

In Touch

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We make a bigger
difference when we

give
together.



Support charities of your choice during the Team Bell Giving Campaign

The 2021 Team Bell Giving Campaign runs from November 8 to 26. We invite you to join team members and retirees from across the country and help us give back to communities.

The COVID-19 crisis has been difficult for everyone, but for those in need – and the charities that support them – it's been especially challenging. Through the Team Bell Giving Campaign, you can donate to charities of your choice by credit card or deductions from your pension payments.

How to donate

Access the online giving tool at Bell.benevity.org to make your donations. If you need a login name and password to access the tool, please email giving@bell.ca for assistance or call the Giving Program team at 1-866-670-8800.

If you are already participating in the Bell Giving program with deductions from your pension payments, your donations will automatically renew for 2022

unless you contact the Giving Program team at giving@bell.ca or make a change directly in the online tool.

Track your volunteer hours

If you give back to your community by volunteering, you can track your volunteer time and earn digital badges using the Bell.benevity.org tool. By doing so, you'll have a chance to win \$100 to donate to the charity of your choice. Volunteer time can be logged going back to January 1, 2021.

Apply for a volunteer team grant

Bell is offering team grants of \$1,000 to support your preferred registered Canadian charities.

To be eligible, your team must have 3 or more Bell retirees and/or team members who have registered a combined 30 volunteer hours for the same organization in the online giving tool. You can be part of 3 different team grant applications per calendar year.

Every action counts

Some advantages to donating through the Team Bell Giving Campaign include:

- Donations from pension payments are automatically included on your tax forms at year-end. Tax receipts for donations made by credit card can be downloaded easily from the online giving tool.
- You can give to any registered charity for as little as \$1 per pension payment.
- You can access the online giving tool at any time throughout the year to make changes to your donations.

- ➕ To apply, complete the online application before December 15 at Bell.ca/teamgrant or contact the Giving Program Team at 1-866-670-8800.



Around the country

Accelerating our network leadership across the country



Bell is rolling out pure fibre Internet connections to more homes and businesses in rural areas throughout Manitoba, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Québec. The announcements are part of our [accelerated capital investment plan](#) that is bringing new fibre, 5G and Wireless Home Internet network service to cities, suburbs and rural locations. To learn more about Bell's buildout program, please visit Bell.ca/connectcanada.

Manitoba



Manitoba's Pembina Valley

Bell MTS is expanding its all-fibre network to about 4,500 homes in the Pembina Valley region, including communities of Altona, Plum Coulee, Emerson and Morris. In addition, Bell MTS has nearly completed the fibre rollout in Morden, with Gigabit Fibe Internet, Whole Home Wi-Fi and Fibe TV service planned for approximately 3,300 homes by the end of this year.

New Brunswick



Memramcook and St. Martins

We're bringing fibre to about 2,900 locations in the New Brunswick villages of Memramcook and St. Martins by the end of 2021.

Nova Scotia



Barrington Passage and Brass Hill

We've announced fibre rollouts in the small Nova Scotia communities of Barrington Passage and Brass Hill, with service for more than 1,000 locations.

Québec



Bell fibre for 7 more Québec communities

Bell is rolling out broadband Internet connections throughout Québec with wireless, fibre and rural Wireless Home deployments. Recent Bell fibre rollout projects include Côte-de-Beaupré and Île d'Orléans, Saguenay-Lac-Saint-Jean region, Rawdon, Roxton Pond, Sainte-Adèle and Saint-Honoré-de-Témiscouata.



Bell news

October 12

Bell team completes major undersea cable replacement in the Bay of Fundy

Bell's teams collaborated to replace a significant section of undersea cable that extends from New Brunswick to Nova Scotia. Bell teams collaborated with a professional ocean dive unit to locate and replace a 30-year-old fibre cable damaged by land erosion. The new cable, laid and spliced using a specialized ship, is a critical piece of fibre infrastructure supporting Internet and voice services to communities across Atlantic Canada. To learn more about the project, please watch Bell's Instagram video on [instagram.com/bell](https://www.instagram.com/bell).



