

SKT

Connection

WINTER 2016

Appreciation, Celebration & Illumination

SKT strives to say thanks to our customers throughout the year. Now that the holidays are approaching, we want to make sure this message of appreciation shines as brightly as the season's lights.

Thanks for letting us provide the Internet service that connects you to holiday gift ideas, the Cable TV

service that entertains family and friends, and the Phone service that keeps everyone connected. It's an honor to be part of your celebrations.



Contact

SKT
112 S. Lee, Clearwater, KS 67026
620.584.2255 or toll-free 888.758.8976
Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

For help with service problems during non-business hours, please call 888.758.8976.

24/7 Internet Help Desk
800.968.1855

Visit Us Online
www.SKTMainstreet.com



FASTER INTERNET

makes you way cooler

You'll instantly be amazed at how much better everything is with faster Internet speeds. We're talking better streaming, better gaming, and better use of your time (since you won't be waiting around watching that annoying buffering pinwheel).

**Sign up for a FREE 3-MONTH
INTERNET SPEED BUMP-UP*
and you'll be entered
in our drawing for a
Samsung Galaxy tablet
on December 20!**

**CALL 888.758.8976
FOR A COOL YULE
AND A MUCH
SPEEDIER
NEW YEAR!**



*Service availability and Internet speed will depend on location. Certain restrictions apply. All prices subject to change. Contact us for details.



All But the Tiniest Houses Need Big Internet Speeds

Houses made of gingerbread, frosting, and candies can get by on their sweet looks alone. But the houses we actually live in are filled with all kinds of technology requiring big Internet speeds.

To help determine if your house could use an Internet speed upgrade, consider these factors:

- **Number of Internet users in the household** – Include not only your family members but frequent house guests if applicable.
- **Typical online activities** – For each user, note their online activities including social media, streaming music, streaming video, file download and storage, online gaming, and online video chat. How many activities occur simultaneously on an average day?
- **Number of Internet-connected devices** – Add up the number of computers, tablets, smartphones, gaming consoles, TV receivers, smart appliance, smart home devices, home security equipment, and so on.

After you've looked closely at your current Internet usage, stop by SKT or call us at 888.758.8976 for help picking the right Internet speed.

Support Our Team and Our Communities Win

When you choose SKT as your communications provider, the benefits go well beyond your home or business to places throughout our communities—including ball fields, classrooms, and food pantries. These benefits also extend to many special events, from raffles to rodeos and after-proms to parades, too numerous to list by name.

This past year, we've made financial and in-kind donations of over \$20,000 to a variety of local nonprofit organizations. Our team has also worked as volunteers at many community events and charity fundraisers. In addition, SKT offers free Internet and Cable TV services to city offices in the areas we serve, along with free and/or discounted services to schools, libraries, local police, sheriff, EMS, fire departments, and senior/community centers, with savings topping \$60,000 annually for these vital community hubs.

Unlike our national competitors, we care about more than just making a profit. We care about making a difference.

Thanks for being a customer! We invite you to "Like" SKT on Facebook and visit our website, www.SKTMainstreet.com, to stay updated on our community activities.





Announcing Three Winners and a Spectacular Cover

Congratulations to Kerri Koeppen of Dexter, who was awarded \$100 as SKT's 2017 Southeast Kansas Area Telephone Directory Cover Contest winner. Kerri took the photo last fall on Grouse Creek near Maple City, Kansas. She noted, "The tree colors were absolutely beautiful... God designed it all and I just took the picture."

Because the second- and third-place photos were quite beautiful as well, they will also appear on the 2017 cover. Stephanie Easton of Beaumont took second place, receiving \$50 for her photo entitled, "Bison Bull on a Beautiful Fall Day." Diane Hahn's photo of registered Brangus cattle earned her third place and \$25 from SKT. She is from Burden.

The 2017 Clearwater/Viola Telephone Directory Cover Photo Contest is now underway! SKT customers in these areas are invited to participate by submitting up to three local photos by the end of February.

Something They Want, Something They Need, Something to Wear, and Something to Read

Holiday gift shopping can easily turn into a stressful experience when you try to buy everything you think your kids "must" have. You spend weeks researching where you can get the lowest prices and fight the frenzy of crowds at local stores. And it's all done in an attempt to delight your kids with piles of presents under the tree.

But consider these questions: How many of the holiday gifts you've given in recent years were actually used and enjoyed, and how many ended up in the back of a closet after a few days?

In an effort to simplify the gift-buying process, some families have adopted the saying, "Something they want, something they need, something to wear, and something to read." This strategy encourages parents to give just four gifts per child, selecting one per category. By doing so, more thought can go into the selection of each item, and the experience will hopefully be more rewarding for everyone.



Recipe from an SKT Customer

January is National Soup Month, so we want to share this recipe with you. It's from a wonderful SKT customer, Lee Taylor, of Burden, Kansas, who made it for a Christmas luncheon with family. Enjoy!

Cheesy Potato Soup

5 large potatoes
2 chicken bouillon cubes
8 oz. sour cream
1 block Velveeta (large)
Minced onion to taste



Peel and dice potatoes. Cover with water. Add bouillon cubes and minced onions. Boil until potatoes are tender. Do not drain water. Add sour cream and Velveeta. Simmer until cheese melts.

Have a recipe you'd like to share? Send it to connection@sktc.net or SKT, PO Box 800, Clearwater, KS 67026.



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**WIN A SAMSUNG GALAXY TABLET
FROM SKT – DETAILS INSIDE!**

For Safety's Sake, Equip Your Home With a Landline

In emergency situations, making or receiving phone calls is critical. That's why it's important to remember the safety advantages of a landline phone in situations like these:

- **Someone tries to call you in the middle of the night with an urgent message.**
It could be your child at a sleepover who's scared and wants to come home, or a family member saying you need to come to the hospital immediately. If you only have a cell phone and it's on vibrate, you might not wake up, missing the emergency call. The sound of a landline phone ringing, however, gets attention.
- **Your child needs to call 911 but can't find the cell phone or its battery is dead.**
A landline phone provides the safety advantage of staying in one place in the home and not needing batteries, so your child can always make the call.
- **A health emergency prevents the caller from speaking.** Let's say your aging parent is disoriented or in pain and isn't able to clearly communicate to the 911 operator. With a landline phone, the exact home address is instantly available to emergency personnel.

For more details on landline service, call us at 888.758.8976.

Win great prizes!



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COLLEGE FOOTBALL
CONTEST!**

Games start December 17th

**SKT Customers,
play the SKT Pick-It Bowl
Challenge and you could win
great cash prizes!**

Make your picks by December 16th

Sign up at: skt.pickitchallenge.com