

Lynn Community Health Center enters 40th year of service to the community



LCHC Board President Marilyn Smith, with honorees Patricia Barton, James Cowdell, and Zhanna Bronshvayg.

The Lynn Community Health Center celebrated its 39th Annual Meeting on Wednesday, October 20. This annual event is an opportunity for the Health Center to highlight its achievements of the past year, to recognize board and staff who have achieved milestone anniversaries, and to honor members of the Lynn Community. The Health Center's 39th year saw many achievements, most notably the beginning of construction on a new 2-story facility that will significantly expand medical, behavioral health, and dental services to the community.

The John S. Moran Award for Community Service was presented to the Barton Family in honor and memory of Virginia Barton. LCHC Board Members Marchia Rhodes and Edmund Carleton Brown presented the award to her family. They spoke about her many contributions

to the Lynn Community, and her gentle, loving spirit that extended to everyone.

Two other community awards were presented. James Cowdell, Executive Director of the Lynn EDIC received the Public Health Award for his strong support of the LCHC expansion project, currently underway. Zhanna Bronshvayg, RN, was given a special staff award for her work with refugees and immigrants in Lynn.

Mary Hellstrom, department secretary for the Ob/Gyn Department was recognized for 30 years of service. Kim MacLeod, Chief Financial Officer, and Say-samone Thiphavong, Nutrition Assistant for WIC, were recognized for 25 years of service. 44 other employees were recognized for their 5, 10, 15, and 20 years at LCHC.