

## Thoughts from the Chair

*"To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven."* Ecclesiastes 3:1

Asylum Hill! It's our season and it's our time to witness the good life in Asylum Hill. It's our season to live in a safe, clean, economically progressive and loving neighborhood. Over 20 years ago a group of concerned neighborhood residents and stakeholders came together and formed a neighborhood problem solving team. The spirit of that team was to work hard to ensure that the Asylum Hill Neighborhood remained safe, clean, economically sound and that all residents could actually experience an awesome quality of life while residing in Asylum Hill. Today we are standing on the shoulders of the many dedicated Asylum Hill residents, stakeholders and concerned citizens who indeed worked hard to make our neighborhood what it is today.

Asylum Hill! Together we are keeping up the momentum in the spirit of those who worked before us by maintaining and building upon the positive changes and improvements in our neighborhood. If we continue to work together, we will witness the assurance of safety as we work and play in our neighborhood. If we continue to work together we will shop and dine in Asylum Hill without being distracted by panhandlers. If we work together we will live in our homes where we won't witness the constant sales and use of illegal drugs. If we continue to work together we will witness economic growth in our neighborhood. If we work together and maintain the work of those who sacrificed their strength, time and money to make Asylum Hill what it is today, we will experience the good life while residing in Asylum Hill.

I hope to see you at our next neighborhood meeting on May 1, 2017 at The 224, 224 Farmington Avenue, 6:15pm.

Happy Birthday to all the beautiful people who were born in the month of May!

April showers bring May flowers. Take time to see and smell the beautiful flowers that bloom throughout Asylum Hill and the City of Hartford.

Blessings,

Yvonne Matthews, Chair