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Do You Clear the Cache on Your Smartphone?

The browser on your smartphone is like a closet. Over time, they collect clutter and become a lot less effective at the things they were intended to do. When you visit a website, your phone downloads information like photos, banners, and other data so it's easier to retrieve. Over time, that storage can become outdated. That's why it's a good idea to clean it up periodically. In other words, clear the cache. This will speed up your phone while you're browsing the web. You can also manage your phone's storage to help get it running again.

This month, we're including directions for clearing your cache on an iPhone using a Safari browser. Stay tuned next month because we'll include how to clear the iPhone cache for Chrome.

To clear your iPhone cache in Safari, the default browser on iPhones (These instructions will work for iOS 11 and newer):

Please note, following these steps will affect all devices signed into your iCloud account. As a result, the caches on all the devices will be cleared and you'll need to sign into everything again the next time you use them.

1. Open the Settings app on your iPhone.
2. Select Safari from the list of apps.
3. Go to Advanced > Website Data.
4. Scroll down and select Clear History and Website Data.
5. Choose Remove Now in the pop-up box.

You're all set!

The Network Guy Quiz Challenge

PenTeleData is giving one lucky winner a \$150 Amazon Gift Card. Just visit www.ptd.net/quiz-challenge by **August 31, 2022** 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 statements are true about protecting yourself from identity theft when traveling!



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I plan on taking a trip. Are there any basic precautions I can take to prevent identity theft while I'm traveling?

The Network Guy:

This is a great question! Yes, a few simple steps can help protect your identity.

- + Take only the identification cards, credit cards, and debit cards you need. Make copies and keep them in a separate, safe location, so if someone steals your bag or wallet, you'll know exactly what is lost. Some cards even have the option to pause or cancel usage online, but if that's not an option, you'll have the phone numbers readily available to contact the necessary companies.
- + Leave all other important documents in a safe location at home.
- + Learn how to protect your wireless devices and personal information from hackers and malware. Be sure to follow those measures and keep them current.



CNET's Best Wireless Earbuds for 2022

(Top Picks for Every Budget)

- > Sony WF-1000XM4
- > Earfun Air Pro SV
- > Beats Fit Pro
- > Sennheiser Momentum True Wireless 3
- > Sony Link Buds S
- > JBL Live Pro 2
- > Beyerdynamic Free Byrd
- > Bang & Olufsen Beoplay EX
- > Apple AirPods Pro with MagSafe
- > Earfun Air Pro 2

For a complete list and to compare pricing and features, including more detailed information about each, visit CNET at:

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*"Just because someone stumbles and loses their way, doesn't mean they're lost forever."
– Professor Charles Xavier in X-Men*

PenTeleData is Proud to Serve Ephrata, PA

Founded in 1732, Ephrata was historically known as a pleasure resort and agricultural community. Over a century later, Ephrata enjoyed a reputation as a popular pleasure resort due to its renowned "spring waters" where today stands the Mountain Springs Hampton Inn and Suites. The surrounding countryside blends with the ambiance of the historic downtown district to create a unique small-town destination.

Ephrata also became home to America's first communal religious society, the Ephrata Cloister, which is still a popular historical destination today. This national landmark attracts many visitors with its unique architecture, original music, remarkable art, and more. It also hosts many exciting annual events, such as its Apple Dumpling Days in early October, Christmas at the Cloister in mid-December, and Lantern Tours at Ephrata Cloister in late December.

In addition, the town offers a nice mix of local shops and boutiques. Ephrata is also home to one of the largest farmers' markets in the country, Green Dragon Farmers Market & Auction. Open on Fridays, Green Dragon features tons of Amish-made items, baked goods, books, candy, collectibles, quilts, toys, jewelry, and so much more, and is a great way to support local businesses and experience that tight-knit community feel that Lancaster County boasts.

On top of all this, Ephrata also has plenty of live theatre, restaurants, craft breweries, wineries & distilleries, events, and homey lodging. Explore many of these destinations, plus beautiful countryside and covered bridges, by driving the Northern Amish Countryside Trail. (Source: <https://www.discoverlanaster.com/regions-towns/northern-countryside/ephrata/>)

It's also worth noting that Blue Ridge Communications (BRC), a PenTeleData partner, has been an active part of the Ephrata community since 1975.

At the turn of the 19th century William F. Brossman and his family resided on Sunnyside Farm near Red Run in Brecknock Township, PA. Mr. Brossman was a successful fertilizer salesman who became interested and reliant on budding telephone technology to communicate with his customers. He became frustrated with the not-so-farm-like hours kept by the Lancaster based operators, the driving force behind what would become Denver and Ephrata Telephone and Telegraph Company.

The D & E Telephone and Telegraph Company, later known as D&E Communications, was officially formed in 1911. In time, William Brossman's daughters Bertha Blair and Anne Brossman Sweigart, respectively, would both serve as President of D & E Telephone Company. Both women, much like our own Don and Fred Reinhard, held active roles in their company well past retirement age. Mrs. Blair spent every day fulfilling a promise to her dying father, working in a high-tech industry dominated by men right up to her death at the age of 93. Mrs. Sweigart was elected Chairman Emeritus of D&E Communications, a position which she held until her death at age 92.

In the early 1970s, D&E also owned a cable system. BRC's corporate founder, Claude Reinhard, learned of the opportunity to purchase that part of their company. Unfortunately, he passed away before the sale was complete. Still, after his untimely passing, the purchase of the Ephrata cable system was accomplished by his two sons, Don and Fred. The closing was on January 31, 1975, with both Brossman daughters present and the system was renamed Blue Ridge CATV. In 1997, the system merged into Blue Ridge Cable.