

Here's the note Anthony Maisel sent to his staff at KTEN-TV:

I have always said there is a beginning a middle and an end. I have spent the past four great years at KTEN as General Manager and every year was a better year than the year before. Today I had a staff meeting to tell my KTEN team that this is the end. It was difficult but I believe as a team we made it better. Our news talent has moved on to bigger and better careers. It was difficult to leave Jacksonville when I said goodbye it was difficult for me and my staff at KDAF in Dallas. I have made so many friends over the years. I have always hired people better than me and let them do their jobs. I will miss my rants with Paul Rossi. I will miss everyone on staff. So this is the end and now it's a new beginning. I will be moving with Lockwood Broadcasting to a new beginning and that will be as News Director for KAKE TV in Wichita, Kansas. You ask why would you give up a GMs job for a News Directors job? Robin and I have family all over the country a result of moving so many times it is hard to be near them. Now we can in Kansas. My children have had no fear and all have gone on to do great things and I'm so proud of all of them. KAKE is a great station with a proud history. I want to help restore it to it's former greatness. I'm am looking forward to the challenge. I always believed I would be a good GM. I believe I did that thanks to a wonderful staff. Our decision was based on family in Wichita and the opportunity to be a part of the greatness at KAKE. Lockwood's confidence in me is what motivated me to take on this challenge and this opportunity. Family played a major role in our decision. It's always been me and Robin 30 years together my friend and the love of my life. Thank you to my KTEN family all of you I will miss you very much. There is always change. I look forward to begin the the task of making KAKE great again with the help of a very good team. So there is always a beginning a middle and an end. This is the last chapter and the first chapter of a new adventure.

And this note from departing KAKE-TV news director Michael Sipes to the staff there:

This will come as a surprise to many of you, but today is my last day. Neal and I have talked about this as I have been looking at new opportunities. Now is a good time to make those happen and Neal understands. We have done a lot in my short time here including bringing back the "ON YOUR SIDE" brand. It was because of you and your efforts, that has started to have an impact in the market. I wish I could speak to each of you, but today is a good day as I will be taking off the next two days to make a short road trip. You have a solid plan for the May Sweeps already worked out. The new Internet site and mobile apps are well on their way to getting launched in June. I wish you all luck in your careers. You have a terrific leaders in Neal and the Lockwood Broadcasting Group. I expect to continue to see great things come of your hard work.

Please stay in touch,

Michael Sipes
KAKE News Director