



DIALOGUE ON DIVERSITY

Friends of Dialogue on Diversity

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The fourteenth annual *Holiday Fair and Children's Gift Collection* marks the festive close of Dialogue on Diversity's 2010 program year with festivities set, as always, for the second week-end of December, this year the Friday, 10th of the month, at the Josephine Butler Parks Center, situated in a classic Washington mansion at 2437 Fifteenth Street in North West Washington, some half dozen blocks east of the Adams Morgan and Mount Pleasant districts of the city.

The program begins at 11:00 a.m. with songs of the season and introductions of guests and the children who represent the list of participating community organizations. These organizations, indispensable sources of aid and vitality in their respective neighborhoods, will distribute to the client households they serve, throughout the holiday time just ahead, the carload of toys that our Dialogue, along with friends and generous firms in the metropolitan area, have managed to collect. A time for refreshments, song and dance performances by the children, the arrival of Santa Claus, and the division of gifts among the participating community groups follow, bringing the party to its conclusion near 2:30 p.m.



Holiday Fair --- Holiday Eagerness

The *Holiday Fair* site, being announced this week, was built many decades ago as the Home of the some of Washington's elite of the day. In its history it has served as the Embassy of two countries, and as the home in our own time for a cluster of non-profit organizations serving the immigrant communities in the northwest quadrant of the city.

Friends who will attend at the *Holiday Fair* should bring a suitable toy, a book, artist's equipment, or other gift for the children, wrapping and marking each for boy or girl, with a hint of the target age – from four to fourteen. (Target price: \$10 or a shade more) A second, or third, gift will be immensely appreciated, as will your contribution of cash for additional gifts (send any contributions, marked: Children's Gifts, to Dialogue on Diversity, 1629 K St, N.W., Suite 300, Washington, D.C. 20006), Our distributing organizations number the children in their client households in the hundreds. Please have a role in this year's Holiday Fair and, as always, consult the Dialogue's Web-site (www.dialogueondiversity.org) for updates and details.