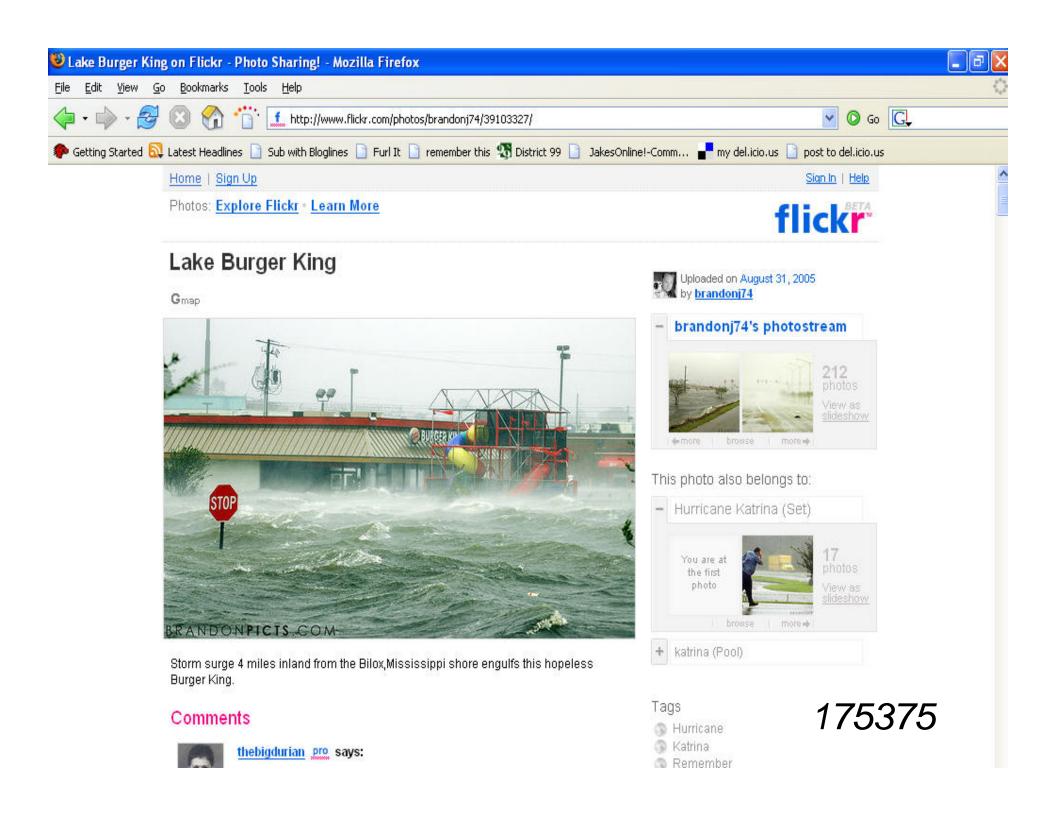
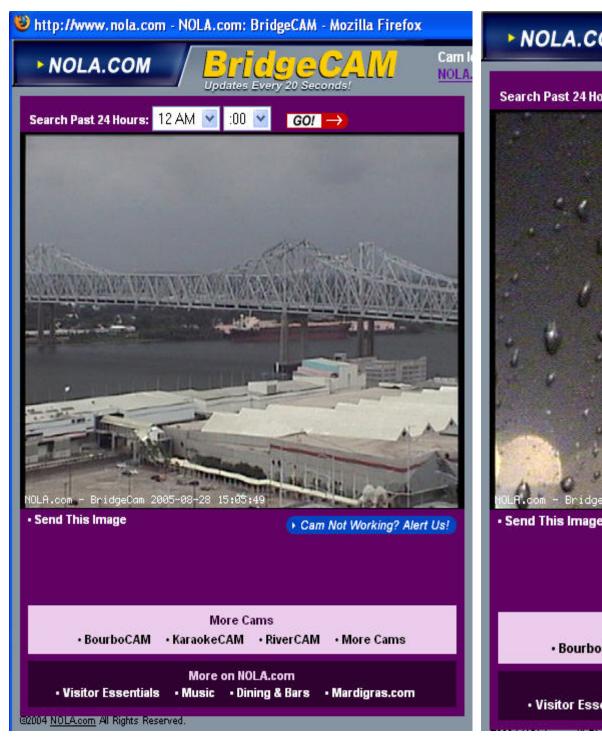
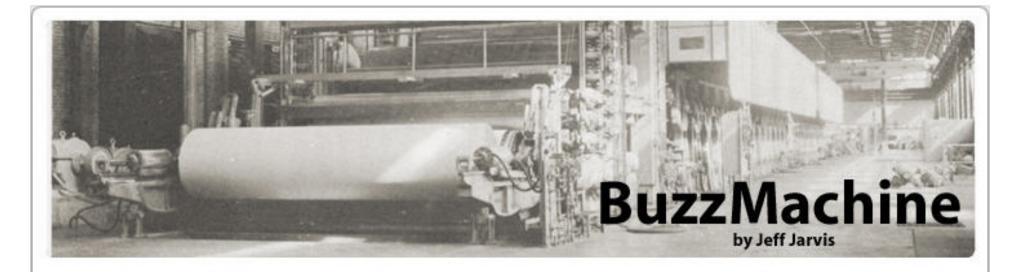
Knowledge is of two kinds. We know a subject ourselves, or we know where we can find information on it."

