

# THE NetworkGuy

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## PenTeleData is Proud to Serve Wellsboro, PA

From the glow of Wellsboro's street gaslights to the shimmer of starlight above the Pine Creek Gorge, it is grand indeed. And from fishing and hiking to antiquing and fine dining, there are recreational and entertainment opportunities for every visitor to Tioga County, every season of the year.

Located along scenic Route 6 in North Central Pennsylvania, Wellsboro, and the surrounding area, offers a unique vacation beginning with a natural wonder over six-million-years-old. Known as the Pennsylvania Grand Canyon, the beautiful terrain is the result of melting prehistoric ice glaciers.

It's no wonder the canyon, also known as Pine Creek Gorge, has drawn a great deal of national attention in recent years. National Geographic selected this Grand Canyon as a "must do" location to visit. Likewise, Sports Illustrated spotlighted the area for two consecutive years.

New York Times travel writer, Dave Caldwell, noted that the "Main Street has held tight to its charm" with "a long row of tall, black gaslights, standing as ramrod straight as soldiers on a parade ground." It's a charm that will take one back 50 years as "a quaint town with quiet things to do."

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## 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 July 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 to choose which statement is NOT true about recognizing the risks of using a connected device?



## Learn from The Network Guy

I know my gaming console is a connected device, but my friend says there's no cybersecurity risk. Is that true or should I be taking proactive steps to protect myself just like I do with my computer and wireless phone?

### The Network Guy:

Anytime you use a connected device, including a gaming console, it's important to recognize the risks and take steps to stay safe. A few simple steps can reduce the likelihood of a problem:

- + Keep a clean machine. Gaming systems are simply computers with software that needs to be kept up-to-date.
- + Take time to make sure all the online gaming devices in your house have the latest security software, web browser, and operating system.
- + Protect your personal information. Keep your Social Security number, account numbers, and passwords private, as well as specific information about yourself, such as your full name, address, birthday, and even vacation plans.
- + Protect your privacy. Some online games offer geo-tagging functionality that can reveal your exact location. If possible, disable these geo-tagging features. Be cautious about using a web cam or voice chat option when playing an online game.
- + Make passwords long and strong.



## Five Fast Technology Facts:

- > There are 3.8 billion Internet users every day
- > On average, each person has two to eight networked gadgets
- > Approximately 8 billion gadgets connect on the Internet every day
- > Desktop Internet usage is falling while mobile Internet usage is rising
- > Spam messages accounted for 45.37% of all email traffic in December 2021

### Bonus Fsct:

Make sure your kids get outside and play too, but not all gaming is bad. Surgeons that grew up playing video games more than three hours per week make 37% fewer errors and have a 42% faster completion rate when performing laparoscopic surgery and suturing!

*A hero can be anyone, even a man doing something as simple and reassuring as putting a coat around a young boy's shoulders to let him know that the world hadn't ended."*

*- Batman, The Dark Knight Rises*

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With Mother Nature serving as organic architect molding the canyon's gorge, a myriad of stunning vistas serve as a backdrop for hiking, biking, paddling, horseback riding or fishing along the 60 miles of trail that comprises the canyon floor.

Visitors to Leonard Harrison State Park have an opportunity to enjoy the pristine beauty from atop the canyon's east rim. There one can find modern facilities; a visitor's center with educational materials and developed lookout locations that offer a hawk eye view of the over 1,400-foot drop. Meanwhile, Colton Point State Park provides a more primitive look from the west rim, as well as easy access to the canyon's floor.

Venture 10 miles into the borough and take a step back in time. Wellsboro provides a glimpse of an era reminiscent of bygone Americana life portrayed in Norman Rockwell illustrations. Original Victorian gas lights line the boulevards, adding to Main Street's charm. A stroll through the heart of the community provides an opportunity to go back several decades stopping in and out of stores, or even window shopping. Both serve as a reminder of the pre-mall days. Many quaint gift and specialty shops, and even an old fashion dining car, contribute to the town's overall character.

*Source: The Wellsboro Chamber of Commerce ([www.wellsboropa.com](http://www.wellsboropa.com))*



## Gig Internet: You Want It, We've Got It!

**Gig is slang for a live musical performance. But what about Gig Internet speeds? We've got 'em! Gig Internet is available throughout our footprint.**

Gigabit Internet speeds are a "gold standard" for Internet users, as they can support several devices at once and are designed for today's connected homes and offices. Gig Internet offers speeds for optimal streaming and gaming experiences, all while supporting other smart home devices.

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