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## LET THE CELEBRATION BEGIN!

*2024 is just around the corner and PenTeleData will celebrate 30 years of providing trusted connections. Stay tuned to our newsletters and social media pages for more history and fun facts about our company, our people, and the communities we serve. We've got a few good contests in mind too!*

## 30 YEARS

### The Network Guy Quiz Challenge

PenTeleData is giving one lucky winner a \$150 Amazon Gift Card. Just visit [www.ptd.net/quiz-challenge](http://www.ptd.net/quiz-challenge) by November 30, 2023 to answer the contest question. We will select a winner at random from all correct entries. **Good Luck!**

Click the Quiz Challenge link and choose which is true about Social Media "tell us about yourself" polls and quizzes.

### Learn from The Network Guy

Can online social media polls and quizzes hack my computer and/or files?

#### The Network Guy:

Be very cautious! Silly questions on Facebook, a poll on Twitter, or any other "tell us about yourself" on social media, although seemingly innocent enough, can give the answers to personal questions that open the doors for hackers and digital threats.

## Things That Make You Go Hmmm...

90% of the world's data was created in the last two years. The exponential growth of social media, cloud computing, and the internet of things has led to an explosion of data creation.

The first computer virus was created in 1986. Since then, viruses and other malware have become much more sophisticated, making cybersecurity a critical concern for businesses and individuals.

The world's first electronic computer, the Colossus, was built in 1943. It was the first machine capable of performing complex calculations using electronic components.

The first webcam was invented at the University of Cambridge to monitor the coffee pot in the computer science department.

The first computer game, *Spacewar!*, was invented in 1962.

The first video game, *Tennis for Two*, was created in 1958.

The first video arcade game, developed in 1971, was named *Galaxy Game*.

The first home video game console was created in 1967 and aptly named Brown Box because it looked like a brown box. The technology was later licensed to Magnavox who began selling it in 1972 as the name *Odyssey*.

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"Good is not a thing you are. It's a thing you do."

– Ms. Marvel



## PenTeleData is Proud to Serve Tamaqua, PA

**"Tamaqua," roughly translated from the Iroquois language as "land wherein dwells the animal who lives in the water," or "beaver," is located in eastern Schuylkill County at the intersection of Routes 209 and 309.**

Tamaqua was settled in 1799 by Berkhard Moser, his son Jacob, and John Kershner, who built shelters and a sawmill at the junction of the Little Schuylkill River and Panther Creek, which is downtown Tamaqua today.

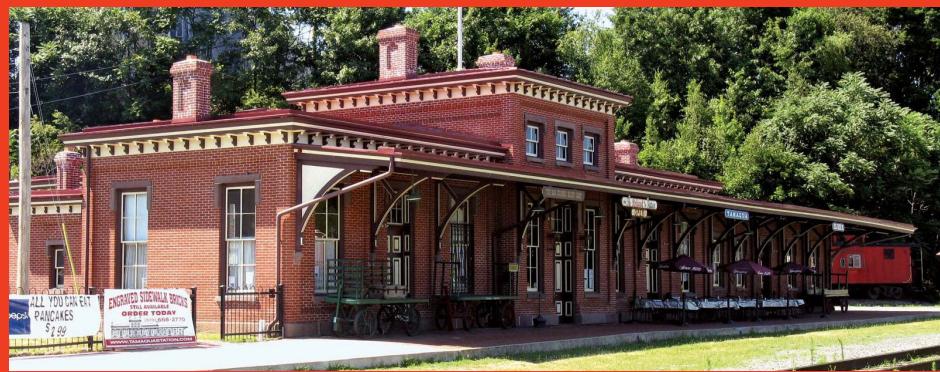
Irish, Welsh, and German immigrants came to the borough in the 1840s and 1850s followed by a large influx of Italians, Lithuanians, Russians, Ukrainians, Slovaks, and Poles in the 1890s and early 20th century. During the 1860s and 1870s, Tamaqua also was the geographic center hub for the Molly Maguires, 19th century Irish secret society.

Coal mining was a vital economic activity for much of the 20th century. Tamaqua also gained recognition as the center for the railroad. In 1885, the Edison Electric Illuminating Co. of Tamaqua furnished the town with the nation's second incandescent municipal lighting system, a feat accomplished through the involvement with none other than Thomas Edison himself.

Tamaqua is filled with interesting architecture and infrastructure from its heyday as a coal and railroad center and its role in helping to fuel America's Industrial Revolution. There's also Native American heritage, too, right alongside a 21st century transformation.

Tamaqua's strategic location is one of its biggest assets - the foothills of the Poconos and Gateway to the Anthracite Region. It's a unique and welcoming community planning for the future with a special sense of pride and place.

Source: <https://www.boroughs.org/fullspotlight.php?id=108>



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