
THE SELTZER-CHAN POND INLET FOUNDATION 2021



MUSIC FOR THE FUTURE

Covid-19 related restrictions prevented Tusarnaarniq Sivumut Association (Music for the Future) from providing in-person music workshops in Pond Inlet in 2021. So, instead of sending musicians to the North, the organization sent fiddles. Determined not to allow the pandemic to prevent Inuit youth from learning through music, Music for the Future sent two Stentor student violins and two Menzel violins to the Nasivvik High School in Pond Inlet this fall.



One of the violins sent to Pond Inlet in 2021

The group is also organizing remote music lessons for youth at the high school through **Connected North**, a program that provides students in remote Indigenous communities with immersive and interactive educational opportunities via high definition, two-way video technology.

An after-school Music Club at the high school is being planned so students in Pond Inlet can continue to connect with each other through music. We hope that in-person workshops will also be part of Pond Inlet's musical future in 2022.

IN-PERSON SCHOOL

Students and staff were glad to resume in-person classes this year. The need to wear masks didn't deter the happy celebration of the end-of-school awards ceremony in May. Nineteen iPads purchased with foundation funds were distributed to deserving students from Grade 7 up.



Nasivvik High School Graduating class, 2021

IN-PERSON SPORTS

Covid restrictions still prevent travel to other communities for tournaments so local sports are very important for maintaining physical and mental health. The foundation sponsors volleyball mini-league games twice a week with prizes adding to the fun of local playoffs.



Some of the volleyball league participants

THE 2021 GRANTS

The Seltzer-Chan Pond Inlet Foundation is proud to report that a total of \$29,133 was distributed to the following organizations and individuals in 2021. The foundation has awarded \$570,000 since we began supporting the people of Pond Inlet in 1999.

- Nairainnuk Day Care
- Women's Hockey and Volleyball Leagues
- Music for the Future / Tusarnaarniq Sivumut
- Mittima Food Bank
- Nasivvik High School student awards
- Individuals for education and trips onto the land

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Canadian donations will receive tax receipts.

2021 Pond Inlet Committee:

Brady Fischer (SCPIF local co-ordinator),
Karen Nutarak, David Parks and Trudy Pettigrew

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

Congratulations to Foundation committee member **Karen Nutarak** who was elected to the Legislative Assembly of Nunavut in the 2021 Nunavut general election. She represents the electoral district of Tununiq. Karen has been a valuable member of the foundation committee since 2012.

Congratulations also to our wonderful local committee coordinator, **Brady Fischer**, and his wife Alicia who are expecting their first baby any day now. They will travel to Iqaluit for the birth. Brady is a teacher at Nasivvik High School and Alicia works at the Pond Inlet Health Centre.

DAY CARE FURNITURE

The Naurainnuk Day Care acquired the space to accommodate ten infants but needed safe sleeping, diapering and feeding facilities. The Seltzer Chan Pond Inlet Foundation provided the funds to buy this furniture, helping the day care to meet the requirements of the Government of Nunavut and ensure a safe and healthy space for the children.



High chairs, changing tables and cribs purchased with funds from the Seltzer-Chan Pond Inlet Foundation

100% of donations received go directly to grant recipients.

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