The Columbia Alumni Association and the Asian Columbia Alumni Association cordially invites you to attend the gala benefit awards dinner to endow an ACAA Scholarship.

Saturday, October 13, 2007
6:30 p.m. Cocktails, 7:30 p.m. Dinner (Black-Tie)
Low Memorial Library Rotunda, Columbia University, 116th Street & Broadway, NYC

2007 Columbia University Distinguished Achievement Award Honorees

Margaret Fung BC’71
Ms. Fung is a co-founder and executive director of the Asian American Legal Defense and Education Fund, a nonprofit organization that protects and promotes the civil rights of Asian Americans through litigation, advocacy, and community education. A graduate of Barnard College, she earned her law degree from New York University, where she was a member of the NYU Law Review, an Arthur Garfield Hays Civil Liberties Fellow, and a Root-Tilden Scholar. Ms. Fung also received an honorary LL.D. from the City University of New York (CUNY) Law School in 1997.

Janice Min CC’90 JN’91
Ms. Min, a Columbia College and Graduate School of Journalism alumna, is editor in chief of Us Weekly. She was named one of New York’s rising stars in 2006 as Crain’s “40 Under 40” and one of CNBC’s “5 Young Guns” for 2006. Us Weekly is the news-driven and timely authority in celebrity journalism and consistently delivers breaking celebrity news to more than 11 million readers each week.

Dr. Ponisseril Somasundaran
Dr. Somasundaran is the LaVon Duddleston Krumb Professor of Mineral Engineering at The Fu Foundation School of Engineering and Applied Science. He received his M.S. and Ph.D. from the University of California at Berkeley, a bachelor of engineering from the Indian Institute of Science, and a bachelor of science from Kerala University. In 1985, he was inducted into the National Academy of Engineering, which is among the highest professional distinction that can be conferred on an engineer, and later into the Chinese, Indian and Russian National Academies. He is the author/editor of 15 books and of more than 400 scientific publications and patents. Dr. Somasundaran is the honorary editor in chief of the international journal Colloids and Surfaces. He has served on many prominent international and national committees.

Emcees:
Cindy Hsu, Emmy Award winning anchor and reporter at CBS News and Prof. Sree Sreenivasan, Dean of Students, Columbia Graduate School of Journalism
Cost: $5,000 corporate tables; $350 individual tickets; 
$150 for recent alumni/ae, Classes of 1998-2007 
A corporate table includes tickets for ten and recognition in the dinner program.

Individual tickets are tax-deductible in the amount of $200 except for recent alumni/ae. Corporate Tables are tax-deductible in the amount of $3,500. The non-deductible portion of each dinner is $150.

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NAME ______________________________________ CLASS AND SCHOOL __________________________

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Please reserve _______ dinners at $350; faculty and recent alumni ______ at $150.

I enclose $__________ as a voluntary contribution.

We urge those who are able to consider donating additional amounts to subsidize the attendance at the dinner of students and faculty

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