Samuel Johnson









« Caveat conglomerate

Oil »

## Should New Orleans be rebuilt?

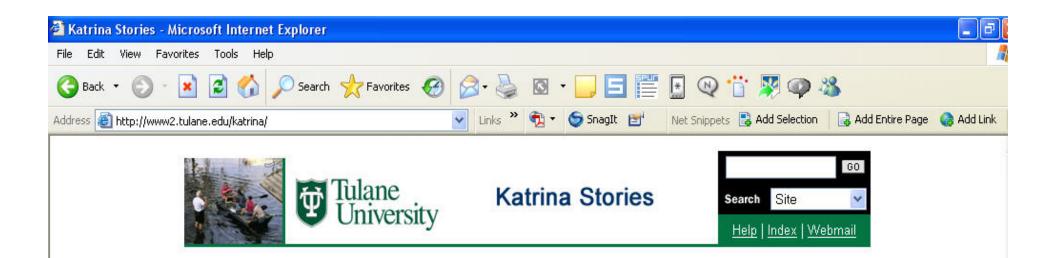
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It's an indelicate question but one that needs to be asked: Should New Orleans be rebuilt? Or how much of it should be?

At a press conference with the governor and legislators just now, vows were made: "We're going to be reinventing New Orleans.... Can and will New Orleans be rebuilt? Absolutely!"

But... Having visited the city often in my last job, I was always struck by its poverty and its lack of a workable economy. Tourism is pretty much the only industry. The food is great. The attitude is fun. But big companies had left.

And... Does it make sense to rebuild homes and offices in a place that



### The Aftermath of Hurricane Katrina

#### - Memorial Website

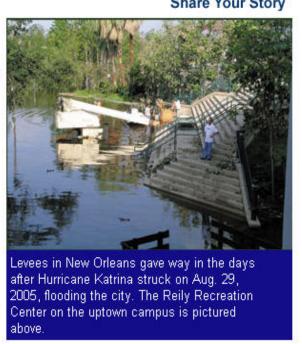
In late August 2005, the worst natural disaster in the history of the U.S. caused unbelievable destruction to our beloved city, its people and institutions, including Tulane University. However, the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina did not destroy us because of the courage and sheer determination of so many who would not accept defeat no matter what obstacles or challenges stood in the way.

