

JAKU NEWS BULLETIN



August 2018 – Jaku Konbit: Building Our Community Together

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WORD FROM THE 'PREZ'

What a hot, busy summer in Ottawa! Did you catch Jaku in your neighbourhood? Here are a few pics of Jaku staff and volunteers out in July with our yellow tees supporting our peer agencies. We were at SomFest held at City Hall and hosted by the Somali Centre For Family Services. In this pic, we are posing with the Mayor of Ottawa.



We were also at Afro-Caribbean Day at the Beechwood Farmer's Market. It was great to support the owners of Bacchanalle and Caribbean Fit Fête on such a beautiful afternoon.



Also, you might have seen us at the Kites 4 Cancer Family Fun Day Picnic out at Petrie Island. Funds raised went to support the Ottawa Hospital Cancer Society.



Look for us in your neighbourhood this summer!!

SUMMER CAMP ROUND UP



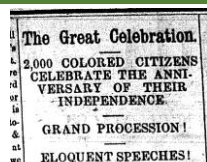
We round up five weeks of Summer Camp that was full of activities from learning about historical Black male and female leaders, great African civilizations, Black inventors and celebrating Emancipation Day. We cooked with Resa Solomon-Lewis and talked curly hair with Paula Whitelocke. Peter Nesbeth soccerred up with us and Victoria Wellington helped us remember Tatou Madiba. Another successful 'Greatness is Within Me' Camp!

EYOW HELPS AT SUMMER CAMP



Enhanced Youth Outreach Worker [EYOW] Jamila Ahmed has been helpful to Summer Camp as well. Jamila was able to support the Summer Camp Manager, Esther Nabatanzi, by steering the youth counsellors and giving them direction as to how to handle new or challenging situations. 'Life' came up at Camp and Jamila became a reliable source of guidance for both campers and counsellors alike.

DID'YA KNOW....?



Since 2008, Ontario has officially celebrated Emancipation Day on **August 1**. The city of Owen Sound [pop. 22,000] holds the largest annual celebration.

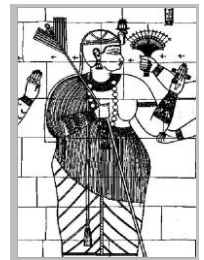
MARIE AND HER TIPS

The Let's Chat Seniors Group held their latest event at the Bronson Centre with Marie Johnson leading the way. She shared tips on gardening and how to maintain and preserve beauty and vitality in the soil for vegetables and flowers. Marie is intimately knowledgeable about plants and soil and climate. Part 1 of the workshop had a decent turnout. Thanks for the yummy food and good company!



AFRICAN HISTORY – WHAT'S NEW

We are really glad that Jaku is offering this history class on Saturday mornings. It's clear by class attendance that there is a thirst for historic African knowledge in the community. Clyde Ledbetter is doing superbly at educating us in what we never learned in school, but what we clearly have always wanted to know.



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