September 21

Bell 5G and TikTok bring creators together with Paint Portal augmented reality effect

Bell is collaborating with [TikTok Canada](#) to enable real time interactive creative experience for users. With Paint Portal, a new 5G multi-user augmented reality (AR) experience, the TikTok community can paint together

while physically apart, powered by Canada's most awarded and fastest-ranked 5G network.

August 12

Bell welcomes Federal Court decision against illicit set-top box providers

Bell welcomed a ruling by the Federal Court of Canada that orders a group of set-top box retailers to shut down operations and pay close to \$30 million in damages and costs for making content available without authorization and inducing Canadians to access that content illegally.

August 12

Bell 5G powers Tiny Mile food delivery robots in downtown Toronto



Bell is working with Canadian startup [Tiny Mile](#) to provide 5G connectivity for its growing fleet of food delivery robots in downtown Toronto. Bell 5G will enable faster GPS, sensor and video data feedback for remote operation of the bright pink robots – which are all called “Geoffrey” in honour of Artificial Intelligence pioneer Geoffrey Hinton of the University of Toronto.

July 29

Bell extends 5G leadership with additional high-value 3500 MHz wireless spectrum

Bell has acquired significant additional mid-band, flexible-use 3500 MHz wireless spectrum in the recently concluded auction by Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada. Essential to Canada's ongoing transition to 5G communications, these high-capacity airwaves unleash the full potential of Bell's 5G advantage, extending Bell's leadership in delivering enhanced 5G digital experiences to Canadian consumers and businesses in urban, rural and remote communities.

July 19

Virgin Mobile Canada is now Virgin Plus



Virgin Mobile Canada has officially rebranded to Virgin Plus, a new name and identity that reflects the company's evolving service offerings beyond mobility. These service offerings include internet and app-based TV service for Members in Ontario and Québec and, for all Members across Canada, the hottest new phones, value-packed phone plans, award-winning customer service, and Member Benefits.



BCE shares	
Closing price November 2, 2021 \$63.86	Low November 6, 2020 \$52.52
High September 13, 2021 \$67.08	

 For information on Bell products and services, please go to Bell.ca or call **310-BELL**.



In the community

Bell Let's Talk Community Fund recipients

In 2021, 113 organizations received funding from the Bell Let's Talk Community Fund. Some of them are delivering important care to senior populations:

- In Edmonton, the Canadian Mental Health Association will expand its Multicultural Seniors Outreach program, which supports 13 ethnocultural communities.
- Rural Ottawa South Support Services will expand their Friendly Voice project to southwestern Ontario, providing telephone

support service for lonely seniors in rural areas.

- The Geriatric Hospital Foundation of Montréal will offer individual sessions from a geriatric psychotherapist to 200 seniors and provide training for health care staff.
- The Victorian Order of Nurses in Halifax will provide mental health training to staff who are providing at-home nursing care, meals on wheels and other services for local seniors.



Bell Let's Talk has now awarded 888 grants since the initiative's launch in 2011.

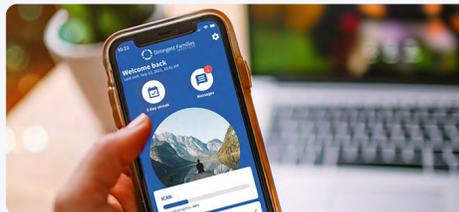
- + To learn more about ongoing Community Fund projects, visit Bell.ca/LetsTalk.

Podcast on mental health in BIPOC communities



The new Bell Let's Talk podcast From Where We Stand: Conversations on Race and Mental Health highlights the experience of Black, Indigenous and People of Colour (BIPOC) communities. Launched by Bell Let's Talk and iHeartRadio, the podcast brings in BIPOC mental health professionals so we can better understand the impact of life experience on mental health and the support available. You can subscribe to the podcast on [iHeartRadio](https://www.iheart.com/podcast/1069-from-where-we-stand/) and other major podcasting platforms.

New app from Strongest Families Institute



Bell Let's Talk supported the Strongest Families Institute (SFI) in launching a secure mobile app that expands services for clients in remote communities by providing mental health coaching and resources for families in need of mental health support.

SFI expects the app will enable them to reach an additional 13,000 Canadians over the next 15 months, helping to meet the increased demand for mental health support due to the COVID-19 crisis. Bell Let's Talk support for the project was part of the \$5 million in urgent funding provided to 5 frontline organizations in March 2020.



