

Thoughts from the Chair

Teamwork really does make dream work. I recall hearing my Mom say to me "Yvonne! No man/woman is an island", she was right. We need help to solve problems, establish connections to bring about peace in our neighborhood. I believe all we have to do is ask for it.

If we want to sustain the quality of life in our neighborhood, we must ask our neighbors and stakeholders to work together with us to help solve the many problems we see on our streets and in our park. Many of our neighbors need careers with sustainable incomes, pan-handling remains a large problem, our Community, High and Magnet Schools need volunteers to help support our students academically, new arrivals from other countries who now live in our neighborhood need help and support. Save the Comet! People are needed to continue to advocate for the Comet to remain, and be renovated. The I-84 Team is seeking ideas and support concerning the new highway plan, The HPD and HFD are urging our neighbors to help them eliminate crime and fires by saying something if they see something, the City Officials are asking residents to come together at Town Hall Meetings to discuss ways to eliminate the problems in Asylum Hill as well as our city.

These are just a few situations that require our neighborhood's attention now. Thus far, a handful of people have been faithful in helping in our neighborhood wherever and whenever they can and we really appreciate them. We need your help also. You are invited to our next AHNA Meeting on Monday, April 3, 2017 at 6:15pm at the 224 EcoSpace, 224 Farmington Avenue. There you can meet your neighbors and stakeholders from Asylum Hill and hear about the neighborhood's successes and it's issues where community participation is needed. Remember, Teamwork is Dream work!

Have a Happy Month! Spring is here!

Happy Birthday to those born in April!

Blessings,

Yvonne Matthews, Chair