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"Do not look at your weakness, nay,  
rely upon the confirmations of the Holy Spirit, verily, it  
maketh the weak strong, the lowly mighty, the child grown.  
... and the small great."

"Verily, I say unto thee, every soul  
that ariseth today to guide others to the path of safety  
and infuse into them the spirit of life, the Holy Spirit  
will inspire that soul with evidences, proofs and facts,  
and the lights will shine upon it from the Kingdom of God"  
(Abdu'l-Baha)

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Dear Friends,

This month of April is blessed by the  
greatest Festival in the Bahai Calendar, the Festival of  
the Declaration of Baha'u'llah. It is in these twelve days  
of Ridvan that the Bahai administrative year is renewed.  
On the first day we hold our local annual meeting to hear  
the report of the outgoing assembly and elect the incoming  
one. Let us all do our utmost to be present together on  
that auspicious day. The gathering on such a day as the  
first of Ridvan can and will give us fresh energies to  
fulfil our duties as followers of Baha'u'llah.

Then on the 27th and 28th of April,  
(the seventh and eighth days of Ridvan) the National  
Convention will be held at our Centre. This is an occasion  
to meet friends from other Communities and Groups, and  
give them a heartfelt welcome. Here too, let us avail  
ourselves of the spiritual possibilities latent within a  
Bahai Convention.

On the 9th and 12th days of Ridvan  
(April 29th and May 2nd) we will have public feasts to which  
we can bring our friends outside the Cause and show them the  
warmth of Bahai fellowship.

AND LET US NOT FORGET THE MEETING AT  
CAXTON HALL ON APRIL 17th. The National Spiritual Assembly  
expects us to provide a good audience. Undoubtedly we can  
do it if we make the effort. Invitation cards can be had  
at the Centre.

A new Baha'i administrative year is at hand. We should work unitedly to make it a shining, outstanding year in the chronicles of our Faith, and humbly pray for guidance and confirmation.

With loving heartfelt greetings,

Your Spiritual Assembly.

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NEWS AND REPORTS

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At Nawruz we received many messages of greetings from friends here in this country, and abroad, amongst them the following:

"GREETINGS FROM KENYA. ALL BEST WISHES  
TRIUMPHANT NAWRUZ. WRITING. LOVE.  
MARGUERITE TERENCE PRESTON."

"WISHING YOU ALL WARMEST NAWRUZ GREETINGS  
AND EVERY SUCCESS TO YOUR WORTHY EFFORTS  
IN GOD'S CAUSE."

MANI MEHTA

The Centre was full to utmost capacity on the Nawruz Feast, and everybody was happy.

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Gift food parcels for the London Community have been received from the Baha'i Community of New York, and also from Mr. & Mrs. R. Mottahedeh. We shall sample the contents at Ridvan.

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Dorothy Jacobs is again resident in London, and able to take part in our Community activities.

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With this bulletin, there is a list of allocations for the 19-Day Feasts during the present Baha'i year. Should you find the date allocated to you inconvenient, please notify the secretary immediately. We wish to keep as much as possible to the alphabetical order.

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SUNDAY PUBLIC MEETINGS AT 3.30 p.m.

On April 21st and 28th there will be no public meetings, because of the annual meeting and the Convention. Programme for April and May is enclosed herewith.

APRIL CALENDAR.  
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- 9th. Tuesday at 7.0 p.m.  
19-Day Feast of Jalal (Splendour)  
Host: Mr. Z. Asgarzadeh.
- 17th. Wednesday at 7.0 p.m.  
CAXTON HALL MEETING.
- 21st. Sunday at 3.30 p.m. First Day of Ridvan.  
Election of new L.S.A.  
Hosts: the outgoing L.S.A.
- 27th. Saturday. Convention begins.  
Please note:- offers of food for Saturday's  
tea and supper, and Sunday high tea, should  
be made to Mr. Wilkins and Mr. Ferraby. Points  
foods, such as tinned meats, sardines, will be  
particularly welcome, but also sandwich fillings  
and potato salad would be acceptable.
- 28th. Sunday. Convention continues.  
5.30 Nineteen day Feast of Jamal (Beauty)
- 29th. Monday. 7.0 p.m. NINTH DAY OF RIDVAN.  
Readings from Colby Ives' "Song Celestial"  
and music. Friends welcome. Offers of food to  
the caterer: Miss D. Lovell, 514c Heath Terrace,  
Wandsworth Road, S.W.8.
- May  
2nd Thursday 7.0 p.m. TWELFTH DAY OF RIDVAN.  
Devotional reading, and gramophone recital.  
Food offers to caterer: Mrs. H. Spaul,  
5 Norry's Close, Cockfosters,  
Herts.

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STOP PRESS.

You will have received a letter from the National Teaching  
Committee. Please read it carefully and think about it.

RESULTS OF THE VOTING FOR DELEGATES TO CONVENTION.

Mrs. Basil Hall	16	)	
Mr. W. Wilkins	)	15	)
Mr. H. M. Balyuzi	)		)
Mrs. I. Slade	14	)	DELEGATES
Mr. J. G. Ferraby	)	13	)
Miss V. Isenthal	)		)
Mr. D. Millar	11	)	
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Mrs. D. Ferraby	8		
Mr. R. Cheek	7		
Mrs. K. Hyett	5		
Miss S. G. Kilford	3		
Miss M. Cheesman	3		
Mrs. F. George	2		
Miss M. Parker	2		
Mrs. M. Balyuzi	1		
Miss D. Lovell	1		
Miss E. Kahn	1		
Miss A. Grimshaw	1		
Mr. C. Cole	1		
Mrs. Kwong	1		

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The friends might like to know that some of the goods "booked" by visitors to the art exhibition, were never collected, and it has now been decided to offer them for sale to the community. A list of the pottery articles will be put on the notice board at the Centre, together with the prices.

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The National Convention will be held at our Centre over the week-end of April 27th - 29th. Can we have volunteers, please, for looking after the refreshments?

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We are very happy to report that we have a new believer in London, and we welcome Mrs. Kwong most heartily into our Community.

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Mr. & Mrs. Nazar and family from Nottingham, Miss Dorothy Dewhirst from Bournemouth, and Miss Doris Lovell from Devizes, have moved to London within the last month. They are now members of our Community, and to them, too, we extend the warmest welcome.

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Don't forget Summer School! Make your reservations in good time, and persuade your friends to come, too.

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