General Counsel, Leadership Conference on Civil Rights	11/30/93
WISDOM, John Minor Public Servant, former United States Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit	11/30/93
BLOCK, Herbert Political Cartoonist	08/08/94
CHAVEZ, Cesar E. (POSTHUMOUSLY) Union Leader, United Farm Workers of America	08/08/94
FLEMMING, Arthur Public Servant, former Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare, Chairman of the Commission on Civil Rights	08/08/94
GRANT, James Executive Director of UNICEF	08/08/94
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JORDAN, Barbara Public Servant, Educator, former Member of the U.S. House of Representatives from Texas	08/08/94
KIRKLAND, Joseph Lane Labor Leader, President AFL-CIO	08/08/94
MICHEL, Robert H. Public Servant, Member of the U.S. House of Representatives from Illinois, Republican Leader	08/08/94

SHRIVER, Robert Sargent Public Servant, former Director of the Peace Corps	08/08/94
CHARREN, Peggy Founder of Action for Children's Television	09/29/95
COLEMAN, William Thaddeus, Jr. Public Servant, former Secretary of Transportation, Chairman of the Board of the NAACP Legal Defense & Educational Fund	09/29/95
COONEY, Joan Ganz Creator of Children's Television Workshop, creator of SESAME STREET	09/29/95
FRANKLIN, John Hope Historian, chronicled the history of African Americans in the South	09/29/95
HIGGINBOTHAM, A. Leon, Jr. Public Servant, former U.S. Circuit Judge for the 3rd Circuit, U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, Academic, Civil Rights attorney	09/29/95
JOHNSON, Frank M., Jr. Public Servant, former U.S. Circuit Judge for the 5th Circuit, U.S. District Judge for the Middle District of Alabama, helped to dismantle segregation, protected the rights of the mentally ill and imprisoned	09/29/95
KOOP, C. Everett Public Servant, Physician, former Surgeon General of the Public Health Service	09/29/95
NELSON, Gaylord A. Public Servant, former U. S. Senator, Governor, and State Legislator from Wisconsin, advocate for the environment, creator of Earth Day	09/29/95
REUTHER, Walter P. (POSTHUMOUSLY) Labor activist, former President, United Auto Workers	09/29/95
ROUSE, James W. Urban planner, designer of Columbia, Maryland, Boston's Faneuil Hall, Baltimore's Inner Harbor	09/29/95
VELASQUEZ, William C. (POSTHUMOUSLY) Founder of Southwest Voter Registration Education Project	09/29/95
WASSERMAN, Lew R. Philanthropist, advocate for the blind and visually impaired	09/09/96
BERNARDIN, Joseph Cardinal Archbishop of Chicago Diocese, champion of racial equality and arms control	09/09/96
BRADY, James Scott Public Servant, former Assistant to the President and Press Secretary, wounded in assassination attempt on President Ronald Reagan, gun control advocate	09/09/96
FULLER, Millard D. Founder and President of Habitat for Humanity, nonprofit provider of low cost housing	09/09/96
HAMBURG, David Alan Physician, Scientist, Educator, child development specialist, former President of Carnegie Foundation	09/09/96
JOHNSON, John H. Founder and CEO of Johnson Publishing, founder of EBONY and JET magazines	09/09/96

LANG, Eugene M. Philanthropist, founder of "I Have a Dream Foundation", provided financial assistance for education to underprivileged youth	09/09/96
NOWAK-JEZIORANSKI, Jan Member of the Polish underground during WWII, former director of Radio Free Europe's Polish Service, former National Director of Polish-American Congress	09/09/96
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UDALL, Morris Public Servant, former Member of the U.S. House of Representatives from Arizona, environmental advocate	09/09/96
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ARONSON, Arnold civil rights leader, co-founder of Leadership Conference on Civil Rights	01/15/98
ASTOR, Brooke Russell philanthropist	01/15/98
COLES, Robert Harvard psychiatrist who explores children's relationship with their world	01/15/98
DART, Jr., Justin Considered the father of Americans with Disabilities Act.	01/15/98
HESELBEIN, Frances non-profit organization expert,	01/15/98
KOREMATSU, Fred T. Challenged WWII civilian exclusion orders and became a civil rights leader	01/15/98
LINOWITZ, Sol founder of International Executive Service Corps.	01/15/98
MANKILLER, Wilma P. First chief of an Indian tribe and worked to better the lives of other Cherokee Indians.	01/15/98
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OBLEDO, Mario G. Co-founder of the Mexican-American Legal Defense and Education Fund.	01/15/98
RICHARDSON, Elliot L. Served in four different U.S. cabinet positions	01/15/98
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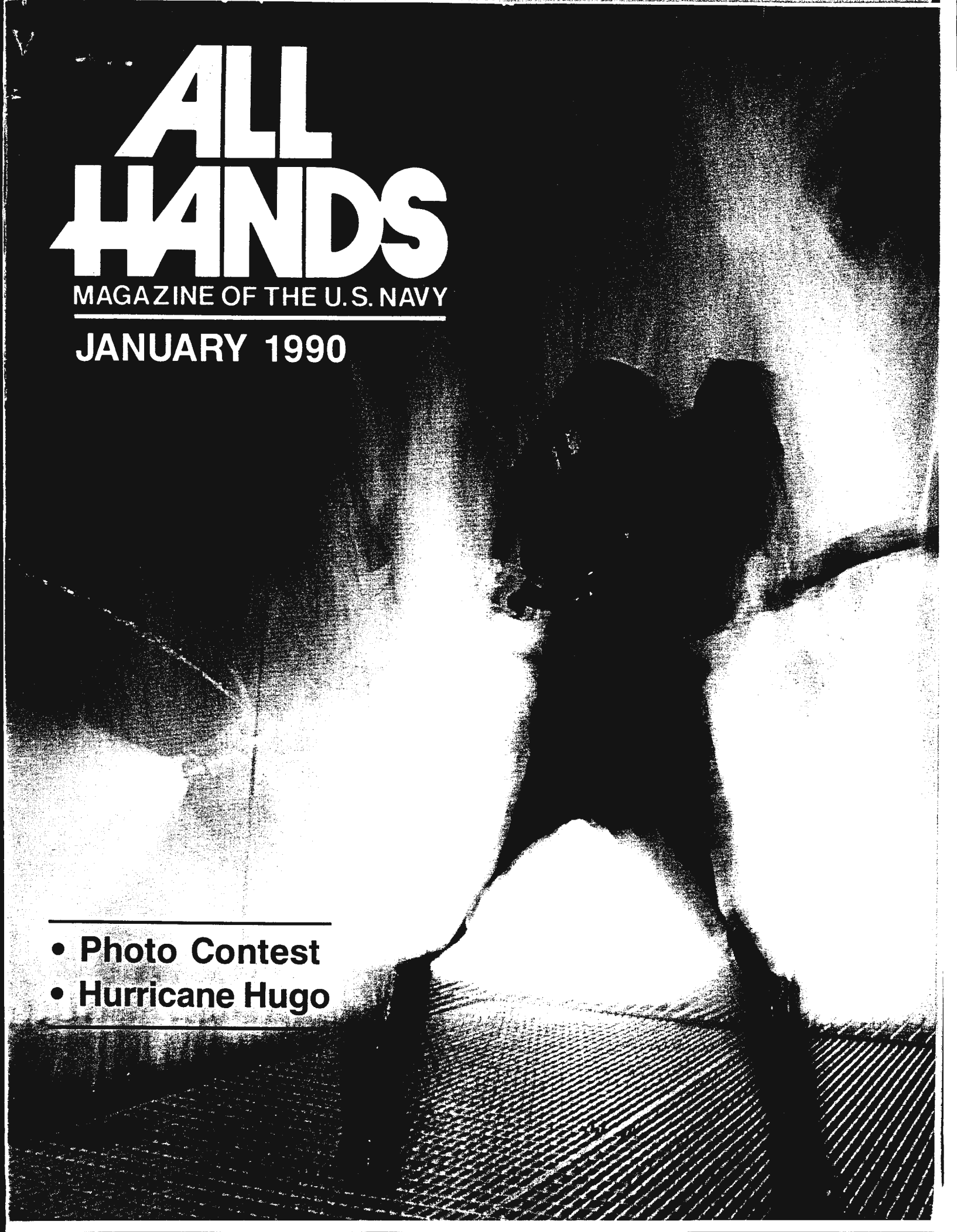
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Spotlight on Excellence

