



## DO YOU GET VOICE MAIL IN YOUR E-MAIL?

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IF NOT, THEN YOU SHOULD KNOW,

VOICE MAIL IN YOUR E-MAIL

IT IS THE WAY TO GO.

IT REALLY IS QUITE SIMPLE,

SAVES TIME AND MONEY TOO,

VOICE MAIL IN YOUR E-MAIL

IS FOR PEOPLE JUST LIKE YOU.

GET YOUR MESSAGE ON YOUR LAPTOP,

AT YOUR DESK OR ON YOUR CELL,

VOICE MAIL IN YOUR E-MAIL

WORKS VERY, VERY WELL.

IT'S FREE TO VOICE MAIL CUSTOMERS,

QUITE A VALUE YOU MIGHT SAY,

VOICE MAIL IN YOUR E-MAIL

START USING IT TODAY.

BY NOW YOU'RE SURELY ASKING

HOW YOU CAN HAVE IT TOO,

VOICE MAIL IN YOUR E-MAIL

JUST CALL AND WE'LL ADD IT FOR YOU!



### Phone Numbers

**Customer Service**  
610-826-6650

**Business Office**  
610-826-2115

**Repair Service**  
610-826-3444

**Gilbert Office**  
610-826-9321

*Palmerton Telephone  
Company continues  
to engineer and  
advance technology  
for tomorrow while  
providing reliability  
and quality service  
that Pennsylvanians  
count on today.*

SERVING THIS AREA SINCE 1900

465 Delaware Avenue • Palmerton, PA 18071 • [www.ptelco.com](http://www.ptelco.com)

## From the Manager's Desk...

*Do you know that  
Palmerston Telephone  
has been serving the  
area since 1900?*

### IT COSTS A LITTLE LESS NOW

Twelve Cents? What is it good for? About the best you can say is that it pays the sales tax on a two dollar purchase. Be that as it may. That's how much your telephone bill is being reduced this month. Twelve cents from each customer over a sixty-month period paid for the changes necessary for you to be able to take your telephone number with you if you changed the company that provides your local service.

Back in 2005, the Federal Communications Commission ordered small companies like Palmerston Telephone to install the hardware and software to make Local Number Portability available to its customers. The order was effective even though there was no competitor for local service at that time. Because the Commission order caused us an expense we ordinarily would not have incurred, they permitted us to charge our customers a small amount each month for 5 years to recoup the cost. For residential customers, that amount was twelve cents. Some larger businesses were charged more. It's finally going away this month.

This month marks the end of the five-year period and the charge now disappears from your bill. While we still have some ongoing expenses for such things as database lookups to route numbers ported to other carriers, these are considered by the commission as a normal expense of doing business in today's environment and are not recoverable. Oh for the days when twelve cents would buy enough candy to last the whole day!

Sincerely,

*Tom Lager*

General Manager  
Palmerston Telephone Company

## Telephone Book Reminder

Watch your mailbox - the New Palmerston Telephone Directory is on the way! As always, you can expect a variety of useful information, including a history on our area, helpful information about your telephone service, local and extended area telephone listings, and of course, the yellow pages.

## The Original Potato Salad with Real Mayonnaise

### Ingredients:

- > 2 pounds potatoes, peeled and cut into 3/4 inch chunks
- > 1 cup Real Mayonnaise
- > 2 tablespoons vinegar
- > 1 1/2 teaspoons salt
- > 1 teaspoon sugar
- > 1/4 teaspoon ground black pepper
- > 1 cup thinly sliced celery
- > 1/2 cup chopped onion
- > 2 hard-cooked eggs, chopped (optional)

### Directions:

1. Cover potatoes with water in 4-quart saucepot; bring to a boil over medium-high heat. Reduce heat and simmer 10 minutes or until potatoes are tender. Drain and cool slightly.
2. Combine Real Mayonnaise, vinegar, salt, sugar and pepper in large bowl. Add potatoes, celery, onion and eggs and toss gently. Serve chilled or at room temperature.

Recipe June 2010

# CALLER ID: IF YOU DON'T HAVE IT, YOU SHOULD!

**CALLER ID HAS BECOME A STAPLE IN HOUSEHOLDS ACROSS AMERICA AND BEYOND. ANYONE WHO DOESN'T HAVE IT IS MISSING OUT ON A VERY VALUABLE FEATURE.**

After all, you can see who called while you were out, block unlisted callers, and block your own number from others. It's your electronic peephole, your personal time management solution, your chance to see who called while you were busy relaxing in the pool. Deluxe Caller ID shows the telephone number and name of an incoming call on a display unit. The information displays between the first and second rings, so you can decide whether to take the call. Not only can you see the telephone number of incoming calls, but you can also block your own information on outgoing calls. This valuable feature is beneficial for all households, but is especially important for occupations requiring calls made from home, where personal privacy is a safety concern, including doctors, lawyers, teachers, public officials and law enforcement. This service is available via two methods: per call blocking and line blocking. It is not necessary to order per-call blocking service, you simply enter \*67 (or 1167 on a rotary phone) to block Caller ID information from being displayed for that call only. Line blocking service, ordered through our Customer Service, blocks your Caller ID information for all outgoing calls except those to 911 and to 800, 888, or 900 numbers.