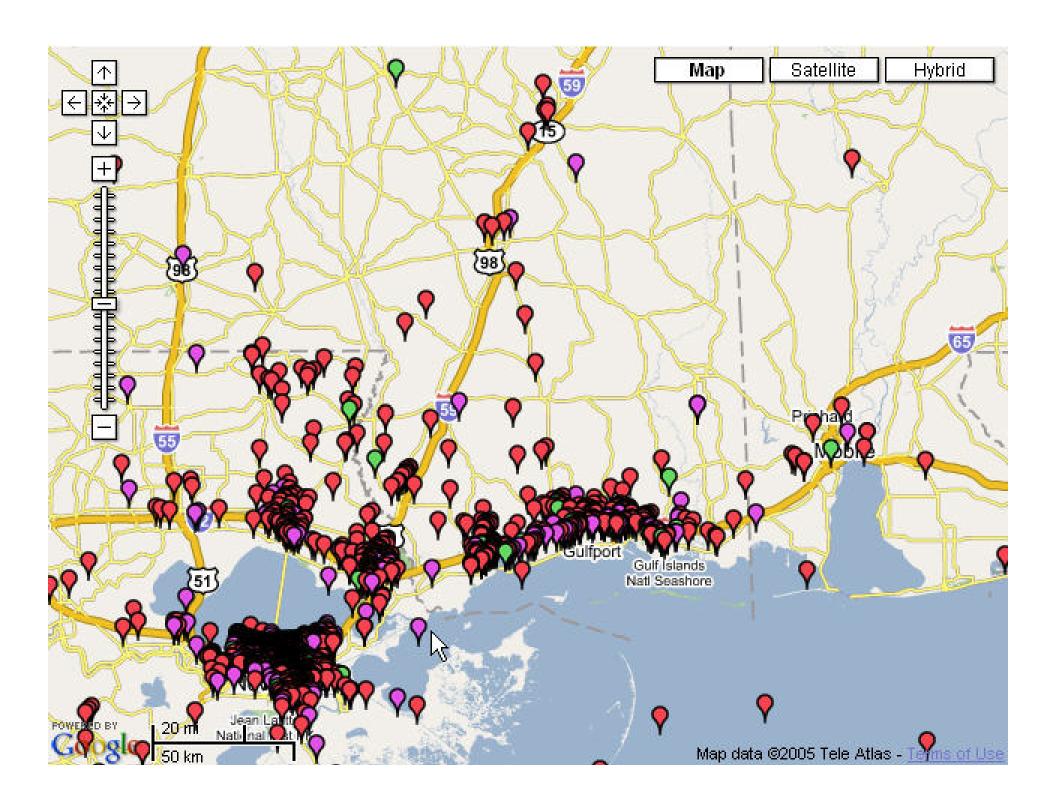
This website has been created to serve as a living journal for those who survived, and as a memorial to the places, family and friends we have lost.

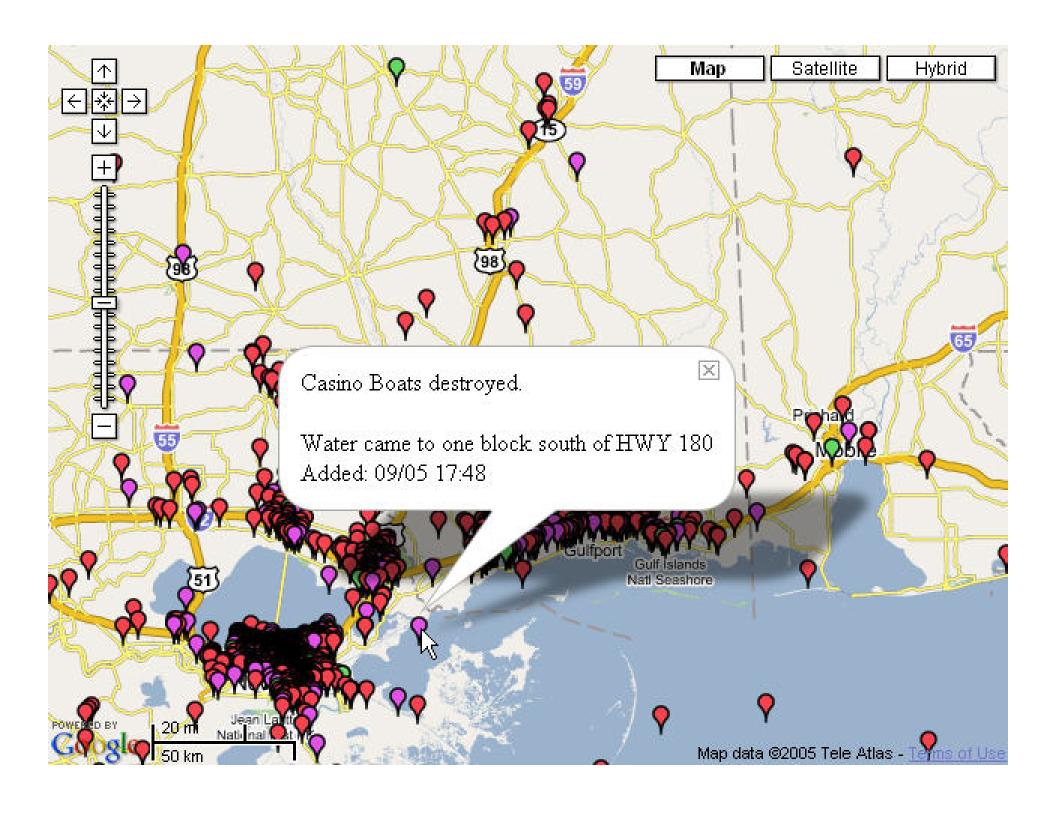
### What happened at Tulane University?