Training young minds

"You never fail until you try for the last time," says U.S. Naval Academy professor Samuel P. Massie.

Dr. Massie has taught midshipmen for 23 years and has been recognized for his dedication, excellence and achievements. He was recently inducted into the National Black College Hall of Fame that pays tribute to black achievers, those who have made the most of their educational and career opportunities.

Honored for his achievements in chemistry, Massie joins the ranks of actors, athletes, businessmen, community service volunteers, educators, government officials and other professionals in the hall of fame.

In the classroom Massie tries to combine science with his philosophy on learning. "I try to get them to put away their calculators and use their minds," he says. "It's important that today's students don't lose their ability to think, that they don't rely too much on machinery, because sometimes they can push the wrong button and get the wrong answer. They need to know when they have the wrong answer."

Massie has seen a tremendous change in current events since 1966 when he became the first black faculty member at the Academy. In that time, however, he has seen relatively little change in the quality of the midshipmen.

"They're always top quality," he said. "Different classes have their ups and downs, and I can cite some truly outstanding groups, but overall the quality doesn't change."

As for the emphasis in leadership training for the officer corps, that has changed. According to Massie, today's midshipmen have more "human" values impressed upon them.

"The Navy now puts a lot of emphasis on humanness," he said. "I try



Dr. Samuel P. Massie

to emphasize that officers need to continue to be humane and not to make decisions by rote. They're in the business of convincing people to do something they don't want to do — die for their country. They're dealing with people and need to demonstrate by example and stay human."

Along with his accomplishments at the Academy, Massie has been involved with community organizations. Last summer, he worked at the National Science Foundation as program director for undergraduate science education. In this position he helped minorities and women obtain grants for graduate education in the areas of science and mathematics.

The Maryland State Board for Community Colleges also honored Massie for his 21 years of service to their organization. He was vice chairman of the board for 11 years before becoming chairman for the past 10 years.

In 1988 Massie was honored by the White House Initiative Science and Technology Advisory Committee with the Lifetime Achievement

Award for Sustained Excellence in Science and Technology and Community Service. The award recognized his lifetime of service to the black community and traditional black colleges.

Massie graduated from AM&N College (now the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff) at age 18. He later earned his master's degree at Fisk University and doctorate at Iowa State University.

Massie hopes his students take three things with them when they leave the Academy: continue to aspire to do their best, modify with the times, continue to diversify.

As an educator Massie sees television as the biggest obstacle he faces. "TV has made a major change in getting students to read and use their minds," he says.

But when he has their attention Massie impresses upon his students the need to make their own decisions as to what to do with their lives. "I tell them, 'No wind is favorable to a sailor who does not know to what port he or she is sailing.'" □

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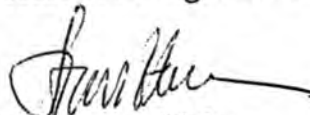
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Dear Sam,

Congratulations on being named by C&EN readers among the top 75 distinguished contributors to the Chemical Enterprise during the publication's first 75 years. Your accomplishments as a research scientist, educator, and pathbreaker for disadvantaged students interested in careers in the sciences have been extraordinary, and you richly deserve this honor.

Coming as it does on the heels of the Samuel P. Massie Chair of Excellence Program, the ACS James Flack Norris Award for Outstanding Achievement in Teaching Chemistry, and the ACS Award for Encouraging Disadvantaged Students into Careers in the Chemical Sciences, this latest recognition offers additional testimony to your impact on science education and on the lives of generations of young people who, without your assistance, would never have had the chance to realize their full potential. All of us at Wooster will be thinking of you on August 23 as you receive this honor.

Heartiest congratulations,



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Maryland, received his B.S. degree in Chemistry, graduating *summa cum laude*, from Arkansas A & M College; his M.A. degree in Chemistry from Fisk University; and his Ph.D. degree (Organic Chemistry) from Iowa State University. Dr. Massie's research director was Dr. Henry Gilman.

In 1970, Dr. Massie was the first black to receive the Honorary Doctor of Laws Degree (LL.D.) from the University of Arkansas. He has been the Chairman of the Department of Chemistry at the following institutions: Langston University, Fisk University, and the U.S. Naval Academy. Dr. Massie is a former Associate Program Director of the National Science Foundation and a former President of North Carolina College at Durham. He has served on a number of distinguished Boards of Directors, including the College of Wooster, the Herbert Lehman Educational Foundation, Towson State University, Maryland State Board for Community Colleges, and the Governor's Science Advisory Board for Maryland.

Dr. Massie's research interests include: the synthesis of drugs against cancer, malaria, tuberculosis, sickle-cell anemia, hypertension, gonorrhea and herpes.

Dr. Massie is truly a distinguished scientist-educator of the highest rank.



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Preface

Few men or women of any race have attained the respect, admiration, and degree of excellence achieved by Dr. Samuel P. Massie. Because Dr. Massie's life and work pave the way for African-Americans and other minorities in education and in the sciences, DOE chose to name its Chair of Excellence in the environmental sciences in his honor.