*Do you know that  
Palmerston Telephone  
copper wires, connected  
end to end, circle the  
earth 4 times at the  
equator?*

## EXTRA, EXTRA: READ ALL ABOUT IT!

### COMPUTER PATROL "THE STORE" IS NOW OPEN IN PALMERTON!

#### HAVE YOU HEARD THE NEWS?

THE NEW PENTELEDATA COMPUTER PATROL STORE IS NOW OPEN AT 528 DELAWARE AVENUE IN PALMERTON. AS A RESELLER FOR DELL AND LENOVO, THEY WILL OFFER THE CONVENIENCE OF BUYING THESE WELL-RECOGNIZED AND RESPECTED NAMES WITH THE PERSONALIZED ONE-ON-ONE ATTENTION THAT YOU EXPECT FROM A LOCAL BUSINESS.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION AND STORE HOURS PLEASE CALL 610.826.9090.**



### Brain Teaser April 2010 Winner!

**Congratulations to  
Jean DeSanto of  
Kresgeville, Pa.  
Jean was the  
winner of a \$25 Gift  
Card to Roadies  
Restaurant and Bar  
at Penn's Peak in Jim  
Thorpe, Pa.**

*I'm a word. If you  
take away my first  
letter I'm on your  
head and if you take  
away my first and  
second letters I'm  
around you and you  
breathe me in.  
What am I?*

*Answer: chair*

## THE YEAR WAS 1990...

What comes to mind when you think of the year 1990? Saddam Hussein ordered the Iraq invasion of neighboring Kuwait to seize petroleum reserves, setting off the Persian Gulf War. George Bush was president of the United States. The Communist Party relinquished sole power in the Soviet government. Margaret Thatcher resigned as the British Prime Minister.

It was only twenty years ago, but technology since that time has changed drastically. Cell phones had become available only about five years prior and were only used by a few percent of people. The Internet was unknown to most. Texting, Facebook, and many other now common technologies were still undiscovered. Even land-

line phone services were much different, without basic features like Caller ID, \*69 and call trace. Since then, prank calls have probably been on a steady decline! Maybe you remember answering calls like "Is your refrigerator running?" and "Do you have Prince Albert in a can? Let him out."

Flash forward to 2030, twenty years from now. How will advancements in science and technology change our world? What will it mean for transportation, energy, education and banking? Similar to the way communications have evolved and changed through the years, surely we are laying the groundwork for the future.

### Fun Facts

If you drove a car from Earth at a constant speed of 100 miles per hour, it would take about 221 billion years to reach the center of the Milky Way.

If you read or listen to all the words in all four stanzas of "The Star-Spangled Banner," you'll find that there are three words missing. The words "United States" and the word "America" are never mentioned in the song. The U.S. Congress didn't make the song the official anthem of the U.S. until 1931 – 117 years after it was written.

Band-Aid Brand Adhesive Bandages® first appeared on the market in 1921. However, the little red string that is used to tear open the package was not added until 1940.

Florence, Italy was the first city to mint its own gold coins in 1252. The fiorino became known as the florence, then the florin.

Muppets creator Jim Henson first created Kermit in 1955 — as a lizard. He was made from Henson's mother's coat and two halves of a Ping-Pong ball (no flipper feet or eleven-point collar). He didn't become a frog until 1968.

Comedian Bill Cosby became the spokesperson for Jell-O pudding in 1974. His upbeat, childlike personality worked well with on-screen youngsters, and he later began the "Kids Love Pudding" TV campaign. As of 2000, Cosby was still going strong in his Jell-O brand TV commercials and print ads.

Because of an incredible anti-dehydration system, some cactus species release 1/600th the moisture of an ordinary plant the same size. Others are able to drink water from humidity in the air.

Redwood trees sometimes grow to heights of 350 feet and produce bark that is more than a foot thick. Yet they spring from a seed that is only a sixteenth of an inch long.

### Val-YOU Package

**WOULD YOU LIKE TO SAVE MONEY ON YOUR TELEPHONE BILL?  
WITH OUR VAL-YOU PACKAGE, YOU CAN!**

It's savings without sacrificing service. You could enjoy our most requested calling features and **unlimited local and long distance calling** within the Continental United States for **just \$39.99 per month!** This package includes your dial tone telephone line, unlimited local and long distance calling within the Continental United States, 3-Way Calling, Touchtone Service, Call Forwarding, Repeat Call, Call Waiting, Voice Mail, Return Call Service, Caller ID Deluxe and 30 Number Speed Dial.

As an added bonus, residential Val-YOU Package Customers who have or choose to add **Platinum or Platinum Plus DSL will automatically save \$10 per month** on their high-speed broadband Internet connection. Palmerton Telephone DSL, Powered by PenTeleData, offers a variety of features, including a dedicated, constant Internet connection, free Spam Tagging, free Unleashed Wi-Fi Hot Spot Access, unlimited access to the Internet, five e-mailboxes with up to 50 MB per mailbox, no busy signals and 24X7 Technical Support!

**Start saving today – call (610) 826-6650 and ask us to include  
YOU in the Val-YOU Package!**

### Can you beat this **BRAIN TEASER?**

**Palmerton Telephone is giving away a  
\$25 Gift Card to Roadies Restaurant and Bar  
at Penn's Peak in Jim Thorpe, Pa.**

To enter, e-mail the correct answer to [ptelco@ptd.net](mailto:ptelco@ptd.net) or send a 3" x 5" index card to 465 Delaware Ave. Palmerton, PA 18071. Please include your name, address, daytime telephone number (to call only if you win), and the Brain Teaser answer. All entries must be received by **6/20/10**.

**Good Luck!**  
**Palmerton Telephone**



### Brain Teaser

A time when I'm green. A time when I'm brown. Both of these times cause you to frown. Just in between, for a very short while, I'm perfect and yellow and cause you to smile. What am I?