

Calendar

FEBRUARY

11 Neighborhood Night Out

6pm Harrison Roadhouse

20 RCCA Board Meeting

7pm Arbor Forest Clubhouse

? Spartan Ambassadors Clothing Drive

Various Locations
Details TBA
(check Nextdoor and email for updates)

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Red Cedar Community Association



Join us for the February Neighborhood Night Out at Harrison Roadhouse!

It has been a few months since the Red Cedar Community Association has organized a Neighborhood Night Out event. But the first NNO for 2020 has been planned for February 11th at Harrison Roadhouse, located at the corner of Harrison Road and Michigan Avenue.

WHAT: Neighborhood Night Out

WHEN: Tuesday, Feb. 11th, at 6:00pm

WHERE: Harrison Roadhouse

Another group had already reserved the private (glass) room, but Roadhouse staff will reserve the back portion of the back section for us so that we can all sit together. See you there!



Let It Snow, Let it Snow, Let it Snow!

The heavy wet snowfall we received on January 17th brought the Flowerpot Neighborhood together in a unique way.

Students living at the corner of Narcissus and Lilac engineered an enormous snowman, with neighborhood children adding the finishing touches of a carrot nose and coal eyes. The snowman was measured at 10'10" (without the cone) and estimated to weigh about 2,000 pounds.



The giant snowman even attracted the attention of a local news site, generating hundreds of comments.

If you would like to bring a concern to the attention of the RCCA Board or officially add an item to one of the RCCA's monthly board meetings, email one (or all) of the RCCA Board members. (Email addresses are available on the [official RCCA website](#) and pg. 2 of this RCCA Newsletter.)

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Meet the Spartan Ambassadors

The **Spartan Ambassador Program** strives to foster positive relationships among permanent- and student-residents across the Greater Lansing Region. Through community engagement activities and educational programming our eight undergraduate Spartan Ambassadors build partnerships with community members to make the region a better place to live for everyone! A re-imagining of the Community Relations Coalition (CRC), the Spartan Ambassador Program works with MSU's Community Liaison, Sue Webster. For more information, or to make suggestions to the Spartan Ambassadors, please contact the program's graduate coordinator, **Ben Zimmitti**. zimmitt1@msu.edu

China Gross and Ben Peacock, both MSU seniors and residents in the Flowerpot neighborhood, will be working with the Red Cedar Community Association throughout the 2019-2020 academic year. It is my pleasure to introduce them to the community.

China Gross is a senior studying both English and Social Relations and Policy, with a minor in African American and African Studies. Her passion is to improve the quality of life for minority communities through policy reform. As a SAIP intern, China will be working closely with the RCCA with hopes of helping to bridge the gap between MSU students, the institution, and East Lansing residents.



Ben Peacock is a graduating senior studying comparative cultures and politics. In this position, Ben will be working with the upcoming census activities, the Red Cedar Neighborhood Association, and MSUvote, but he hopes to expand his horizons throughout the duration of the program.

Got a great idea for the Red Cedar Community? Let us know!

In the past, some of the RCCA's best initiatives – neighborhood signs, flowers, thank you gifts – have come not from the board, but from community members. If you have an idea for something that would benefit the community, submit your ideas to any or all of the board members. If your request involves RCCA funds, please contact RCCA board members by the 15th day of the month before funds are needed, in time for RCCA board meeting discussion. Include the purpose, neighborhood benefit, and the amount of funding you are requesting so the board can give your request appropriate consideration.