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President's Message

"It was the best of times and it was the worst of times, it was the age of wisdom, it was the age of foolishness". Dickens seems to summarize the range of feeling, knowledge and support for our libraries.

Your SLTA has one function which is primary and supersedes all else that we do. That function is advocacy. To tell our story and build the image of libraries in Saskatchewan.

Most of the targets your executive has set over the last two years have been designed to satisfy this goal.

Our website is one example. The site gives us wide public exposure, and we have attempted to use it as generously as possible. Our Executive Director keeps our site current and tries to make it a part of training, and promotion.

The yearly Minister's Brief has concentrated on pointing out the great potential libraries have for moving Saskatchewan ahead. At the same time, the brief constantly reminds our legislators that the present funding makes quality library service unsustainable.

The executive members have committed themselves to taking every opportunity to lobby members of the legislative assembly reminding them that operational funding has to increase.

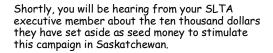
At the Provincial Library Conference the SLTA sponsored two very well attended sessions which were very positively reviewed. These sessions exemplify our focus for programs. Leslie

Fall 2013

Anderson spoke on public relations and promotion. Her appearance was courtesy of the Saskatchewan School Trustee's Association. Dr. Alec Couros spoke on technology and the new things it brings and how programs could incorporate technology in a meaningful way.

Public Relations and information campaigns can be very expensive and beyond the budget of the SLTA.

However, with parsimony and careful control over expenditures your executive has been able to save enough money to seed a provincial promotion of libraries campaign.



We have the story to tell, we have new services, new programs, new initiatives that the public is not aware of or using.

I invite everyone who supports libraries to take this opportunity to use creativity and energy to help us tell people that for libraries, "This is the best of times".



President Gerald Kleisinger, RPL

Former Long-Serving SLTA President Isabelle Butters Honoured

SLTA is pleased to announce that former long-serving SLTA President, Isabelle Butters, was honoured in Weyburn recently as one of the three newest inductees to the city's Walk of Fame. Isabelle is a long-time library advocate and has been one of Saskatchewan's great library leaders of the past few decades. She was inducted under the category of "Humanitarian" in recognition of her extensive work in various parts of the community over many, many years. Isabelle is an SLTA lifetime member



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Library Success Stories

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Regional Library reported ways the library has enriched their lives, both through our traditional, basic service of loaning books and other library materials and also in ways beyond providing them with resources for education and recreation. These stories have been collected from patrons responding to the zero percent increase in funding for library operations budgets.

We have had testimonials about the work of individual staff members who have made a difference in their communities through children's programs - frequently on their own time as volunteers. Efforts such as these in many of our remote, rural communities have contributed greatly to early literacy. Our Herbert librarian Evelyn Nickel revived contact with the local school and has formed a thriving partnership with the school, as well as helping children maintain reading skills over the summer through recruiting children for the summer reading club (not just from Herbert, but also from other nearby communities) and providing weekly summer program and has her local board members volunteering throughout the summer to help make this program a success. She encourages everyone in Herbert to use their library and is always open to new ideas.

In our Lafleche branch, librarian Gloria McIvor, received a literacy grant from her local community which she put to use for her annual Summer Reading Club reading tent (used all summer by kids as a reading retreat). Each child using the tent is entered in a draw to win the tent. She also purchased age-appropriate books for each child in the community as a gift from the Lafleche branch.

The Swift Current branch provides regular computer classes, including one on one instruction, for people learning to use computers and other devices. Staff members have reported many cases of new immigrants using the library and their appreciation at discovering they can use library computers to keep in touch with distant family members. A new Baby Steps program, designed to help develop early literacy skills, is so popular that when it stopped running for a break of a few weeks, parents brought their children in and did the rhymes and actions learned in the sessions with their children themselves in the story area. Our children's programmer prepares programs that focus on early literacy and other school readiness skills.

At least one person has used the library to help her launch a literary career. She joined a writer's group that meets at the library and was able to use the library to give readings of her work. As she wrote in her testimonial on the value of the library in her life, "I have since had stories published in literary journals and broadcast on CBC radio. She received a grant from the Saskatchewan Arts Board giving her funding to support her writing and her first book of short stories will be published next year.