Bell Let's Talk Day 2022 is January 26

On Wednesday, January 26, Canadians and people everywhere are invited to help make the world's largest conversation on mental health even bigger. As in past years, Bell will donate an additional 5 cents to Canadian mental health initiatives for every eligible call, text message and social media interaction throughout the day.

Bell Let's Talk Day 2021 set new records for engagement with 159,173,435 messages of support driving nearly \$8 million more in Bell donations for mental health. With more than \$121 million in Bell Let's Talk funding committed so far, we're on track to exceed our target of Bell contributing \$155 million to Canadian mental health programs by 2025.





Your pension

FINAL REMINDER: Pension entitlement certification

To ensure pension benefits are made to the right people, Bell asks a select group of pensioners to validate their personal information by completing an annual pension audit each year in May.

If you received a reminder dated September 24, 2021 asking you to complete the 2021 audit, please respond **as soon as possible** to ensure continuous payment of your pension for the coming months.

Please note that you can do it online by visiting [Bell.ca/mybenefits](https://bell.ca/mybenefits) and click on **Pensioner Audit tool** in the third bullet point under the section "How to login". Your password has been provided in the audit letter and reminders.

+ If you need help accessing the online tool, please contact the Benefits Administrator at **1-888-400-0661**, Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. eastern time.

Your retiree card available on the Benefits site

To help you take advantage of discounts and offers with our participating retailers and business partners, a retiree ID card with your name, employee number, and retirement date is now available.

Select Bell retiree card from under the Quick links tab on the Benefits site ([Bell.ca/mybenefits](https://bell.ca/mybenefits)) to print your card.

New members on Pension Information Committee

**Michael James Peacocke
and Bernard Barbeau to
represent Bell pensioners**

Bell's Pension Information Committee (PIC) works with our Finance and HR teams to provide retirees and team members with clear information about financial and administrative aspects of the Bell Canada Pension Plan.

Following nominations earlier this summer, the following pensioners will join the committee to represent Bell pensioners starting in January 2022:

- Ontario and Western Canada
Michael James Peacocke
(substitute: Mary Lynne Forestell)
- Québec and Atlantic Canada
Bernard Barbeau
(substitute: Alain Bourdon)

The committee also includes members elected by Bell managers and appointed by Unifor. The Pension Information Committee was established in 1988 to ensure Bell Canada Pension Plan members can obtain access to clear information about the financial, actuarial and administrative aspects of the plan.

+ For more information, please see the full 2021 PIC report at <https://bce.ca/assets/in-touch/november-2021/PIC-report-2021-en.pdf>.

Plan B monthly health care premiums to increase January 1

If you are currently paying for Bell's Plan B health care program for your dependents, please note that the monthly premium will increase by \$1.25 to \$43.75, effective January 1, 2022.

The next premium review will take place January 1, 2023 and will continue each year in January going forward. Any required changes will be noted on your annual pension and benefits retiree statement.

Your taxable benefits and pension income will be adjusted accordingly.

Helping keep costs down

Prescription drugs represent the largest costs to the health plan. You can help keep costs down and minimize future premium increases by discussing the lowest-cost treatment options with your medical practitioner and pharmacist.

Submit your benefits claims online

For enhanced speed and convenience, all claims can be submitted online through the Manulife plan member website at www.manulife.ca/signin. Once your account is set up, notifications will be sent by email and your claim will be paid directly into your bank account within 1 to 5 business days.

+ If you have any questions, please contact Manulife at **1-800-268-6195**.



A voice for retirees

Created 25 years ago by Bell retirees, the Bell Pensioners' Group (BPG) is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to the interests of Defined Benefit (DB) pension holders and their postretirement benefits (as applicable).

BPG closely monitors developments in pension legislation and regulations across Canada and actively participates in policy debates that might affect members.

Why join BPG?

BPG is recognized within the pension stakeholder community and with various levels of government as a well-informed and credible advocate for DB pensioners.

As a BPG member, you will enjoy access to a wealth of information in our newsletters, on the [BPG website](#) and [Facebook page](#), and at meetings organized by chapters in Ontario, Québec and Atlantic Canada.