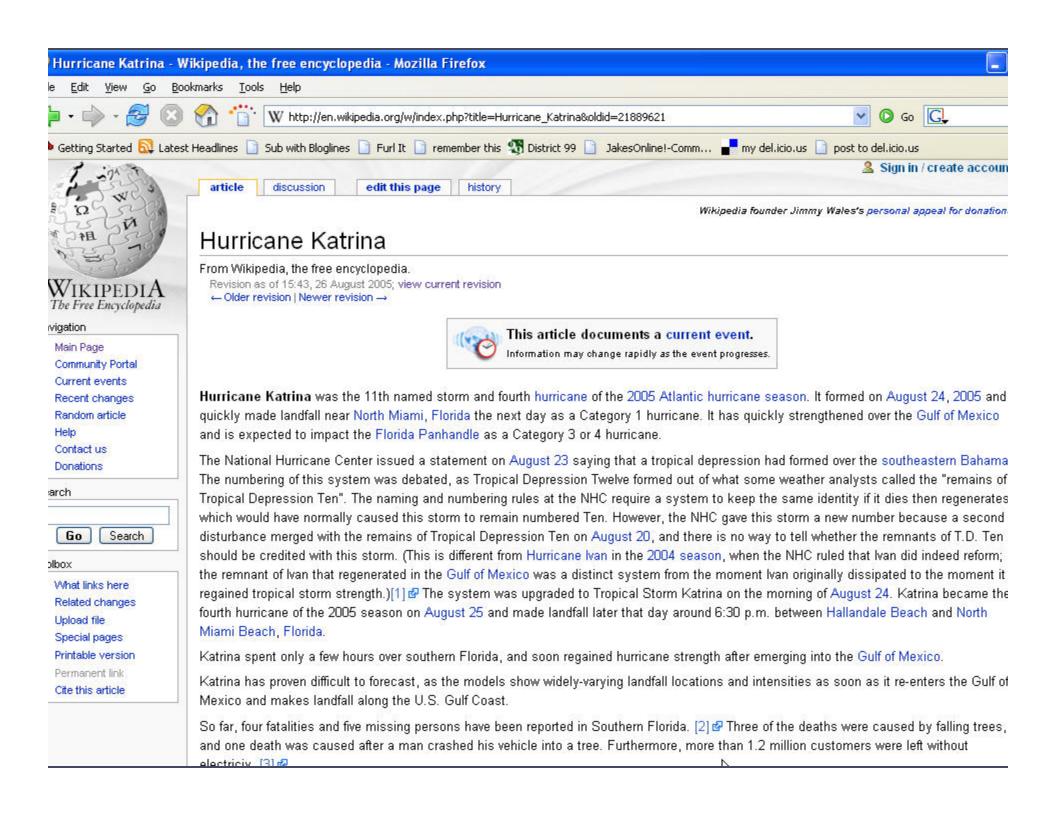
Saturday, Aug. 27, 2005 was move-in day for Tulane students. In a matter of hours, students and parents went from unpacking boxes in residence halls to hurriedly evacuating the city. By Sunday, every Tulane student was evacuated -- with approximately 400 students bused to Jackson State University along with the "away" Tulane emergency team. Only President Cowen and a handful of essential personnel remained on campus in New Orleans. Follow their story here

