
THE SELTZER-CHAN POND INLET FOUNDATION 2019



IF YOU BUILD IT, THEY WILL COME

Realizing that some community elders were lonely and missed being out on the land, Apphia Killiktee arranged to build a cabin near Jane's Creek, outside Pond Inlet. In September, a group of elders spent what we hope will be the first of many weekends in this beautiful setting where they picked blueberries, cooked, sewed and socialized.



This cabin will be used as a gathering place for elders

HIGH SCHOOL AWARDS

At the 2019 Nasivvik High School year-end ceremony 20 students received prizes from the foundation. This year 18 people graduated from the high school; three received foundation grants towards their post-secondary education at Arctic College and the University of British Columbia.



Graduates at the Nasivvik High School year-end ceremony

THE TRIP OF A LIFETIME



Jillian Kyak with her host family in Huilloc Alta, a community of 950 people at 4000 meters in Peru

In April 2019 Pond Inlet resident Jillian Kyak travelled to Peru with 35 other Nunavut Sivuniksavut students. The students showcased Inuit culture in performances and learned about the rich culture of the mountainous Quechua communities they visited. The students shared the process that led to the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement in 1993 and the establishment of Nunavut in 1999. This experience is of particular interest to indigenous Peruvians who still struggle to have their rights recognized.



Nunavut Sivuniksavut students performing in Misminay, Peru

The Inuksuk on our masthead overlooks Eclipse Sound at the base of Mount Herodier, Baffin Island. Pond Inlet community members built this memorial to Mark and Marilyn.

THE 2019 GRANTS

The Seltzer-Chan Pond Inlet Foundation is proud to report that a total of \$34,600 was distributed to the following organizations and individuals in 2019. Thanks to your generous donations, the foundation has awarded more than \$490,000 since 1999.

- Assistance to students attending college
- Cabin construction materials
- Music for the Future – three workshops
- Mittima Food Bank
- Nasivvik High School student awards
- Nunavut Sivuniksavut Program
- Supplies and travel expenses for sports teams: Badminton, Basketball, Table Tennis, Volleyball

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2019 Pond Inlet Committee:

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Directors: Dorene Seltzer, Gareth Seltzer, Phillip King, Rosemary Waterston



MITTIMA FOOD BANK

A special grant from the Bloor Street United Church in Toronto helped the Mittima Food Bank deliver food to 70-100 Pond Inlet families every two weeks.



MUSIC FOR THE FUTURE

Music teachers visited Pond Inlet three times in 2019. This remarkable program provided nearly 50 days of direct music training in six Nunavut communities for youth in grades 4-12 this year. The foundation has supported 21 fiddle workshops in Pond Inlet since the program started in 2009. This growing program added a winter workshop in 2019 to provide more opportunities for budding musicians to learn and practice.



Fiddle workshop session led by Ameena Bajer-Koulack during the first-ever Winter Fiddle Workshop, held in February 2019

100% of your donation goes directly to grant recipients.

The Foundation is volunteer-operated; all administrative costs are covered by board members.