Chinook

Denis Perrault was elected Board Chair at the Spring Meetina.

Staff have been working on a large weeding project in Hodgeville, Maple Creek, Shaunavon, Gravelbourg, Gull Lake and Herbert, with smaller amounts of weeding needed in Leader, Cabri and Eastend. In addition to removing many dated and worn books from these branches, this has also allowed the region to refresh collections by exchanging material between branches in popular areas, especially children's picture books, large print and Christian fiction. The intention is to revive the collections. The region is also planning to start locating small collections of new material in some of the larger rural branches, which will stay for several months and then be recalled and placed in another location as a way of allowing material to circulate in a community before it is more generally available. Overall, more material rotating through the branches than is happening through requests is needed. The weeding project has provided a great deal of useful information from the branches, Large scale weeding of the Swift Current collection will start soon, and the branch will benefit from both weeding and a refreshed collection.

Georgina and Heather are planning a fall branch tour to build a closer relationship with rural branch staff and greater familiarity with local conditions and issues in the branches. Lafleche branch received a literacy grant from the TD Bank which was used in the summer reading program, as well as to provide a book to each child in the community.

Swift Current branch is participating in a Provincial program, Storybird Cyber Camp, which allows children to write their own stories online through a digital publishing program. These stories can be illustrated with original art work available through the website and published as a book. The books created by children can be printed and added to the library collection. The program is designed to increase both school related and digital literacy skills.

Storyteller Danica Lorer was hired as the summer reading club performer and is wrapping up her tour of Chinook branches this week. Seventeen branches participated in the SRC this year.

Branches have collected and submitted success stories for SLTA - this is on-going because of the valuable information it provides on the contributions the branches make to the lives of their communities.

David Wiebe has been travelling throughout the region getting the branches ready for Sierra as well as seeing what changes he may be able to make to help with their technical needs.

Lakeland

Vacations, activities, family visits -Lakeland has been off and running for the last months.

In July branches hosted 80 programming events with 979 in attendance and not everyone has reported in yet. The special feature again this summer was the Lakeland Summer Players who performed at 17 branches to 300 students and 120 adults.

During July many branches recorded the highest circulation totals of the year families making good use of libraries for summer reading and entertainment.

There are lots of new programs, eservices and special events being planned for the next few months and into winter.

There is always something going on at Lakeland Library Region because of the hard work of branch and headquarters staff.

Parkland

Parkland Regional Library system created: Family Program Lego kits, TD summer Reading kits and links to the TD summer reading material, Family Program Lego Kit - https://www.facebook.com/pages/Parkland-Regional-Library/1831005351063462sk=w.

The library system has purchased new online resources - Mango Languages (EAL / ESL) learn English and other languages, Zinio - 50 Online Magazines, Consumer Reports and Ancestry.com.



The Literacy Coordinator facilitated and mentored with two board members in Langenburg to run a Mother Goose on the Loose program in Langenburg.

The goal was that after five sessions community members would feel comfortable enough to run the program on their own. The board members did continue to run the program and are planning to run a new session in the fall.

The Literacy Coordinator made five presentations promoting library resources and family literacy resources. The Literacy Coordinator has consulted with Yorkton Tribal Council, Yorkton Newcomer Welcome Centre, and Cote First Nation SaskSmart Grant recipients.

The Cote Literacy project staff started a Take A Book Leave a Book program with books donated by Parkland Regional Library. Volume 5, Issue 3 Page 3

PNLS

PNLS hosted a successful summer reading program tour during July. "Prairie Dog" Doug Campbell entertained children and adults. Julie Arie from Provincial Library accompanied Harriet Roy and Doug on a tour of PNLS libraries.

PNLS sent the Minister, DM, ADM, and MLAs information on the needs of libraries, including a business plan.



Member library staff were brought in for a one-day session on Sierra on June 5th. PNLS has a comprehensive go-live plan in place.

PNLS is having a challenge keeping staff because staff cannot find child care. Northern Lights School Division #113 has recognized this and have included a daycare centre for its students in the newly renovated Churchill High School.