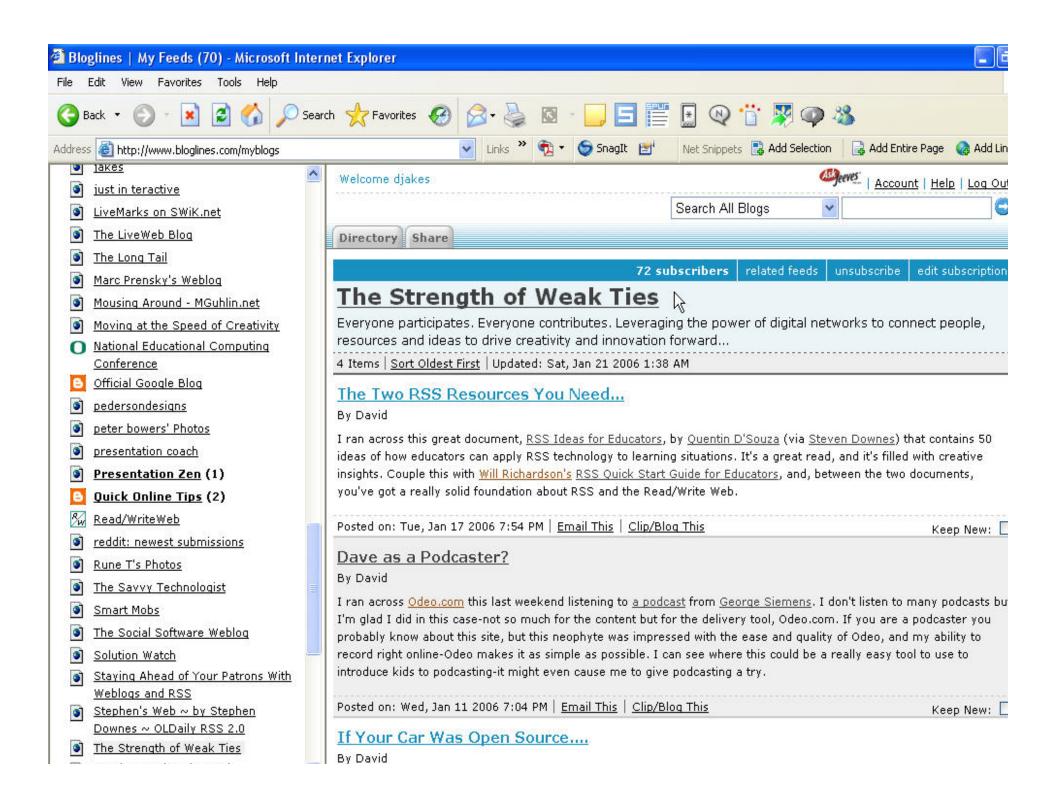
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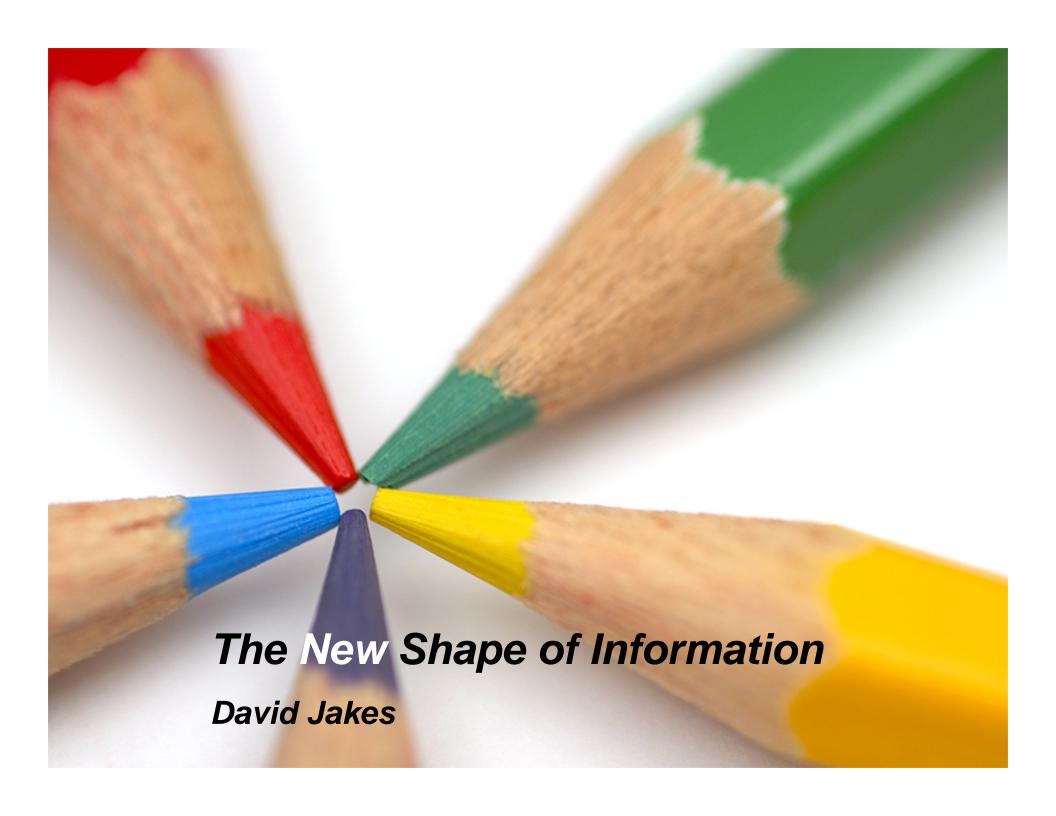