The BPG relies on more than 100 volunteers to support its national board and 7 local chapters by participating on committees or helping with administration.

Not yet a member? Please visit bellpensionersgroup.ca to register online or contact one of the chapters. There is a \$20 annual membership fee.

Membership extended

BPG is pleased to redistribute the equivalent of one year dues to all actual members in good standing for 2021, automatically extending their membership for one year. All new members joining in 2022 will get their membership extended as well.

Annual General Meetings

To ensure members stay safe during COVID-19, BPG held chapter Annual General Meetings (AGMs) virtually via Zoom in May and June. The AGM presentations including an overview of the Bell Pension Plan are available at bellpensionersgroup.ca.

+ Watch for meeting times and agendas at bellpensionersgroup.ca, and review the latest BPG newsletters available on the BPG website for additional details.

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Congratulations to our Giving Program volunteers



Ten volunteers are rewarded each month, here are our latest winners:

September

Elaine Doris Adamson
Gilles Chamberland
Carole Craig
Grace A. Delaronde
Jacqueline Hebert
Christine M. Lafleur-Pelletier
Jo-Anne C. Pelzer
Donna M. Poitras
Arnold E. Schlippert
Kenneth T. Wojnarski

August

Lise Croteau
Liette Ezri
Monique Laurin
Susan Leclair
Brenda J. Linski
Lucie Morin
Patricia A. Parkes
Jean Pelletier
Yves M. Rainville
M. Lynne Wilding

July

Nicole D. Béliveau
Gilles Chamberland
Peter Cohoe
Danièle Gauthier
David G. Milne
Jacqueline Morin
Monique Scheffer
Toni Squires
Lise Vaillancourt
Margo E. Weiler



Retiree life

The desire to share

Nothing stops Rachel Berthiaume from helping those most in need.

Bell retiree Rachel Berthiaume has been volunteering with the *Centre amitié de solidarité internationale de la région des Appalaches* (CASIRA) since the mid-2000s. Based in Thetford Mines, a suburb of Québec City, this international charitable organization has been providing humanitarian aid to developing countries for more than 40 years.

Working in developing nations

Working with the CASIRA, Rachel has been to Africa, Central America and Asia lending support to non-government organizations such as schools, health care centres, orphanages and daycares. “I have participated in 12 missions in various countries, including Guatemala, Madagascar and Myanmar,” says Rachel. “It could involve doing all kinds of work or contributing to key projects.”



Rachel is working on the construction of a wall surrounding a dispensary and school for young girls in Madagascar.

The Québec resident clearly remembers her first mission in Guatemala in 2006. “I arrived in Guatemala City without knowing a word of Spanish. I had to quickly find a way to make myself understood, as I had to supervise the work of 7 people who spoke only Spanish.”

The mission she carried out in Madagascar deeply moved her, because of the extreme poverty. “Upon returning home, I reflected on it for days. It was hard for me to live in such abundance after an experience like that.”



Rachel holds a Malagasy child during a mission in Madagascar.

Providing support from home

CASIRA also ships about 10 containers of personal items to disadvantaged people Guatemala and Paraguay, including dishes, pots, utensils, toys, clothing and shoes. “We get our supplies from recycling depots that send us their surplus. We also work with the Réno-Jouets organization, which refurbishes toys.”

Items are meticulously sorted at the CASIRA warehouse in Saint-Romuald with 250 large bags and 550 boxes packed into each container, along other items such as small furniture and bicycles.

COVID-19, of course, put a damper on things, but the team was able to adapt and continue. “Humanitarian missions are suspended until further notice, but we are still sending containers,” explains Rachel, who devotes between 15 and 20 hours to CASIRA each week. “We installed Plexiglas screens in the warehouse to make sure our volunteers are safe.”

Give in Order to Receive

Also a volunteer at the Maison Michel-Sarrazin, which provides end-of-life care, Rachel says volunteering enriches her life. “In reality, disadvantaged people and those at the end of their lives teach me how to live. We often believe that disadvantaged people must be unhappy, but that is not the case. However, it is shocking for those of us living in abundance to see how some people have difficulty accessing items as basic as utensils.”