Harriet Roy and Edna Mirasty from Senator Myles Venne School Public Library attended the 8th International Indigenous Librarians' Forum in Bellingham, Washington. They were part of a presentation sponsored by the Library Services to Saskatchewan Aboriginal Peoples Inc. called "Working Together to Enhance Library Services for Aboriginal Peoples in Saskatchewan". In two years, the IILF will be coming back to Canada and held in Winnipea.



Library Success Stories

The Imperial Branch is providing resource materials for learning English as a second language for a group of New Canadians in town. In recent years a local manufacturer, Rite-Way, has brought in a number of workers from abroad, notably from Ukraine. A retired teacher living in Imperial, Kay Busche, made friends with the new arrivals and eventually started to give them informal English instruction on a voluntary basic

Kay recently retired from the Carlton Trail Regional College, where she taught adults how to adapt to new language systems for computers. And she herself learned English as her second language when she was already an adult.

Given her standards as a teacher, she of course wanted to supplement her knowledge with lesson plans and materials at the appropriate levels. But since she's retired and her group members are struggling to establish themselves in a new country, buying expensive texts is not an option. Kay therefore turned to the Imperial Branch of Palliser Regional Library as a source for materials and as the gateway to the entire system of public libraries in the province. We're now discussing the best way to serve her adult students by identifying magazines and book titles that would have relevant content for them and match their level of proficiency in English as it increases over time.

This is just one of the ways in which the Regional Library system helps the government to achieve its stated objectives for Saskatchewan society.



Regina Public Library

Gol is what happened this summer when several local organizations and businesses joined RPL on City Square Plaza. Program participants and passersby got a closer look at all kinds of vehicles that go. Children were given the opportunity to sign up for the TD Summer Reading Club.

A pilot project was set out this summer for selected RPL branches to be open extended Sunday hours (noon to 5:00 p.m.). During the months of July and August Central Library, Albert Branch, George Bothwell Branch, Glen Elm Branch, Sherwood Village Branch were open.

A similar study of extended Sunday hours will take place during the Fall and Winter months.

On June 14, RPL launched its Summer Escapes reading contests for Teens and

Adults, and the TD Summer Reading Club for children. It runs until August 31, with prize draws taking place throughout the summer and a Grand Prize Draw on September 13.

Summer Reading Program prizes are proudly sponsored by Chapters, the Cornwall Centre and London Drugs.

Sierra is the newest Integrated Library System from Innovative Interfaces, and for RPL, it will replace Millennium. The system was first announced at the Innovative Users Group Conference April 2011, and the first libraries went live shortly thereafter. Due to the size and complexity of the SILS system, RPL waited to ensure Sierra could handle the Library's needs. On September 3, 2013, RPL will launch Sierra SILS-wide.

The Dunlop Art Gallery's annual Living Pictures Competition brought out the

music lover with this year's theme: Album Covers. On Tuesday, August 20, participants were invited to re-create their favourite album cover as a posed picture 'tableau' in Regina's Victoria Park.

Individuals or groups entered to win prizes in one of several categories, judged by experts as well as the public. All entries were required to have at least one person posed within them. Over \$1,200 in prizes were awarded!

From mid-July through August 31, patrons were invited to contribute to the future of RPL by taking an open online survey. RPL is looking for feedback on programs and services provided to patrons. The survey also gives patrons the opportunity to articulate what they want to see at the Library. This information will be instrumental in any of forthcoming plans.

Saskatoon Public Library

Chris Shauf was appointed Chair and Susan Matieshin was appointed Vice Chair of the Saskatoon Public Library Board for 2013. Becky Block and Candice Grant have also joined SPL.

As part of centennial celebrations Saskatonians have been asked to share how SPL has been a part of their life by filling out a "Dear Library" card.

SPL: 100 Years in Pictures display was in the Library Gallery from April 24 to June 20.

A 100 Favourite Places to Read campaign was held during July and August. SPL's website has an updated map of unique places to read around the city.

On May 25 a Centennial Open House was held at all public library locations. Staff had a great time celebrating with patrons.

SPL kicked off the Saskatoon Exhibition in style on August 3 at the Exhibition parade. Approximately 100 volunteers walked with PJ on behalf of the library celebrating 100 years.

