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Have you ever tried to explain to your grandchildren what life was like before cell phones? Mrs. Kathman's 5th grade science teacher at Nativity School, has tried only to receive looks of disbelief. Fifth graders have a difficult time thinking about a world without the technology they have grown up around. Because of this, Mrs. Kathman decided to join forces with the CLLE program and one of the founders, William Victor.. **Bill, a Deupree House resident, enjoyed a 40 year+ career at Cincinnati Bell retiring as a Senior Vice Presi-**

dent. With this background, he was just the person to share with the children his first-hand account of *Technology Thru the Ages*. Mr. Victor shared his view of technology related to communications. He demonstrated how technology has changed how we communicate with one another. He even brought examples of a telegraph and a rotary phone for the children.

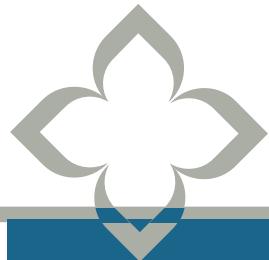


A rotary phone for demonstration

Bill prepared a powerpoint presentation with the help of his staff liaison. The presentation walked the children through changes in communication from the times of smoke signals to new release of the iPhone 4S. He helped the student see that technology changed the way we communicate by facilitating mass communication and no longer being limited by those we could see and hear. One of the highlights was putting technology to the test. Bill showed a YouTube video answering the question: What is faster, a text message or a telegraph? Which one do you think would be faster? If you guessed the telegraph, you are correct. The students enjoyed this session and now understand the evolution of technology better than a textbook could ever detail.



Mr. Victor sharing his view of technology thru the ages



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