Some of the volunteers. From left to right, top row: Denis Ratté, Marc Pelletier, Denis Gagnon, Rachel Berthiaume and Mario Gourde. Bottom row: Michel Bédard, Yves Desmarais and Louise Caya.

+ Bell retirees who would like to donate time to CASIRA (casira.org) can learn more by visiting Bell.benevity.org.

+ If you, or other retirees you know, have found interesting ways to enjoy retirement, we would like to hear from you. Please write to us at intouch@bell.ca or at 1, carrefour Alexander-Graham-Bell, A-4, Verdun (Québec) H3E 3B3.



Your home and auto insurance plan is generating a surplus distribution

The home and auto insurance plan for eligible Bell retirees* and team members has performed extremely well over the past few years and has generated a surplus.

Bell retirees who were holding a home and/or auto insurance policy as of August 31, 2021 with The Personal are eligible for this profit sharing.

In addition to taking advantage of preferred rates, all participants of the plan will receive **\$125 per auto policy** and **\$100 per home policy**.

Payments will be made this month to eligible participants according to their current payment method for their insurance policies.

* Bell Canada pensioners who retired with at least 80 points at age 55 or older. Pensioners from participating companies who retired after November 28, 2003 with at least 80 points at age 55 or older. New: If you left Bell after January 1, 2021, you are also eligible provided you were 55 or over with at least 15 years of net credited service. You are not eligible if your departure from Bell was the result of a termination for cause.

Bell and The Personal: A partnership that delivers tangible benefits

This year, The Personal will be distributing a total of \$6.8 million to participants of the Bell home and auto insurance plan. Because a great partnership is one where everyone wins!

Enjoy preferential rates

The Personal offers eligible Bell retirees*, team members and their dependents comprehensive coverage and exclusive group rates.

 To get a home or auto insurance quote, visit www.thepersonal.com/bell or call 1-888-476-8737.

Bell retiree benefits site



Please visit Bell.ca/mybenefits to access:

- Self-serve features for updating contact and banking information
- The PIC report
- The Bell newsletter *In Touch*, including the latest discount offers for retirees

If this is your first visit or you experience issues logging in, please contact the Benefits Administrator at **1-888-400-0661** to establish a temporary password.

Jean de Grandpré turns 100 years old



Jean de Grandpré, former chief executive, turned 100 years old on September 14. To mark the occasion, Bell's current CEO Mirko Bibic awarded Mr. de Grandpré an honorary Bell Bravo award.

Joining Bell in 1966 as General Counsel, Mr. de Grandpré held progressively senior leadership positions at the company and became CEO and Chair of the Board in 1976, playing a key role in the creation of BCE in 1983. He guided Bell through a transformative period in our history that included the launch of mobile phone services, the introduction of fibre optics technology and the rise of personal computers.

Renowned for his mentorship of future Bell leaders, Mr. de Grandpré often said "It is the people that make the company." He is a Companion of the Order of Canada, Chancellor Emeritus of McGill University, a lifetime member of the Canadian Bar Association and a member of the Bar of Québec. His biography, *L'héritage d'un géant*, was published in 2019.



Retirements

These Bell team members have agreed to announce their retirement and years of service in the newsletter.