Education

Dr. Samuel P. Massie is a native of North Little Rock, Arkansas, where both his parents were schoolteachers. At the age of six he read at a third-grade level and by the time he was 13 he graduated from high school. Dr. Massie later attended Dunbar Jr. College (Little Rock, Arkansas) and, at the age of 18, received a BS degree (summa cum laude) from A.M.N. College of Arkansas (now the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff) with a major in Chemistry. He was awarded the MA degree in Chemistry from Fisk University in Nashville, and the Ph.D. degree in Organic Chemistry from Iowa State University.

Job History

In 1940, after completing his MS, Dr. Massie remained at A.M.N. College of Arkansas to serve as acting head of the math and physics department. After a year he left that position to pursue his doctorate. While working on his Ph.D., Dr. Massie joined the team of scientists working on the development of the atomic bomb. In 1943 he was asked to develop liquid compounds of uranium, research which would later prove a dead end in what was called the

Manhattan Project.



Upon completion of his doctorate, Dr. Massie returned to Fisk University to teach. Dr. Massie later served as Department of Chemistry Chairman at Langston University, Fisk University, and Howard University (Pharmaceutical Chemistry). From 1960-63, he was an Associate Program Director at the National Science Foundation, and from 1963-66, he was President of the North Carolina College (now North Carolina Central University) at Durham. In 1966, he became the first African-American professor at the U.S. Naval Academy where he taught chemistry and cofounded the black studies program. From 1977-81, he served as Chairman of the Department of Chemistry at the academy.

Dr. Massie retired at the end of the first semester of 1993-4. At the end of the same school year Dr. Massie was named Professor Emeritus.

On July 1, 1994, Dr. Massie came out of retirement to become Vice President for Education of The Bingwa

Software Company.  The new computer company develops software that teaches mathematics and other subjects to elementary students by using multicultural models.

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Dr. Massie has lectured widely at numerous colleges and universities including a number of the Historical Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs). He served as a Visiting Scientist in Chemistry for the American Chemical Society, a Piedmont Lecturer in North Carolina, a Julian Lecturer at North Carolina A.&T. University, and a Dreyfuss Lecturer for the United Negro College Fund.

Dr. Massie was the United Negro College Fund Distinguished Professor at Dillard University, an Eminent Scholar at Virginia State University, and from 1986-88 he was a Distinguished Visiting Professor at the University of Maryland Eastern Shore. He has been Guest Lecturer at St. Andrew's Presbyterian College, Ripon College, and the University of Northern Colorado. In 1956, he was Sigma Xi Lecturer at Swarthmore College.

He has given papers in chemistry before international conferences in Zurich, Switzerland; Tokyo, Japan; Mexico City, Mexico; and Sao Paulo, Brazil. He has published widely in refereed scientific journals, and his Chemical Reviews article, "The Chemistry of Phenothiazine," published in 1954, is considered a classic. In 1985, along with two midshipmen students and colleagues from the Walter Reed Army Institute, he was awarded a patent for Antibacterial Agents especially effective as antgonorrheal agents.

Memberships and Offices

Dr. Samuel Massie served as Chairman of the Maryland State Board for Community Colleges for 10 years. He has been a member of this Board since its beginning in 1968. He was Chairman of the Governor's Science Advisory Council in Maryland for 10 years, and was a member of the Board of Trustees of the College of Wooster in Ohio from 1966-87. For ten years, Dr. Massie was a member of the Board of Visitors of Towson State University in Maryland. From 1958-60, he was National President of Beta Kappa Chi Scientific Honorary Society, and in 1953, he was President of the Oklahoma Academy of Science. From 1988-90, he was Grand Sire Archon (National President) of Sigma Pi Phi Fraternity, America's oldest black Fraternity.

In May 1993 the U.S. Naval Academy Alumni Association elected him to Honorary Membership in the Alumni Association. He became the second civilian Professor to be so honored and the first African American. Honorary membership is limited to 25 persons. He is also a member of the Board of Directors of the Bethune-DuBois Company, an organization devoted to improving the political life of African-American youth.

Awards

Dr. Massie has received countless honors and awards. In 1961 the MCA named him one of the six best College Chemistry Professors in the United States. He is listed in *American Men of Science*, and *Who's Who in America*. In 1976 the Anne Arundel County (MD) Chapter of the NAACP gave him its Freedom Funds Award, and in July 1976 Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity presented Dr. Massie with its highest award: The Laurel Wreath.

In 1980 the National Organization of Black Professional Chemists and Chemical Engineers named him as Outstanding Professor. In 1981 his alma mater, Iowa State University, awarded him its highest alumni honor: The Distinguished Achievement Citation. Dillard University accorded him the same honor in 1981. On April 16, 1987,

the same organization gave him the Henry A. Hill Award for his long and distinguished service to the field of chemistry. In September 1988 The White House Initiative honored Dr. Massie with its first Lifetime Achievement Award for his contributions to science, technology, and community services.

In September 1989, as a graduate of two HBCU institutions, he was one of eight black Americans inducted in the National Black College Alumni Hall Of Fame in the area of Science. President Henry Ponder of Fisk University, one of his students from Langston University (Oklahoma), presented the award. That same month the Maryland Community College system recognized him for 21 years of leadership with the Maryland State Board of Community Colleges. A Massie Science Prize was established in his honor.

In November 1989 he was honored by Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity for 50 years of membership and leadership. He was first initiated into the Fisk Chapter (Alpha Delta) in 1939. In October 1990 the U.S. Naval Academy presented him with the prestigious Faculty Achievement Award for his service as teacher, researcher, and promoter of the Academy. In November 1994 Massie received the 1994 James Flack Norris Award of the Northeastern Section of the American Chemical Society for distinguished achievement in teaching chemistry.

On March 1, 1995, Dr. Massie's portrait  was hung in the National Academy of Science gallery.

Features

In January 1990 Dr. Massie was singularly featured by the Navy magazine *All Hands*, a publication distributed to all Navy personnel, in its "Spotlight On Excellence" for his lifetime service in "Training Young Minds." During that month, The Magazine for Young Black Professionals also ran a feature on Dr. Massie.

The summer 1990 issue of the Journal of the National Technical Association featured as its lead article for the section "Extending the Black Legacy through Science and Technology," a historical review by Professor Massie titled "And the Beat Goes On."

The fall 1960 issue of *College Digest*, sent to prospective college students, featured an article by Professor Massie on "Science and Mathematics in the Twenty-First Century."

In April 1994 at the opening of the "Science in American Life" exhibit at the National Museum of American History (Smithsonian Institute), sponsored by the American Chemical Society, aspects of his life and career were placed on permanent exhibit.