The 3rd annual The Word on the Street Saskatoon will be held September 22, 2013 in the Civic Square and Frances Morrison Library.

The Friends of the Library's annual fundraiser Dance Party at the Hat will be held September 28, 2013.

SPL welcomes their next Writer-in-Residence Rosemary Nixon who begins her term in September. Rosemary is an award-winning, Saskatchewan-born short story writer, novelist and free-lance editor. Her published works include Mostly Country, The Cock's Egg and Kalila. Her fourth title, Are You Ready To Be Lucky?, will be released early fall.

The Board approved an honorarium of \$200 to artists who are not selling their work on display in the Frances Morrison Library Gallery, effective January 1, 2014.

SPL's logo won an international Brand New award for logo design and the six-month re-branding campaign "Collections-Connections" won second place at the IFLA 11th Annual International Marketing Awards.



Contributions are welcome.

Please send suggestions for articles, photos, and stories to njk@sasktel.net. Page 4 The Trustee



Library Success Stories

Davidson Library currently has an iPad that Palliser purchased through the New Horizons for Seniors grant. It is at Davidson Library because I am continuing to teach ereader/library2go/iPad sessions in various locations.

In March, a young man in his early 20s moved to town from Ontario. He has great difficulty with reading and writing, but was trying to keep in touch with his family through Facebook. At the time, he did not have a phone and the library was his only resource. He asked for help, both in reading messages from his friends and family, and in typing replies to them. I was happy to help him, but it was awkward, as these were personal messages, and he was homesick. Having to do this at a public workstation, with several patrons on the nearby computers and other people coming in and out meant that he basically had little privacy.

I thought that there HAD to be a better way to do this, and I wondered if it was possible to use the iPad as a solution. It turns out that there is a function on the iPad's keyboard that allows dictation - speech to text. There is also a feature that allows highlighted text to be spoken. Thus, this young man could do most of his communication through speech. It is not perfect and it does not always pick up the speech correctly, but he can recognize when it doesn't and we can help him to correct the mistakes. He can take the iPad into a room for privacy, asking for help when needed. This has provided him with the dignity that everyone deserves.

The library has also been able to connect him with a volunteer literacy tutor, and they meet several times a week. This is an important service, as the local regional college closed one year ago and there is no other resource for literacy tutoring in our community.

I thought this was a cool success story and that it should be shared and celebrated. Libraries definitely matter!

September Brooke Davidson Branch



Southeast

This spring and summer, the Southeast Regional Library Director personally visited every one of the branches in the region and visited with the local branch staff. Two questions were asked—one concerned the best thing going on at the branch and the other concerned the biggest challenge for the branch. The results of the informal survey

were quite interesting.

Best thing going on at the branch:

47% branch programming 13% local library board support

Biggest challenge for the branch:

34% attracting people to the library 18% branch is in an inadequate facility

The remainder of the responses did not group with each other so they are not reported.

Though this is a snapshot of one group's perspective, it is interesting that that collections, circulation, catalogue, etc. barely got mentioned.

Wapiti

Wapiti Regional Library has hired a Community Services Librarian - Connor Echlin from Caledon Ontario. The Community Services position will be assessing Regional needs in Literacy, services to new corners, Metis and First Nations communities, and Ministry of Education goals.

The Assistant Regional Director position is being advertised beginning in September.

Regional Director John Murray invited all the MLA's in the region to meet with the Wapiti Executive Committee. The reaction was very good. Wapiti received an invitation to meet with the Human Services Policy Caucus for the Ministries of Education, Advanced Education, and Social Services. John and Maureen McGirr attended on behalf of Wapiti.

Wapiti also met with three MLA's at the Wapiti Regional headquarters building and plan to address several more MLA's. Wapiti indicated interest in assisting the Ministry of Education and government to attain their goals.

Wheatland

Wheatland Regional Library has had an action-packed summer.