Ontario

Patricia C. Armstrong, Hamilton, 42 years, 9 months

Robert J. Barker, Brampton, 42 years, 6 months

Elaine Borland, Georgetown, 34 years, 4 months

Raymond E. Bourdon, Ottawa, 42 years, 2 months

Patricia L. Broersma, Oshawa, 32 years, 9 months

Gary Brown, Oakville, 30 years

William Chen, Vaughan, 22 years, 5 months

Pedro Dasilva, Brampton, 21 years

Beverly R. Fennema, Brantford, 44 years

Sharon Fisher, Brighton, 24 years, 4 months

Kelly Forbes, Toronto, 42 years, 9 months

Bradley G. Forster, Toronto, 32 years, 4 months

Wayne Jennings, Strathroy, 40 years, 6 months

Larry Pak Lung Kwong, Markham, 19 years, 1 month

Charles Marlatt, Long Sault, 20 years, 10 months

Donna Marshall, Mississauga, 5 years, 4 months

Patricia E. Moulton, Brooklin, 32 years, 2 months

Peter Nebelung, Mississauga, 23 years, 2 months

Mike Occomore, Burlington, 37 years, 4 months

Alfred J. Putre, Toronto, 44 years, 3 months

Allan Reid, Stoney Creek, 24 years, 4 months

William Roberts, London, 24 years, 5 months

Deanna Roy, St. Charles, 33 years, 9 months

Dane Sheldon, Highgate, 23 years, 4 months

Catherine Sims, Peterborough, 23 years, 3 months

Arlene Stafford-Wilson, Ottawa, 21 years, 7 months

Ronald Wharton, Vaughan, 26 years, 6 months

Québec

Louise Barbeau, La Prairie, 35 years, 6 months

Julie Beauchesne, Sainte-Marguerite-du-Lac-Masson, 34 years, 2 months

Yves Bédard, Blainville, 32 years, 2 months

Lisette Boucher, Saint-Jean-sur-Richelieu, 20 years, 7 months

Robert Chagnon, Roxboro, 39 years, 2 months

Jacques Chamberland, Candiac, 33 years, 2 months

Germain Charron, Anjou, 41 years, 9 months

Patrice Daoust, L'Ange-Gardien, 33 years, 10 months

Gina Delledonne, Saint-Bruno, 20 years, 8 months

Pina Di Capua Brunetta, Notre-Dame-de-l'Île-Perrot, 27 years, 1 month

Johanne Dubord, Anjou, 26 years, 10 months

Benoit Durocher, Verdun, 39 years, 6 months

Pierre Durocher, Saint-Joseph-du-Lac, 41 years, 9 months

Diane Falardeau, Laval, 25 years, 11 months

Francine Fontaine, Montréal-Nord, 40 years, 5 months

Diane Gadoury, Sainte-Dorothée, 35 years, 1 month

Jean-Claude Gamache, Repentigny, 33 years, 2 months

Lucie Gauthier, Longueuil, 25 years, 9 months

Alain Gauvin, Pointe-des-Cascades, 36 years, 10 months

Danielle Giroux, Verdun, 43 years, 5 months

Michel Grenier, LaSalle, 24 years, 4 months

Manon Houde, Laval, 40 years, 3 months

Jacques Lacroix, Westmount, 22 years, 3 months

Denis Laurion, Longueuil, 39 years, 8 months

Nicolas Mital, Chambly, 27 years, 1 month

Jocelyn Perron, Verdun, 36 years, 8 months

Linda Renaud, Sainte-Thérèse, 40 years

Francine Tellone, Saint-Lazare, 21 years, 11 months

Alberta

Gary Buffam, Calgary, 38 years

British Columbia

Gordon Sutherland, Fernie, 21 years, 1 month



Obituaries

Our most sincere
condolences to families
and friends.