Inspirational Speaking

On January 16, 1990, Dr. Massie delivered the Martin Luther King, Jr. address before the prestigious Economic Club of Detroit on "Where Do We Go From Here?". This speech was beamed via cable TV to 400,000 homes in the Detroit area. Over 4,000 copies of the speech were printed for distribution.

In April 1990 Dr. Massie was the first keynote luncheon speaker at the 1990 National Convention of the National Organization of Black Professional Chemists and Chemical Engineers. His speech, a challenge to young black scientists, was titled "Quo Vadis"?

Dr. Massie continues to speak before youth groups (such as Tech-Net in Atlanta in October, 1994, and the Meyerhoff students at the University of Maryland, Baltimore County) inspiring them to pursue careers in science and technology. In January 1995 he gave the Martin Luther King, Jr., Anniversary speech aboard the flagship of the Second Atlantic Fleet in Norfolk. The ship was captained by Captain Gene Kendall, USN, who, at age 13, was inspired by Professor Massie to consider a career in science, especially engineering.

Honorary Doctorates

In 1970 the University of Arkansas (which refused his admission application in the thirties due to the segregation policies of that University) awarded him an honorary doctorate (LL.D.). In 1985 Lehigh University awarded him a D.Sc., and the University of Maryland a D. Public Service.

In June 1990 Bowie State University (MD) awarded him the honorary degree (D.H.L.) Doctor of Humane Letters for his contributions to science, technology, education, and community service. In May 1992 The College of Wooster (Ohio) awarded him an Honorary Doctor of Science (D.Sc.) degree for his contributions to science, education, and community service.

Endowments and Chairs

In December 1992, the National Naval Officer's Association and the U.S. Naval Academy's African-American Alumni established the Samuel P. Massie Educational Endowment Fund to help pay college tuition costs for women, minority, and low-income residents of Anne Arundel County (Maryland).

In September 1994 the Department of Energy and the Advancing Minorities' Interest in Engineering AMIE), a coalition of FORTUNE companies and nine historically black colleges and universities combined to establish the DOE Samuel P. Massie Chair of Excellence Professorship in Environmental Disciplines in Schools of Engineering at the nine HBCUs. Dr. Massie pursued an interest in environmental studies during his career at the Naval Academy while spending summers at the David Taylor Research Base Research facilities near Annapolis working in such diverse areas as: (a) analyses of waters deposited by ships in dock at marine facilities; (b) studies of chemicals used to prevent and/or remove barnacles from ships; (c) development of chemicals to be used as protective foams against nerve gases lobbed by missiles onto the decks of aircraft and battleships; (d) studies of detergents used aboard ships; (e) analyses of toxic metals like copper, tin, and lead in parts per billion; and (f) fire-prevention studies.

Family

Dr. Massie is married. His wife  Gloria recently retired from teaching Psychology at Bowie State University. She was also Society Editor for JET magazine. They have three sons, all of whom finished law school.

Dr. Massie's expressed desire is to be known "as a teacher who cared about his students," and "one who made a difference in their lives."

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Dr. Samuel P. Massie Chair of Excellence
— Interviews With Dr. Massie —

CATALYST

Article from the *Laurel Leader*

by Mary Lou Wendell

JULY 1, 1993

"Brains + Passion = Naval Academy's first black professor"

Video clips from an interview with Dr. Massie
for the National Science Foundation
February 28, 1983
by Dr. Shirley Malcolm



-  "Chemistry is very easy, depending on how you present it."
-  "The black colleges still today light a spark that the other colleges don't quite light."
-  "One of the real tragedies is that most of us don't come from scientifically oriented homes..."
-  "If I had not told the truth, we don't know what might have happened."

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Dr. Samuel P. Massie Chair of Excellence
— Publications of Dr. Massie —

1. As a coworker with Dr. Henry Gilman, Iowa State University.

- A. "Rearrangement in the Reaction of A-halogenonaphthalenes with Lithium Diethylamide," *Journal of the American Chemical Society*, 67, 2106 (1945).
- B. "Anils as Open Models of a Modified Atebrin," *ibid.*, 68, 908 (1946).
- C. "Reaction Between Triethylsilane and Methyl Lithium," *ibid.*, 68, 1128 (1946). (Dr. Gilman received the first Kipping Award given by the American Chemical Society for outstanding research in organosilicon chemistry in 1962. This paper was his first publication in this area).
- D. "Synthesis of 1-diethylamino-2, 3-epoxypropane and Related Compounds," *ibid.*, 68, 1291 (1946).
- E. "Sulfur Analog of the Plasmochin Type: 8-(γ-diethylaminopropyl-amino)-6-quinolyl methyl sulfide," *ibid.*, 68, 1577 (1946).
- F. "6, 8-Dichloro-2-(2'-pyridyl)-a-di-n-butylaminomethyl-4-quinoline-methanol," *ibid.*, 68, 2399 (1946).
- G. "Substituted Quinolyl Dodecyl Sulfides," *ibid.*, 71, 744 (1949).
- H. "Synthesis of N-methyl-3-isopropyl-4-dimethylaminophenylcarbamate and Related Compounds," *The Journal of Organic Chemistry*, 19, 1967 (1954).

2. As the principal investigator.

- A. "The Synthesis of 1-substituted Phenothiazines by Thionation," *ibid.*, 21, 347 (1956).
- B. "2-Phenothiazinyl Ketones and Their Derivatives," *ibid.*, 21, 1006 (1956).
- C. "A Convenient Synthesis of m-Anisidine," *ibid.*, 22, 333 (1957).
- D. "Esters of 2-Phenothiazine Carboxylic Acid," *ibid.*, 24, 251 (1959).
- E. "Further Studies on the Thionation Reaction and the Synthesis of Phenothiazinois," *ibid.*, 24, 986 (1959).
- F. "The Chemistry of Phenothiazine," *Chemical Reviews*, 54, 697 (1954). (This article was of such international interest that in excess of 500 requests for reprints from more than 50 countries were received.)

3. Papers read before international, national, regional or state meetings of professional societies, and published as abstracts in the reports of that meeting.