To celebrate National Aboriginal Day the staff spent the morning enjoying the festivities at Wanuskewin Heritage Park. In July, Wheatland partnered with Provincial Library, Wapiti Regional Library, Saskatoon Public Library and Regina Public Library to host a public library table at "Back to Batoche Days." The event went well and generated a lot of interest

Although final numbers are not yet in, our Summer Reading Program was a success, with higher than normal enrolment numbers. Langham story-teller Danica Lorer performed in 12 branches, and was well attended overall. For the first time ever, Wheatland offered an 'all-ages' summer reading challenge, which featured a bingo style game with an e-reader as the grand prize.

Wheatland has purchased the Zinio database and on-line subscriptions to 38 magazines. The database is proving to be quite popular and initial usage has been good.

Discussions are continuing regarding the Warman joint-use facility. An agreement is being worked on between Wheatland, City of Warman and the Prairie Spirit School Division. The new library facility is scheduled to open this fall.

Wheatland has been working on a complete inventory of the branches. To date, 11 branches have been completed.

The Governance Committee has completed drafts on 18 new or revised policies and one bylaw. These will be brought forward for approval at the Fall Meeting.

Be sure to check out Wheatland's new Facebook page!

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Provincial Library

2013 Summer Literacy Camps continue to provide opportunities for children, youth, families and communities in Saskatchewan. In order to demonstrate the positive benefits of the Camps an assessment/evaluation process for the 2013 camps is currently being developed.

Synergies between the Summer Literacy camps and libraries continue to advance the achievement of mutually beneficial outcomes. Numerous Summer Literacy camps are co-located in public/school libraries across the province.

Preliminary reviews of applications for the Saskatchewan Community Literacy Fund (SCLF) indicate community partnerships with local libraries are being developed by SCLF applicants, including promotion of reading programs through local library patron card registration.

PLLO is developing a coordinated provincial strategy and evaluation around the activities and outcomes of the Summer Reading program, in cooperation with public libraries. This includes: providing a Summer Reading Program grant of \$5K to each

library system to enhance the 2013 programming in July and August; a digital programming pilot using Storybird (a digital storytelling tool that allows children to create their own stories) with Chinook Regional Library, Parkland Regional Library, and Southeast Regional Library; and developing an evaluation framework for measurement of Summer Reading program impact in Saskatchewan to be implemented 2014.

The SLTA appreciates and encourages individual membership in the Association A form is located on page six of this newsletter.

Please clip it out and encourage local board members. municipal leaders, and library supporters to become members today!

> Library Success **Stories**

In the spirit of Davidson's story, Rockglen Library has

experience. We were able to access WIFI, in

Lotteries Community Grant. One of our patrons was then able to bring her 90 year

old mother to the

library and use Skype. Our patron's daughter

and grandchildren live in Thailand, and with

to visit for 40 minutes

with their children far away from Rockglen. The great grandmother was so thrilled to see

through the screen. I

wonderful experience

provided more than

and realized the library

was honored to be a

the help of our wifi both women were able

her great grandchildren she actually tried to "pinch" their cheeks

our library, with funding provided by our Saskatchewan

had a similar

Learning for Life

The 2014 Saskatchewan Libraries Conference "Learning for Life" will take place at the Temple Gardens Mineral Spa in Moose Jaw from Thursday May 1 to Saturday, May 3, 2014.

The Conference Program Committee is pleased to invite members of the library, archival, museum, records management, and educational communities to submit proposals for conference.

Concurrent sessions will take place on Friday May 2 and Saturday May 3, 2014. The Saskatchewan Library Association offers travel, meal and hotel discounts for conference presenters. Information about the conference along with downloadable forms can be found at http://saskla.ca/slaconference/2014-conference.

This year's conference will showcase innovation and learning under the theme "Learning for Life." Libraries in Saskatchewan have always demonstrated innovation in the face of adversity.

The Saskatchewan Libraries Conference Program Committee welcomes proposals in any of the following formats:

Presentations are approximately 40 minutes in length with 20 minutes for Q & A. Sessions that

are theoretical, practical and interactive in nature are preferred.

Spotlight On sessions feature 20 minute talks by a group of individual presenters. Themes can include use of technology in the library, marketing initiatives, community engagement, unconventional use of library space & resources, readers' advisory, etc.

