## BREAKDOWN OF THE MEDIA WEBSITES

## **Messenger Applications**

- Wickr: Messenger app with free end-to-end encrypted text, picture and voice messenger in which users can make messages available for as little as one second to four days.
- **Surespot**: Messenger app that uses end-to-end encoding software to encode messages that cannot be read without users sharing a "key" with their intended recipient.
- **Telegram**: Cross-platform messenger app developed in Germany that enables users to message contacts with whom they have shared their contact information. Users can chat with individuals or groups and send messages that will self-destruct after a specified time. The app contains enhanced security measures which make messages and senders less easy to track. In September 2015, it reported 12 billion messages were being sent daily.
- WhatsApp: Cross-platform mobile messaging app that does not charge users. Utilizes internet connections to send video, picture, and text messages in private and group messages.
- **Discord**, a messenger application for gamers with more than 130 million registered users. The platform organizes its chat communities into "servers," each of which contains numerous text and voice channels.
- **Kik**: Smartphone cross-platform messenger app developed in Ontario, Canada that also includes a built-in browser. Has over 150 million registered users.
- **Tango**: Cross-platform mobile messaging app that allows users to send text and picture messages as well as complete video and voice calls using their cellular network. Also enables users to "find friends" by GPS location reporting in the "people nearby" feature. Users can follow "channels" to browse content.
- Viber: A multi-platform messaging app that enables users to use text and photo messaging as well as location-sharing and calls with other Viber users. This app is popular for its encrypted system that lets users send messages without threat of outside monitoring. It has more than 400 million users who are primarily based in the Middle East, Europe, and South America.
- **8kun, formerly known as 8chan:** imageboard site where users website hosting user-created message boards. The site was reopened under the new name and stricter policies as of November 2019.
- Wire: top right, just a "W"-- offers messaging, voice calls, and file sharing and uses end-to-end encryption.
- **Theema**: bottom left of comment bubble with lock and 3 green dots -- offers messaging, voice calls, and file sharing and uses end-to-end encryption.

## File/ Image Sharing

- Facebook: Social networking site that enables users to connect with contacts through posting pictures, statuses, and reposting articles. It has both private and public messaging capabilities but does not encrypt messages like some of the others on this list. Facebook is in the process of moving to full encryption.
- YouTube: Video hosting website with public messaging capabilities.
- **Instagram**: Photo editing and sharing app that allows users to use photo filters to edit their pictures before sharing them on the Instagram website and other social media websites both privately and publicly. The app has over 400 million users. (The app is owned now by Facebook.)

- **Snapchat**: A private and public image sharing app that allows users to specify the time a recipient can view a picture, or snap, and message before it disappears. An estimated 50 million people use the app with a median age of 18 years old.
- Flickr: Online photo management and sharing app that lets users upload an unlimited number of photos and either share privately or publicly through email, RSS feeds, and the Flickr website. Operates on smartphones as well as computers and has over 92 million registered members.
- Tik Tok: Platform used for creating, sharing, and discovering short music videos.
- **SHAREit**: in the middle a litte more towards the right, blue with a white circle with 3 white dots on the edges of the circle-- file sharing app.

## **Social Networking**

- Twitter: A popular social media website that lets users publicly and privately share posts of 140 characters or less as well as short videos, called "vines". The website has 316 million active monthly users and an average of 500 million tweets are sent per day in over 35 languages.
- gab: Social media site known for its predominantly alt-right and white supremacist user base.
- MeWe: a private social network with no ads or datamining.
- **Reddit**: a social news platform that allows users to discuss and vote on content other users have submitted.
- **Parler**: top left area, white P inside of red square --social networking service self-described as an alternative to Twitter.