- A. "Tolomerization," Fall Meeting, Oklahoma Academy of Science, 1948.
- B. "Modern Aspects of Chemotherapy," Presidential Address, Fall meeting, Oklahoma Academy of Science, 1953.
- C. "Putting the Plus into Chemistry," National Meeting, American Chemical Society, Kansas City, Missouri, 1954.
- D. "Friedal-Crafts Acylations of Phenothiazine," 14th International Congress of Pure and Applied Chemistry, Zurich, Switzerland, 1955. (Partially published in *J. Org. Chem.*, 21, 1006, (1956).
- E. "The Synthesis of 1, 1 Dichloroheptane," Fall meeting, Tennessee Academy of Science, 1957.
- F. "Substituted Dianilinoethanes as Derivative for Aldehydes," Southern Regional Meeting, American Chemical Society, Gainesville, Florida, 1958.
- G. "Friedal-Crafts Acylations of Phenothiazines," *ibid.*
- H. "Some Derivatives of Xanthidrol," *ibid.*
- I. "Reactions of Isopropenyl Acetate," *ibid.*
- J. "What Chemists Do," *ibid.*
- K. "The Visiting Scientists Program in Chemistry," *ibid.*
- L. "The Special Projects in Science Education Program of the National Science Foundation," Southeastern Regional Meeting, American Chemical Society, Birmingham, Alabama, 1960.
- M. "The Undergraduate Instructional Scientific Equipment Program of the National Science Foundation,"

National Meeting, American Chemical Society, Atlantic City, NJ, 1962.

N. Symposium Leader, Centennial Meeting, ACS, New York City, April, 1976.

O. "The Trident Scholar Program of the United States Naval Academy," ACS - Mexico Joint Congress, Mexico City, November 1977.

P. Brady, Ferguson and Company, ACS - Japan National Meeting, Honolulu, HI, April 1979.

Q. "Heterocyclic Thiosemicarbazones as Antimalarial and Antibacterial Agents," Northeastern Regional Meeting, ACS, Syracuse, NY, October 1979.

4. Other Publications

A. "The Status of the Teaching of Chemistry in the High Schools of Oklahoma," *Southwestern Journal*, (1948).

B. "Research in a Small College," *Industrial Trends*, (1949).

C. "The Value of Research in an Undergraduate Program," *Beta Kappa Chi Journal*, (1954)

D. "The Significance of Research in the Education of an Undergraduate Science Student," *Beta Kappa Chi Journal*, (1962).

E. "Historically Black Higher Educational Institutions and the Marine Sciences," *Current*, Fall, 1982.

5. Book Reviews

A. "Organic Chemistry, by Fieser and Fieser," *J. Chem. Ed.*, 33, 597.

B. "Laboratory Technique in Organic Chemistry," by Wilberg, *ibid.*, 38, A 192 (1961).

C. "Experimental Organic Chemistry," by Baldwin, *ibid.*, 43, 506 (1966).

D. 4 Books in Chemical processes. 1957-60.

6. Trident Scholars of Professor Massie

(The Trident Scholar program at the U. S. Naval Academy allows a few highly qualified students each year to perform significant research projects in their senior year in place of much of the normal course work. Selection for the program is extremely competitive.)

1967-8 PAUL GUY GALENTINE III, "Sulphur-Containing Ring Derivatives of Phenothiazine as Antimalarials."

1969-70 JOHN WILLIAM BODNAR, "The Synthesis of New Antimalarials."

1970-1 STEVEN CRAIG SPANCAKE, "The Synthesis of Pyrimidines as Potential Cardiovascular Drugs and Characterization Agents."

1971-2 MICHAEL MCKINNEY, "A Study of Some Factors Affecting the Biochemical Conversion of Mercury Pollutants to Toxic Methyl-Mercury by Microorganisms in a Marine Sediment."

1972-3 RICHARD ALLEN ELLIOTT, "The Synthesis of Alkylated Amino Acids as Potential Drugs against Lung Cancer."

1973-4 JOHN JOSEPH MCCAFFREY, JR., "Derivatives of Carbinol Amines as Potential Antimalarials."

1976-7 HARRY JOHN GERHARD, "The Synthesis of Nitrogen Mustard Derivatives of Hydantoins and Related Compounds as Potential Anti-Brain Tumor Agents."

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Dr. Samuel P. Massie Chair of Excellence
— Dr. Massie Quoting Others —

"Education remains one of the black community's most enduring values. It is sustained by the belief that freedom and education go hand in hand, that learning and training are essential to economic quality and independence."
(Marian Wright Edleman in "Black America," 1989)

"The reason that most people don't recognize opportunity is that it generally looks like work."

"We're all fools until we know that in the common plan, nothing is worth the building if it does not build the man. Why build these temples glorious, if man unbuilt goes? We build our world in vain, unless the builders also grow." (Edwin Markham)

"It must be borne in mind that the tragedy of life does not lie in not reaching your goal. The tragedy of life lies in having no goal to reach." (Benjamin E. Mays)

"A sparrow flying through the air heard a clap of thunder. He fell to the ground with his two little legs sticking straight up in the air. An eagle flying nearby saw the sparrow and asked, 'What's happening?' Replied the sparrow, 'The sky is falling down.' Mocked the eagle, 'And what are you going to do, hold it up with those little legs of yours?' Replied the sparrow, 'One does what one can with what one has.'" (African Parable)

"Free at last; free at last; thank God Almighty, we're free at last." (Negro Spiritual)

"A mule cannot kick when he is pulling, and he cannot pull when he is kicking."

"It is the best of times and the worst of times." (Charles Dickens)

"Ships sail east and ships sail west by the self-same breezes blow. It's the set of the sail and not the gale that determines where they go."

"Man knows so little of man." (W.E.B. DuBois, *Souls of Black Folks*)

"An old man traveling a long highway
Came the evening cold and gray
To a chasm vast and deep and wide
Through which was flowing a solemn tide
The old man full of vigor and vim
Crossing eased in the twilight dim
But he turned and, safe on the other side,
Built a bridge to span the tide."
(Unknown)



"The student is not a vessel to be filled, but a fire to be lit, and a good fire needs fresh air."

"We fly through the air like birds; we swim through the water like fish; let us walk on the earth like men and women."

"Well, Son, I tell you, life for me ain't been no crystal stair.
It's been hard and bare and rough places on the floor,
But all the while I'se been climbing, and going forth

In the dark, cause there ain't been no light.
So don't you sit down cause it's kind a hard,
Don't you quit because its rough
Cause you see, I'se still climbing
And life for me ain't been no crystal stair."
("Mother to Son" by Langston Hughes)

"We have miles and miles to go before we sleep."

"If it is to be, it is up to me."

"No wind is favorable to a sailor who does not know to what port he or she is sailing."

"Somebody said that it couldn't be done, but he with a
chuckle replied,
That maybe it couldn't, but he'd be one, who wouldn't
say so until he tried.
So he took off his coat with a bit of a grin, and he
started to sing,
As he tackled the thing that couldn't be done, and
he did it."

"If you think you are beaten, you are,
You've got to think high to rise.
You've got to be sure of yourself,
before you can ever win the prize.
Life's battles don't always go
to the stronger or swifter man.
But sooner or later, the one who wins
Is the one who thinks he can."

"A different world will not be built by indifferent people."