Ontario

Winnifred Allen, August 19,
Ottawa

Evelyn Allison, August 15,
Brantford

Albert E. Andrews, June 17,
Stayner

Robert G. Ascott, April 20,
Barrie

Audrey I. Ashton, June 13,
Etobicoke

B. Joan Baley, July 22, Sarnia

K. J. Dale Barr, June 6,
Sault Ste. Marie

Theresa L. Beaton, July 28,
Toronto

Gary C. Beaune, July 4,
Scarborough

Gerry L. Beebe, August 31,
Georgetown

Martha W. Bell, July 3,
Peterborough

Joseph M. Belliveau, June 29,
Ottawa

Leslie Bencze, June 18,
London

Olga Bijan, July 14, Toronto

Richard J. Blinn, July 31,
Thunder Bay

Lymand E. Bowen, August 27,
Picton

Jeanette J. Bratton-Ellis,
January 2, Toronto

Robert A. Brown, July 5,
Niagara Falls

Elizabeth Burgess, August 17,
Pembroke

Mary Cameron, May 25, Ajax

Anna G. Carman, July 16,
Thornhill

Linda D. Colangelo, August 27,
North York

James R. Colclough, August 11,
London

Lisa Ann C. Cooke,
September 4, Hillsdale

Elsie J. Dafoe, August 23,
Dundas

Paskalis Dallas, June 3,
Withby

Olga Danyluk, September 10,
2019, Unionville

Edwin J. Devenish, August 9,
Scarborough

Frederick G. Diehl, May 23,
Stratford

Mary P. Dowling, June 23,
Toronto

Ed G. Elliott, July 22, Barrie

Madeline Farrow, August 4,
Oshawa

June G. Ferry, August 18,
Etobicoke

Frank Fish, July 17, Burlington

Peter W. Flaro, July 24,
Cornwall

Ian H. Fowler, June 10,
Brampton

Dimitra Fragis, April 11,
Scarborough

Garry W. Fusick, June 12,
St. Marys

Deanna L. Gibb, June 16,
Maryhill

Allan Gilbert, August 29,
Kanata

Guy Godard, August 18,
Ottawa

Rita A. Goodfriend, July 9,
Kingston

Carlton G. Grant, July 19,
Richmond Hill

Rae V. Griffiths,
February 13, 2020,
Mississauga

Mary Hall, July 10,
Gloucester

Douglas A. Hammar, August 1,
Willowdale

Dulari Harrichand, July 15,
Scarborough

Robin F. Harrison, August 23,
Simcoe

Samuel J. Harrison, June 4,
Waterloo

Albert Harrott, July 22,
Wellington

Dorothy Hartleib, June 19,
Kitchener

Betty C. Hodgins, June 5,
Newmarket

Muriel Holden, August 21,
London

Alexander C. Horne, July 10,
Scarborough

William G. Hughes, August 21,
Kingston

Debra A. Johnson, June 13,
Hamilton

Doreen M. Johnson, August 11,
Paris

Donald B. Kaufman,
August 10, Kitchener

Robert Kerr, July 10, Athens

Madat C. Keshavjee, June 26,
Unionville

Teri Kippen, July 20,
St. Catharines

Patricia M. Kirisits, August 9,
Scarborough

Albert T. Koostachin, July 17,
Peawanuck

Dwynwen Kovacs, June 21,
London

Edward Laszutko, July 11,
London

Susan P. Leatham, June 22,
Oakville

Cyril Leclair, August 19,
Sudbury

Thomas Levely, June 30,
Hamilton

Raymond H. Lo, August 6,
Markham

Merlyn Luke, August 11,
Whitby

Ghislaine Mac Lennan,
June 19, Nepean

John A. MacDonald,
August 12, Brockville

Lilly Marchand, August 9,
Hamilton

Malvern A. Martindale,
June 26, Toronto

Michael A. Marvell, July 9,
Chatham

Ronald McFarland, April 21,
Peterborough

Robert McLachlan, July 28,
Ottawa

Robert C. McLaren, July 16,
Orillia

Terry P. McLean, March 27,
Peterborough

Morris Mehlenbacher, July 11,
Orillia

Myra Mikitenko, August 19,
Etobicoke

Marguerite Morris, July 25,
Pickering

Diane Morrison, June 22,
Rockland

Diane J. Mortson, June 30,
Etobicoke

Kenneth Mullin, July 20,
Willowdale

David E. Murray, June 3,
Melbourne

Allen E. Nelson, July 6,
Hamilton

Robert T. Ness, August 26,
Niagara Falls

Alice O. Nichols, August 20,
Thunder Bay

Lloyd T. Norton, June 30,
Burlington

Leonard J. Notaro, July 4,
Whitby

Julian Ottoson, August 6,
Timmins

R. Bruce Patterson,
August 29, Russell

James H. Pattison, July 24,
Courtice

Mauro Pavia, September 16,
Woodbridge

Ruth D. Pickett, July 27,
Hampton

Elizabeth A. Potts, March 23,
Toronto

Peter N. Regan, June 16,
London

Dorothy V. Reynolds, June 24,
Toronto



Obituaries (cont'd)

