

From left, Willie Hensley, chairman of the board for UBA stands with Gene Erskine, president; Larry McDowell, branch manager for the Yukon Kuskokwim Delta branch, and Dan Nanalook, Jr., assistant manager for the UBA-Bethel.

UBA opens bank branch in Bethel

The United Bank Alaska opened its first branch bank March 27

The Yukon-Kuskokwim Delta branch of the UBA in Bethel is located in the Bethel Native Corporation's offices. Perry Eaton, vice-president of UBA in Anchorage said UBA was one of the first tenants to lease space

in the BNC's offices.

Eaton said the bank had customers from the region even before putting the bank in Bethel.

"We located the bank in Bethel because it is centrally located in the 54 villages in the service community," Eaton said. "We see Bethel as one of the really bright places in the social and economic development of the state. It's a place where the old meets with the new. It is an exciting place."

The manager for the UBA-Bethel is Larry McDowell, a Bethel resident. The Assistant manager is Dan Nanalook, Jr. of Togiak.