"I have to live with myself, and so.
I want to be fit for myself to know.
I want to be able as the days go by.
Always to look myself straight in the eye.
I don't want to stand with the setting sun, and hate myself
For the things I've done."

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Dr. Samuel P. Massie Chair of Excellence — Speeches by Dr. Massie —

"The Flight of the Bumblebee"

An Honors Day Convocation Address Given at
St. Paul's College, Lawrenceville, Virginia
Sunday, April 20, 1986

(Speech delivered to many youth audiences
with the message of being willing to do the impossible.)



"I have to live with myself. and so.
I want to be fit for myself to know
I want to be able as the years go by.
Always to look myself straight in the eye.
I don't want to stand with the setting sun.
And hate myself for the things I've done."

"Where Do We Go From Here?"

Delivered Before The Economic Club of Detroit
January 16, 1990

(A talk given in honor of and in tribute to the
life and memory of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.)



"The student is not a vessel to be filled.
but a fire to be lit. and a good fire needs fresh air."

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Dr. Samuel P. Massie Chair of Excellence
— DOE Reception Honoring Dr. Massie —

**THE SAMUEL P. MASSIE
HONORARY RECEPTION**

*November 30, 1994
Lucius L'Eufant Plaza Hotel
Monet IV Room*

*3:30 pm - 4:00 pm Social Time for Guests
4:00 pm - 4:30 pm Welcome and Opening Remarks*

*✦ Corliss S. Moody
Director
Office of Economic Impact
and Diversity*

*Remarks and Introduction
of Daniel Struble*

*✦ Thomas P. Grunley
Assistant Secretary
Office of Environmental
Management*

Remarks

*✦ Daniel Struble
Chairman
Advancing Minorities Interest in
Engineering
and
Vice President
Corporate Engineering
Abbott Laboratories*

4:30 pm Remarks and Presentation of Awards

✦ Secretary O'Leary

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Dr. Samuel P. Massie Chair of Excellence
— Others Quoting Dr. Massie —

"My biggest contribution has been that I'm a good chemistry teacher. God's given me the gift of helping people understand." (from "The Gift of Helping People Understand", Navy Times, August 1991)

On the first day of class: "I won't try to make a fool out of you because God beat me to it." To put students at ease: "My wife calls me her FBI man: Fat, Black, and Intelligent." (from "Academy Professor Provides his Plebes Lessons of a Lifetime," Baltimore Sun, June 1991)

"All of my students began with an 'A'. Some students would say, 'Dr. Massie, you're crazy. I have never had an 'A' in Chemistry in my life. Why would you give me an 'A'? I always told them, 'Because I'm going to treat you and expect you to handle it like an 'A' student. 'A' students do harder work. 'A' students come to class. 'A' students react to different things.' Now, they didn't all appreciate it, but at least for the moment they believed it. And I believed that they were capable of making an 'A'. People will do what you expect them to do, I've learned that." (from speech "Where Do We Go from Here," delivered by Dr. Massie before The Economic Club of Detroit, January 16, 1990)

"Many people, and some of them are teachers, who unconsciously make science and mathematics too difficult, feel that science and mathematics are not for the common student. They are wrong. The depth of use may vary, but the principles remain understandable to all of us." (from "Science and Mathematics in the 21st Century")

"You should live so that when you die even the undertaker will cry." (from speech "Where Do We Go from Here," delivered by Dr. Massie before The Economic Club of Detroit, January 16, 1990)

"I'd like to be remembered as a teacher who cared, as a man who tries to make a difference." (from "Brains + Passion = Naval Academy's First Black Professor," Laurel Leader, July 1, 1993)

"Be a part of the solution, not the problem." (from the speech "The Flight of the Bumblebee")

"You've never failed until you try for the last time, and you've never lost until you quit." (charge to Beaumont students)

"Affirmative action can only get you in the door. It won't keep you there. You have to do that yourself." (from "Traveling Navy Prof. Inspires Blacks", The Capital, April 3, 1985)

On teaching a different kind of three R's: "I teach the [students] that they need reason to collect and use facts. They also need to respect everyone, from the admiral to the janitor. And they need responsibility - because it's no small coincidence that the captain must go down with his ship." (from "Massie honored for Lifetime Dedication to Teaching," Trident, May 14, 1993)

"I always tell my students, you find what you're looking for. Don't go looking for wrong." (from "Return of Montel Williams," The Capital, April 30, 1993)

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Ten Pointers for Successful Living in a Multi-Ethnic Society
(from "The Flight of the Bumblebee," an Honors Day convocational address given at St. Paul's College,
Lawrenceville, Virginia)

1. Have pride in your heritage.
 2. Have faith in yourself.
 3. Get knowledge in your head.
 4. Get money in your pocket.
 5. Have a ballot in your hand and use it.
 6. Have a sense of responsibility.
 7. Respect yourself and others.
 8. Set a goal to achieve.
 9. Have work in your plans.
 10. Live so that you show God in your heart.
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— Dr. Massie's Community Service —

Special Service in the Improvement of Science Education

1. Participant, Third Chemistry Conference, American Chemical Society, Oklahoma State University, 1952.
2. Assistant Director, Fifth Chemistry Conference, American Chemical Society, Kenyon College, 1954.
3. Co-director, Sixth Chemistry Conference, American Chemical Society, Fisk University, 1955.
4. Member, first panel convened by NSF to recommend Summer Institutes for support, 1956.
5. Member, first panel convened by NSF to select Science Faculty fellows.
6. Participant, Fifteen Evaluation Panels, NSF, 1956-60.
7. Co-director, NSF Summer Institute for High School Teachers, New Mexico Highlands University, 1957.
8. Director, In-Service Institutes, Fisk University, 1958-60.
9. Director, NSF Institute, High School Teachers, Fisk University, Summers, 1959, 1960.
10. Director, NSF Summer Science Program for High School Science Students, Fisk University, 1960.
11. Director, Science Institute, Southern University, LA, 1958.
12. Participant, Writing Conference, Elementary Science Textbook, AAAS University of Maryland, summer, 1966.
13. Teacher in NSF Summer Institutes:
 - Dillard Univ. (LA)
 - Carleton College (MN)
 - Texas Southern Univ. (TX)
 - University of Detroit (MI)
 - University of N. Colorado (CO)
 - Knoxville College (TN)
 - Virginia State College (VA)
 - Prairie View State College (TX)
 - Savannah State College (GA)
 - Alcorn A. M. College (MS)
 - S. Carolina State College (SC)
 - A. & T. University (NC)
14. Scientific Seminars delivered at the following major universities:
 - Duke University
 - Brigham Young University
 - University of N. Carolina at Chapel Hill
 - University of Wyoming
 - Howard University
 - Vanderbilt University
 - Brown University
 - University of Kansas
15. Visiting Scientist of the following institutions:
 - Talladega College (AL)
 - Lambuth College (TN)
 - DePauw University (ID)
 - Grambling State Univ (LA)
 - Wofford College (SC)
 - Lander College (SC)
 - Erskine College (SC)
 - Presbyterian College (SC)
 - Centre College (KY)
 - Phillips Univ. (OK)

