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# Red Cedar Community Association

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Dear Neighbor,

Since our October newsletter, your Red Cedar Community Association Board has been quite busy. We welcome your participation and input if you have any concerns or an interest/expertise in any of our on going projects below.

### Breslin Center Traffic

MSU has been diverting eastbound traffic on Kalamazoo into the neighborhood after Breslin events in order to empty their lot on Harrison & Kalamazoo. We met with the Police Chief who put together traffic/time counts and wrote to MSU requesting this practice stop. He will also direct the PACE staff to routinely patrol the neighborhood 15 – 30 minutes after events begin to ticket illegal parking. If you see illegal parking that isn't ticketed, report it to PACE at 351-4220.

### MSU 20/20 Plan

In updating their comprehensive plan, MSU requested input & comment. Our Board, on behalf of the RCCA, submitted a list of comments & concerns to both MSU & the City since many future actions by MSU will have a major impact on the quality of life in our neighborhood. MSU is meeting regularly with city officials & RCCA will have a representative at those meetings.

### 1100 Trowbridge Road (the vacant lot behind Howard Johnson's motel)

The Board opposed 2 previous proposals for apartments marketed to students. Now, a 3 story hotel plan is before Planning Commission. We given them a list of our concerns & will keep you posted.

### Arbor Drive

We have set up a meeting in February with the Police Chief, Fire Chief & the Director of Public Works, to discuss speeding & safety issue at the Trowbridge/Arbor Drive intersection, as well as an emergency egress plan for the Ivanhoe neighborhood. Also in this area, you may that we initiated the removal of all the dead trees & brush. Now this area needs replanting & we are in touch with MDOT on replacement evergreens.

### Trowbridge Commercial corridor

Again, we met with City staff & will work with them this coming year on creating a comprehensive development plan for the commercial corridor. Several Trowbridge properties are vacant and we want to keep Trowbridge a viable commercial area.

### RCCA Website

Still under construction, but many items are posted. It can be viewed at:

<http://redcedar.bravehost.com/newnews.htm>

A big thank you to Kathy & Fred Jacobs for all their work on this.

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## Highway noise & flood plain maps

We have begun work on ways to address the highway noise, as well as gathering information regarding FEMA's updating of the flood plain maps.

## Neighborhood break-ins

Overnight on Wed, Jan 10th, many unlocked cars on Daisy & Lilac were pilfered. It seems that the only thing stolen was money. If you would like to receive emergency email notices, please email your name & address to me at [russell7@msu.edu](mailto:russell7@msu.edu).

Last but not least, please join us for a neighborhood celebration with neighborhood artists

**The Red Cedar Arts Café**  
**Thursday January 25<sup>th</sup>**  
**6:30 to 8:30 at the RC school**

There will be 30 minutes of featured visual & performing artists, spontaneous time, refreshments & conversation.

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