

# Cowper appoints Athanas to State Council on the Arts

Earlier this week, Gov. Steve Cowper announced the appointment of Reyne Athanas of Bethel to a three-year term on the Alaska State Council on the Arts.

Athanas replaces Renee Patten, also of Bethel, who resigned from the council as a result of her relocation to Fairbanks this summer.

Athanas, who has lived in Bethel since 1973, received a bachelor's degree in art education from Southern Oregon College and a master's in ceramics from the University of Puget Sound in Tacoma, Wash. She has taught art in grades kindergarten through 12 while working for the Lower Kuskowkim School District and has also been an art instructor for Kuskokwim Community College.

The council's next meeting is in Fairbanks Nov. 16-17.