Orange County Comm. Coll. (NJ)
Kansas State College at Emporia
West Virginia State Coll (WV)
Fullerton Jr. College (CA)
Central State College (OK)
Northwestern State College (OK)
Morgan State College (MD)
Lycoming College (PA)
Westminister College (PA)
Montclair State College (NJ)
Glenville State College (WV)
Upsala College (NJ)
Bloomfield College (NJ)

16. Convocation Speaker at the following institutions:

N. Carolina Coll. at Durham (before Presidency)
Grambling State Univ.
Langston Univ. (OK)
Florida A. & M. Univ.
St. Augustine College (NC)
Alabama State College (AL)
A.M.N. College (TN)
Texas Southern Univ. (TX)
Knoxville College (TN)
Savannah State College (GA)
Southern Univ. (LA)
Univ. of MD, Eastern Shore (MD)
Dillard Univ. (LA)

17. Dreyfuss Lecturer in Chemistry to the following institutions:

Livingstone College (NC)
Dillard Univ. (LA)
Spelman College (GA)
Jarvis Christian Coll. (TX)
Paine College (GA)
Virginia Union Univ. (VA)
Lane College (GA)
JC Smith Univ. (NC)
Benedict College (TN)
Xavier University (LA)
Voorhees College (SC)

18. Piedmont Lecturer to the following colleges in North Carolina:

Davidson College
Belmont-Abby College
Catawba College
Lenior-Rhyne College
Wake Forest University
Queens College

19. Kellogg Lecturer at University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff

20. MARC Lecturer at:

Bennett College
Philander Smith Coll. (AR)
AT University
Bishop College (TX)

21. Commencement speaker at:
Savannah State College (GA)
Salisbury State College (MD)
Prince Georges Co. Comm. Coll. (MD)

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Dr. Samuel P. Massie Chair of Excellence
— Dr. Massie's Retirement Announcement —

Headline: Massie retires after 28 years at USNA

by Debbie Carroll, USNA Public Affairs

The Naval Academy's first African American professor, Dr. Samuel P. Massie, retired Dec. 15 after 28 years of service at the academy. Massie was honored at a dinner on Wednesday evening at the Bay Ridge Inn in Annapolis.

A native of Little Rock, Ark., Massie graduated from high school at age 13. By the age of 18, he had earned a Bachelor of Science degree in chemistry, summa cum laude, from A.M.N. College of Arkansas (now the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff). Later, he was awarded a Master of Arts degree in chemistry from Fisk University and a Ph.D. degree in organic chemistry from Iowa State University.

During his career, Massie served as chairman of the department of chemistry at Langston University in Oklahoma, Fisk University in Tennessee and at Howard University in Washington, DC. From 1960-63, he was an associate program director at the National Science Foundation, and from 1963-66, he was president of the North Carolina College at Durham. Since 1966, Massie has been teaching chemistry to midshipmen, and from 1977-81, he served as chairman of the academy's chemistry department.

For his many contributions to science, technology, education and community service, Massie was awarded honorary degrees from the University of Arkansas, Lehigh University in Pennsylvania, the University of Maryland, Bowie State University in Maryland and Wooster College in Ohio.

"Dr. Massie is definitely the most well-known person in my department," said Professor Mark Elert, chairman of the academy's chemistry department. "He has been a unique asset to this department in so many ways, and he will be sorely missed by us all."

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Academy professor provides his plebes lessons of a lifetime

By Peter Jensen

Anne Arundel County Bureau of The Sun

ANNAPOLIS — When Dr. Samuel P. Massie arrived in Annapolis 25 years ago, he was unable to buy a home, at least not in the city's white residential neighborhoods where blacks were unwelcome.

A product of segregated Arkansas and the Great Depression, Dr. Massie had learned to sidestep such barriers. He moved his family to Laurel and commuted the 25 miles to work.

Today, the U.S. Naval Academy's first black professor is as much an institution here as the Herndon Monument, the Tecumseh statue or the chapel's familiar copper dome. Only, as almost any midshipman will tell you, he is a lot more fun to talk to.

"You get hurt, you pause, maybe you cry, but you go on," said Dr. Massie, who has overcome a slew of racial barriers in his 72 years. "Sometimes you have to accept it because the world is like it is."

At a time when other men might contemplate retirement, Dr. Massie's energy is undiminished. He is spending the summer at the National Science Foundation in Washington helping develop programs to encourage young minority students to enter science. This fall he will return for another year of teaching chemistry at the academy.

But what else could you expect from a man who wants to teach students "as much about life as chemistry," who earned his first college degree at the age of 18 and has become a nationally recognized pioneer among



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Dr. Massie, shown in chemistry lab, was the first black professor hired by the academy.

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By Karen Jowers

LIFE IN THE TIMES staff writer

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Scholar defied logic

Don't bow to negative, Massie says

MARY JEAN BABIC
News Staff Writer

Bumblebees fly — right in the face of logic.

When the striped insects go airborne, they violate laws of nature by remaining the bees flightless because their wings are too short to propel their fat bodies.

Likewise, Samuel P. Massie defied expectations.

As a black youth growing up in Kansas in the 1920s, laws of sociology dictated that Massie likely could not achieve national acclaim as a chemist and become a teacher at the U.S. Naval Academy.

Now, at 71 and possessing fistfuls of accolades, Massie enjoys imparting the bumblebee's tale and his hope so students focus on what they do, not what people tell them they cannot.

All my life, people have told me I can't do things," said Massie, Tuesday visited Saginaw High School, 3100 Webber.

"I didn't pay attention to that. "Everybody knew the Cincinnati Reds couldn't win. But Cincinnati didn't know that."

Massie spoke to students in math and science classes, and later to their teachers, to stress the subjects' importance and the need for black scholars in those disciplines.

"Last year, we only graduated four black Ph.D.s in mathematics in the whole United States," he said.

"If we do that, we're lost before we start."

Massie gathers his inspiration from a motley spectrum of sources, including the Bible and mayonnaise labels, which, he points out, instruct customers to "keep cool, don't freeze."

His message was not lost on seniors Delicia J. Seals, 17, and her twin sister, Felicia.

"He did an excellent job," Felicia Seals said, adding she will remember a credo that Massie formed

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World-renowned scientist and chemist Sam Massie talks with science math teachers at Saginaw High School, 3100 Webber, on Tuesday about how to motivate students.