# What does it mean to be information literate in 2006?

# What are the traditional characteristics of an information literate person?

An information literate person is:

# Problem-solving Pathway

# The New Shape of Information In 2006:

digital, networked, overwhelming (Warlick)

immediate, manipulatable, participatory, visual (Google Earth)

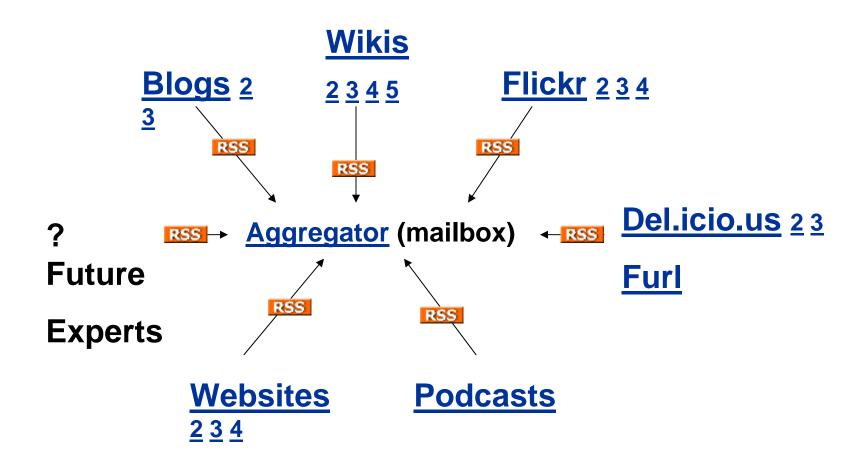
## The New Information Tools

Blogs, Wikis, Podcasts, Screencasts, Furl, del.icio.us, Flickr, Aggregator, and RSS





## Here is how it works...with examples



Does the emergence, and significance, of these tools, redefine what is meant to be information literate?

How and when will we teach students these tools so that they are more productive, creative and innovative...and information literate?

Does this further extend our vision of what schools are and should be?

Does understanding how to use these tools equate to being educated? How do these tools change how we work? How we access information? How we teach? How students learn? How do we leverage these tools to our advantage? How much information is too much? Are these tools and capabilities important for students? What type of students? Is teaching this to kids within our reach? Are we reaching a new level of disconnect between our schools and the tools of the digital age? How are these tools framed within a sound pedagogical lesson design? Does this further extend our vision of what schools are and should be?

## Conclusions: the new literacy

New tools give everyone the capability to contribute....

Information is the domain of everyone....

Information has a new shape....

Information flows in multiple directions...

Individuals can create their own personal learning networks....

The challenge to schools is to leverage these new tools, and the new vision of information literacy, to improve student learning and achievement.

## The New Tools:

RSS (real simple syndication) Landmark Schools WillRich

Aggregators (bloglines.com) JOL

Blogs (short for Web log, edublogs, Blogmeister)

Wikis (collaborative Web publishing, social construction of knowledge, Wikipedia, London Bombings, JakesWiki, SeedWiki, pbwiki)

Podcasting (Connect Learning, Teach42)

Tags (technorati.com) (43 things)

Del.icio.us (social bookmarks), Furl.net (store Web pages)

Flickr (photo sharing)