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**THE COLLEGE PARK SCHOLARS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION AND COLLEGE PARK
SCHOLARS WELCOME LISE VAN SUSTEREN FOR A DISCUSSION ON
GLOBAL CLIMATE CHANGE**

On November 6, 2007 at 7:00PM the College Park Scholars Alumni Association, Inc. (CPSAA) and the College Park Scholars program at the University of Maryland College Park will host a presentation on global warming by Lise Van Susteren, M.D. The lecture will be in the Grand Ballroom of the Adele H. Stamp Student Union on the University of Maryland Campus. College Park Scholars Alumni, current Scholars, and the greater campus community are invited to learn more about this urgent issue facing our society.

In 2006, Dr. Van Susteren was chosen as one of the first fifty persons to be trained by Al Gore to give their version of his global warming slide show, the basis of the documentary, "An Inconvenient Truth." She is taking her version to political, church, educational, environmental and civic groups across the Baltimore-Washington metropolitan area. Dr. Van Susteren has presented or is scheduled to present her slideshow to more than 50 varied audiences. She is eager to learn the concerns of the communities she visits, to take questions, give practical energy saving tips and strategize ways to take civic action.

"The CPSAA is very excited about Dr. Van Susteren's presentation on campus as it connects the Alumni Association and Scholars to the broader University of Maryland community on an issue of vast importance," Chris Branin, President and Chairman of the CPSAA Board of Directors. As a complement to the 2007 First Year Book, *The Ravaging Tide*, by Mike Tidwell, Dr. Van Susteren's presentation enhances the campus-wide efforts to raise awareness and educate the community on the changes we need to make as a society to live greener and more sustainable lives. Co-sponsors include the **First Year Book Program**, the **Division of Student Affairs Environment Committee**, **Phi Kappa Phi**, and **EcoHouse**, a living-learning program at the University of Maryland focusing on environmental issues.

Founded in the fall of 2001, The College Park Scholars Alumni Association (CPSAA) is an organization of almost 1000 alumni of the College Park Scholars living-learning program at the University of Maryland, College Park. The CPSAA includes undergraduates and graduates committed to the continued success of the program and to connecting with fellow alumni and current Scholars. Through networking events, development initiatives, and collaboration with program faculty, staff, and current students, the CPSAA aims to extend the College Park Scholars Community beyond the bounds of the undergraduate experience. For more information please visit www.collegeparkscholars.com or contact Kevin Baxter at bax@umd.edu.

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