

Thursday, January 16<sup>th</sup>

**VULNERABILITY 2030: Four Scenarios**

**6:30 p.m. – 9:15 P.M. (PLEASE NOTE LOCATION)**



The Leadership of the *National Capital Chapter of the World Future Society* is pleased to announce our first event of 2014...Please join us on Thursday, January 16<sup>th</sup> at the historic Hotel Lombardy in Downtown D.C. as we welcome the Chairman and Senior Futurist at the Institute for Alternative Futures, and recipient of the World Future Society's Lifetime Achievement Award, **Clem Bezold**. He will be presenting on **Vulnerability 2030**.

What is the future of social and economic vulnerability in the United States? The last century has seen wide swings albeit with a general and persistent rise in conditions that support social and economic security. By 2030, how high will structural unemployment be? Will urban agriculture and home food production (e.g. aeroponics) be significant? Will advances in energy technology, particularly solar, hydrogen, battery storage, etc., make a difference for low-income households? How will conflicts in society, crime and urban blight evolve? This talk will trace four pathways—an expectable, a challenging and two visionary or surprisingly successful images. We have also updated the emerging forces that might shape personal and community self-reliance. These scenarios presented are being widely used for strategic planning in the nonprofit and philanthropic communities.

The event will be available for members and students (under 26) at \$12, and \$16 for nonmembers. **Register at <http://www.natcapwfs.org/events.htm>**. We request that all register online, in advance. If unavoidable, we will accept cash at the door; but no credit cards, please. If you would prefer to mail a check, please email us [here](#) for instructions.

As a reminder, this season we're **not** having dinner provided, so please make your plans accordingly. In addition to The Lombardy's restaurants, The Café Lombardy and The Venetian Room Bar & Lounge, there are lots of great restaurants in the neighborhood. During the event, a cash bar for drinks will be available for those who wish to enjoy them.

Mark Your Calendars! Join Us, Thursday, January 16<sup>th</sup>, with Meet-and-Greet at 6:30 p.m., followed by the program at 7:15 p.m.

The Hotel Lombardy\* is located in Foggy Bottom, at 2019 Pennsylvania Ave NW, at 21<sup>st</sup> Street. If travelling by Metro, the Hotel is an approximately 5-block walk from the Foggy Bottom or Farragut West stations on the Orange/Blue Lines, or about a block further than that from the Farragut North station on the Red Line. For those driving, the Hotel has valet parking available. Otherwise, there is street parking in the area, with most

parking meters becoming inactive at 6:30 p.m. Driving directions from outside of the District are provided here, <http://www.hotellombardy.com/maps-and-directions/> .

We look forward to seeing YOU there!

**WFS National Capital Chapter Leadership Team**

*\* Please note - The Hotel Lombardy does not have wheelchair access ramps.*

*There are two (2) outdoor and six (6) indoor steps, each approximately six inches in height.*