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## About Us

The Amherstburg Freedom Museum is a curated archive that preserves and shares Amherstburg's stories of the Underground Railroad, and the compassion and solidarity it took to make this network possible.

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## Ribs and Ragtime Recap!

We hosted another fantastic Ribs and Ragtime on Saturday, June 8th and luckily the rain held off long enough for us to have a great event. Guests enjoyed delicious food from MD's Sportsbar and Smokehouse and amazing entertainment from Josh Johnson and Dalton Catton. Thank you to everyone who came out to support the Museum including MP Irek Kusmierczyk, Mayor Michael Prue and Deputy Mayor Chris Gibb. We are also extremely grateful to our generous sponsors James H. Sutton Funeral Home and Detroit Memorial Park Association.

Additional thanks to everyone who generously donated to our auction including Barb Porter, Cari-Lynn Ristic, Yolanda Holder, Marlene Crepp, Ruth Bridgen, Donald Armbrust, Helen Geddes, Jodi Booth, Bev Bridgen of James H. Sutton Funeral Home, Harold Goldin, Niagara Bound Tours, Gilligan's Fire Grill Amherstburg, Mary-Katherine Whelan, and Dr. Lorene Bridgen-Lennie.

Additional thanks to our fundraising committee and we couldn't have done this event without our amazing volunteers. Thank you everyone!



## The Talking Drum

The Talking Drum is published monthly by the Amherstburg Freedom Museum. Contributions, story ideas, suggestions and feedback are always welcome. Please contact Mary-Katherine Whelan at [curator@amherstburgfreedom.org](mailto:curator@amherstburgfreedom.org)

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Thank you to Ontario NDP leader Marit Stiles and MPP Lisa Gretzky for visiting the Museum on June 20th. Staff along with Amherstburg Freedom Museum Vice President Barbara Porter were happy to give them and their team a tour of the Nazrey AME Church (a terminus of the Underground Railroad), the Taylor Cabin, and our newest exhibit about the Hour-A-Day Study Club. It was a great visit!



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