Sad goodbys, fond hellos

The Tundra Times said good-bye to some old and new friends this past week. Sophie Gutierrez, a bookkeeper-accountant at the paper for several months, has moved to Chevak with her husband Gil who has hired as the School Superintendent there. Sophie's level-headed calmness and warm smile will be missed by all who knew her.

Louise Donhauser, who by-line you may have noticed on the pages of this newspaper for the past three months returned to the University of Alaska, Fairbanks last week. Louise was a summer intern with the paper and we know she will go far in this business.

Paul Ubl, a photographer and the most recent employee at the paper, has decided to return to school in California.

Replacing Sophie is Ruthie Blatchford who had been the paper's ever-friendly and very patient receptionist. Paul is being replaced by Bill Hess, a photographer-reporter from Arizona who worked on the White Mountain Apache newspaper as editor and has recently done free-lance work for Nations, the national magazine for the Indian Nations, and in the National Geographic.

We will miss those who have gone. We welcome those who have joined us.