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John Sparks

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with 10 two-letter words:

"If it is to be, it is up to me."

She and her sister plan to attend college. They are the daughters of Eugene and Joyce Seals, 2910 Webber.

After speaking to students, Massie met with some teachers to discuss making science and math — two of academia's least-exalted subjects among youngsters — interesting to students.

He recommended breaking lessons into small portions so students don't feel overwhelmed when faced with such foreign concepts as the periodic table of the elements or quadratic equations.

"Good science is like good whiskey," he said.

"If you drink it too fast, you'll get drunk."

Ted I. McLaughlin, Saginaw High's math department chairman, agreed with the piecemeal approach, adding he tries to relate abstract mathematical concepts to things students know, such as money.

He also praised Massie's enthusiasm for teaching.

"For a 71-year-old man to still have that love and joy for what he's doing, that's quite an accomplishment," said McLaughlin, no rookie

himself with 23 years of teaching his credit.

To attract students to math science classes, educators must erase the myth that the subjects are too difficult to master, Massie said.

He offered a memory aid to teachers to give students when learning the table of elements:

"If a doctor can't helium or uranium, the undertaker will bury said Massie, and then respond to teachers' groans by saying, know; I'm corny. My kids call Pop Corn."

Massie graduated from high school at age 13 and received a bachelor's degree in chemistry in 18.

He served as chairman of chemistry departments at Lehigh University, Fisk University, and Howard University, and from 1963-66 he was president of North Carolina College.

But school administration is not to Massie's taste, so he turned to his favorite profession: teaching, and accepted a post at the Naval Academy in Annapolis, Md.

His wife, Gloria, is a psychology professor at Bowie State University in Bowie, Md., and is social editor of Jet magazine. They have three sons.

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MEMORANDUM FOR DISTRIBUTION

FROM: PHIL CAPLAN *Phil*
And DAN BURKHARDT

SUBJECT: Medal of Freedom

There will be a meeting tomorrow at 9:45 am in the First Lady's Conference Room (Rm 100) to discuss candidates for the 1998 class of Medal of Freedom recipients. Attached is a list divided into two parts: the first includes names we think should probably be included on the list forwarded to the President for his consideration; the second includes names for discussion. We are aiming for a list of 17-18 names from which the President would pick 10-12. All categories are not represented, but we are close to a good, representative class.

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MEDAL OF FREEDOM - 1998

I. NAMES LIKELY TO BE FORWARDED TO PRESIDENT FOR CONSIDERATION:

Public Service

Gerald Ford

Lloyd Bentsen

George Mitchell

American Heroes

John Glenn (77). Successfully piloted our country's first manned orbital mission and recently returned to space as our nation's oldest astronaut. Retired four-term U.S. Senator.

Civil Rights

Daisy Bates (83). Mentor to the Little Rock Nine, she and the students chosen to integrate Little Rock Central High School entered that school in 1957, escorted by paratroopers (Gold Medal for Little Rock Nine issue ?)

Constance Baker Motley (77). Won nine out of ten civil rights cases she argued before the U.S. Supreme Court to enforce Brown v. Board of Education. New York State's first black woman senator. Appointed by President Johnson as the first African American female federal judge.

Environment

Laurence Rockefeller (88). Philanthropist who has donated money and land -- including property in New York, Vermont, Wyoming, and the Virgin Islands -- for national parks and contributes his time and money to environmental protection, cancer research, and the development of emerging technologies.

Human Rights

Edgar Bronfman, Sr. (68). Human rights advocate, proponent of religious freedom, and President of the World Jewish Congress, he has helped achieve some justice for Holocaust victims by spearheading the retrieval and return of assets confiscated during the Holocaust.

Robert Bernstein (75). Founder of Human Rights Watch, which monitors human rights in the Western Hemisphere, Asia, Africa, and the Middle East. Publisher of the works of Eastern Bloc dissidents like Andrei Sakharov and Vaclav Havel and Chinese dissidents such as Wei Jingsheng and Harry Wu.

II. NAMES FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION:

Civil Rights

Shirley Chisholm (74). First African American female member of Congress; first African American or female candidate for President of a major political party.

Betty Friedan (77). Author of the *Feminine Mystique*. Co-founder and first president of the National Organization for Women. Helped to found the National Abortion Rights Action League and the National Women's Political Caucus.

Robert Parris Moses (63). Instrumental in shifting the emphasis of civil rights movement from sit-ins and Freedom Rides to voter registration. Helped to organize Freedom Summer, whose effect was to expose the deep racism of white Mississippi and spur the federal government into action. Later established the Algebra Project, a math and science program aimed at inner city and minority school children.

Bayard Rustin (posthumous). Confidante and advisor of Martin Luther King, Jr. Strong symbol for gay community.

Education

Ruth Colvin (82). Founded Literacy Volunteers of America, a grass-roots nonprofit organization that provides free tutoring to functionally illiterate adults.

Children and Families

Gloria Yerkovich (56). Founded Child Find, Inc., an organization devoted to locating abducted and missing children. Yerkovich's efforts raised awareness of the problem of missing and abducted children, which led to the passage of the 1982 Omnibus Victims Protection Act and the Missing Children Act.

Environmental

Carl Sagan (posthumous). Eminent author and astronomer, popularized modern science, key contributor to the Mariner, Viking, and Voyager space missions, won 1978 Pulitzer Prize and two NASA Medals for Distinguished Public Service (deferred from last year).

Human Rights

Harry Belafonte (71). Helped to coalesce the cultural community behind the 1960's civil rights movement. Launched the USA for Africa project to address the effects of war, drought, and famine in Africa. Brought artists together to record "We are the World." Helped initiate Hands Across America in an effort to relieve hunger in the U.S.

Labor

Evy Dubrow (81). One of the founders of the Coalition of Labor Union Women and a former union leader who fought against the return of the sweatshop, against unfair trade laws that would exploit U.S. and foreign workers, for labor law reform, a minimum wage increase, and family and medical leave.

Dolores Huerta (68). Co-founded the United Farm Workers of America with Cesar Chavez and remains its vice president. More recently, has worked through the Feminist Majority Fund and Foundation to develop empowerment projects for Hispanic women and other women of color.

Asian American

Dith Pran (56). (Not fully researched) Cambodian wartime life portrayed in "The Killing Field." Pran, a photographer, covered fall of Pnomh Penh along with NYT correspondent. Pran then exiled to labor camp for four years before escaping to Thailand in 1979. Founder and President of Dith Pran Holocaust Awareness Project. Photojournalist for NYT since 1980.

Hispanic

Sister Isoline Ferre (80s) (not fully researched) Catholic Nun. "Mother Teresa" of Puerto Rico. Recognized throughout Hispanic communities as a saintly humanitarian.