
THE SELTZER-CHAN POND INLET FOUNDATION: 2009



SEWING PROJECT

Members of the Nattinnak Cultural Performers group will be wearing new traditional garments in 2010. A grant from the foundation is being used to purchase material and hire local women to make three women's amautis and three men's parkas to display at the Visitors' Centre and be worn during performances at the centre.



Drawing of an amauti by Pond Inlet artist Shelly Elverum. Proceeds from selling cards featuring five different images by Shelly support the foundation's activities. Contact Dorene Seltzer to purchase a set of cards.

IN MEMORIAL

Isaac Kalluk, a much-loved and respected father and grandfather, passed away in Resolute in April, 2009 at the age of 56. The foundation contributed to a fund so that family members could attend his funeral. Isaac's grandfather was one of the original Pond Inlet residents and then his family became "High Arctic Exiles" who were moved to Resolute Bay in the mid-1950s by the Canadian government.

SOCCKER SUPPORT

Oral history describes a soccer-like game played near Pond Inlet — over a distance of some 35 miles! The teams consisted of people born in either the fall or winter (the

Ptarmigans) and those who were born in either the spring or summer (the old Squaw.)

Today, playing the modern version of soccer in Pond Inlet provides an opportunity for young people to get healthy exercise, improve confidence, promote friendship and develop team spirit. Two teams play regularly and travel to represent Pond Inlet at tournaments. A grant from the foundation was used to purchase uniforms and equipment for the teams.



The Pond Inlet Soccer Team shows off their new uniforms. We hope the uniforms bring them luck at their next game! Photo: Grigor Hope.

FIDDLE WORKSHOP

With help from the foundation, this year's popular fiddle workshop was expanded to include adults as well as children.

Photo of Junice Aksarjuk by Julia Landry.



The Inukshuk on our masthead overlooks Eclipse Sound at the base of Mount Herodier, Baffin Island. It is a memorial to Mark and Marilyn and was built with Pond Inlet community members.

THE 2009 GRANTS

The Seltzer-Chan Pond Inlet Foundation is proud to announce that a total of \$17,700 was distributed to the following organizations and students in 2009:

- Nasavvik High School
- Nasavvik Music Club
- Pond Inlet Soccer Club
- Nattinnak Cultural Performers
- Family of Isaac Kalluk
- Gisa Inuarak

YOUR DONATION COUNTS

100% of every donation to The Seltzer-Chan Pond Inlet Foundation goes directly to grant recipients. Tax receipts are issued for Canadian donations.

HIGH SCHOOL AWARDS

Twenty-one high students received awards for outstanding academics and citizenship at the year-end ceremony in June 2009. Grade nine students received prizes of bicycles or iPods while students in higher grades received gift certificates.

BACK TO SCHOOL



Gisa Inuarak's new computer from the foundation will help her keep up with her homework at Arctic College.

Photo: Philippa Ootoowak

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Grade nine students receiving bicycles in recognition of their effort and achievement.

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