

ANMC celebrates 30th anniversary

The Alaska Native Medical Center celebrated 30 years of service in Alaska with an anniversary potlatch and small ceremonies on Dec. 16. ANMC started out as a tuberculosis facility 30 years ago but has broadened to fill needs and as the TB epidemic subsided among the Native peoples.

The anniversary planners gathered many of the original staff and first patients of the hospital and presented awards to people who had stayed with the institution for the 30 years.

Tess Watson, left, and Joy Cutshall with the ulu awards they received for still working at the hospital after starting out in 1953 when it first opened.



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