Poster Session is a presentation of information on one or more poster sized signs. They may include drawings, photographs, charts, graphs, and textual data relating to a specific subject, case study, longitudinal research project, etc. The individual(s) is/are expected to be available for at least one hour and present an overview of their poster and answer questions. Supporting material such as brochures and multimedia are

Please complete the Presenter form. It can be found at http://saskla.ca/slaconference/2014-conference. The deadline for proposals is Friday, November 22nd, 2013.

Please feel free to direct questions to:

Dan Danforth

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Geek Your Library

Talking about it can make a difference!

You can impact how your library is funded. Find people in your community and start a conversation. Talk to your friends, your neighbors, your co-workers and people influential in your community.

Talk about your library to:

- local government representatives/ officials;
- council members;
- the mayor;
- department heads;

other community officials and representatives; government representatives;

neighbors;

co-workers:

 \Rightarrow your local librarians and library board members, ⇨

business owners and business leaders; \Rightarrow

friends of the Library group or other library support groups;

 \Rightarrow library board members:

 \Rightarrow chamber of commerce: \Rightarrow

community leadership organizations.

Everyone in your community benefits from the services of your public library. Start a conversation about what matters most to you and your community. Then send a letter or e-mail, make a call, or write an article and send it to the editor of your local paper. Share what your community 'geeks' and remind people that the library supports everyone's passions.

For more information on how to "Geek Your Library" please see: http://

Geek (verb)

1. To love, to enjoy, to celebrate, to have an intense passion for.

2. To express interest in.

2. To express a large To possess a large amount of knowledge

in. To promote.

Angie Stewart Rockglen Library

books.

part of such a



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SLTA 2013 Individual Membership Form

SLTA is looking for support from local library boards. We would also suggest buying an individual SLTA membership for your mayor, and/or members of councils as a way to show support for libraries. Your support can help us help libraries!

Membership provides each member with this newsletter, "The Trustee". This newsletter identifies the major issues facing libraries, and allows us to work together to achieve our common goals.

If you would like more information please contact your region's SLTA representative.

Name _			_
Address	3		
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May we send you	the newsletter via e-mail?	YES please	NO thanks
Region			_
Library			

*Each region pays the membership for regional board members. This form is for members of local boards or anyone else who wishes to become a member of the Saskatchewan Library Trustees' Association. Please remit the completed membership form along with \$10.00 payment to the address below. Thank you for your support!

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Front Row (L-R): President Gerald Kleisinger (RPL), Treasurer Donna Hartley (Southeast), Vice President Maureen McGirr (Wapiti), Executive Director Nancy Kennedy.

Missing: Sharon Armstrong (Parkland).

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Library Success Stories

We are looking for more library success stories!

Do you got a great story about some way your library has affected a patron's future, a service or resource that has really made a difference, or friendly help—just when it was needed the most?

If you do and you would like to share, please send your email to njk@sasktel.net.

We're on the Web! www.slta.ca

Your SLTA strives to:

 Promote and foster the development of libraries and library services in Saskatchewan.

- Provide for exchange of ideas and experiences among library board members through conferences and publications.
- Assist members by understanding their responsibilities as library trustees
- Cooperate with associations of library trustees outside the province.
- Seek improvements and foster necessary changes in the legislation affecting Saskatchewan libraries.
- Work in close cooperation with the Saskatchewan Library Association.

Life Member Award

Life Membership may be conferred by the Association upon a member or past member of the SLTA for distinguished service as a trustee in the library field at local, provincial, or national levels. Nominations for the award will be solicited by the executive by advising Regional, Regina, Saskatoon, and PNLS System Boards each year, and that nominations should be made prior to January 31st of each year.

Each nomination shall outline the record of

contributions of the nominee on the local library board, on the SLTA executive, and in other community activities.

Nominations made by a librarian must be supported by at least one trustee. Nominations may be submitted more than once, but must be made each year. Geographic distribution may be considered in making an award. In a year when no name has been submitted, no award would be made. Trustees serving on the SLTA executive will not be eligible for an award during their term of

office.

The selection Committee shall be composed of the SLTA Executive Committee.

The recipient will be notified and invited to the annual Saskatchewan Library Association convention brunch where a presentation will be made.

For more information and a nomination form please visit our website: www.slta.ca or email njk@sasktel.net.