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MONTHLY MEETING -- Tuesday, November 14, 2006.

**Speaker: Mr. Alfred E. Whitehouse
Director, International Programs Office - Office of Surface Mining**

Topic: Indonesian Gold Mercury Amalgamation Alternatives

Indonesia is a large country with many gold mining areas scattered on the major islands of Borneo, Java, New Guinea, Sulawesi, and Sumatra. Mercury amalgamation is the traditional method used by small scale miners to recover gold. Small scale gold mines in North Sulawesi alone emit approximately 64 tons of Hg per year to the environment, exceeding the 40 tons per year emitted from coal-fired power plants in the United States.

Mr. Whitehouse will talk about his experience supporting a small batch cyanide vat leach system that was introduced in North Sulawesi to improve gold recovery and reduce the use of mercury."

Where: Pier 7 Restaurant, 650 Water Street, SW, Washington, DC
(Within walking distance of the Waterfront Metro on the Green Line)
Free parking with validation from Pier 7 Restaurant.

11:30 - Social 12:00 - Lunch 12:30 - Speaker

**Meeting cost: \$20.00 for Washington, DC Section members
\$25.00 for non-members**

Please send your RSVP and entrée choice before 12:00 noon, Friday, November 10, 2006

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Remember that we will bill "no-shows!"

--Lunch provided--

Entrée (choose one):

- 1) Medallions of New York Sirloin
- 2) Breast of Chicken
- 3) Broiled Filet of Sole with Scallops
- 4) Seafood Newburg with Rice Pilaf.

Served with: Mixed Green Salad; Potato du Jour; Fresh Rolls; Coffee, Tea, or Milk; and Ice Cream Log with Strawberry Sauce.

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