Matthew Riley, July 31,
Ottawa

Norman J. Robertson,
July 28, Burlington

Carol Roche, June 2, Toronto

Denis Rochon, June 30,
Gloucester

Marion N. Savage, June 23,
Ottawa

Kenneth Schermerhorn,
July 21, Bowmanville

George Sekouledes, June 16,
Ajax

David E. Service, August 24,
Toronto

Elsie Simpson, July 29,
Toronto

Margaret E. Simpson,
May 24, Goderich

Keith P. Sims, August 22,
Fergus

Reginald L. Skinner, July 23,
Orillia

Frances M. Smith, June 14,
Innisfil

Frank M. Smith, June 13,
Etobicoke

John Smith, June 20,
Newmarket

Molly E. Snable, July 28,
Peterborough

Doreen Stanton, May 7,
Toronto

Charlotte R. Steeves, June 8,
Newmarket

Peter H. Stevens, August 13,
Aylmer

Eric W. Tamminen, July 27,
Mississauga

Edward Taylor, July 2,
Mississauga

George S. Taylor, August 28,
Toronto

Verna J. Teacher, June 10,
Weston

Robert L. Toman, August 3,
Restoule

Robert H. Townsend, July 20,
Ottawa

Glenna D. Weston, July 18,
Mount Brydges

Janet M. Whittaker,
August 23, Alliston

Sharon M. Wilcox, June 24,
Bancroft

Lorna F. Wilson, July 10,
Brantford

Sandra J. Wunschirs, July 9,
Mississauga

Margaret Wyton, June 5,
Bramalea

Mohamed Yunes, June 9,
Brantford

Québec

Annette April, March 14,
Westmount

James Arie, July 16, Lachine

Raymond H. Beattie, April 11,
Pontiac

Thérèse Beaudoin, July 2,
Sherbrooke

Gilbert Beaulieu, June 13,
Danville

Yvon Bertrand, May 22,
Neuville

Laurent Bibeau, July 2,
Verdun

**Normande Bouchard
Gonthier**, June 5, Chicoutimi

André Boulianne, July 9,
Clermont

Adrienne Bourdon,
September 1, Laval

Lise Bureau, June 23,
Repentigny

Michel Chaput, June 18,
Saint-Eustache

Madeleine M. Charbonneau,
July 26, Boucherville

Claude Coderre, August 8,
Longueuil

Lorraine Decotret, July 2,
Brownsburg-Chatham

Roger Desautels,
December 29, 2019,
Notre-Dame-de-l'Île-Perrot

Ghislaine Doré, July 29,
Saint-Jérôme

Claude Duguay, June 20,
La Malbaie

William D. Dunn, July 27,
Sherbrooke

Christiane Fontaine, July 14,
Frontenac

Diane Rita Fontaine Houde,
July 10, Gatineau

Michel J. Forest, June 20,
Montréal-Nord

Réjeanne Gaudreau, June 26,
Saint-Jérôme

Howard Gibbs, July 26,
Châteauguay

Annie T. Gonidec, July 30,
Verdun

Bernadette Hamel, August 16,
Saint-Denis-de-Brompton

Diane Harvey, June 18,
Val-d'Or

Richard Hornby, August 16,
Georgeville

Roger Houle, May 31,
Longueuil

Pauline Joyal, August 24,
Drummondville

Joseph Kennedy, May 29,
Sainte-Anne-de-Bellevue

Anne-Marie Laferrière,
June 8, Québec City

Patrice Lavoie, August 19,
Saint-Honoré

Jean-Guy Lorange,
August 22, Brossard

Richard Mantha, July 8,
Notre-Dame-du-Laus

Hervé A. Martin, July 5,
Trois-Rivières

Jean Mayrand, June 25,
Brossard

Pierrette Mercier, May 31,
Sainte-Marthe-sur-le-Lac

Raymond Morin, June 14,
Maskinongé

François Nadeau, August 21,
La Prairie

Michel Paiement, July 29,
Sainte-Thérèse

Levi L. Perez, June 4,
Saint-Laurent

Robert H. Phaneuf, June 26,
Pincourt

Alain Portelance, August 30,
Blainville

Dario Rosato, July 4, Rivière-
des-Prairies

**Lise-Armande Rousseau-
Labrie**, July 27, Sainte-Julie

Claude G. Roy, July 4,
Pointe-aux-Trembles

Denis Roy, June 6,
Québec City

Mary Ryan, June 23,
Saint-Laurent

Jean-Paul Savard, July 1,
Québec City

Paul Sowiak, July 30,
Montréal

Henri Thiel, May 27, Montréal

Thérèse Turgeon, June 20,
Saint-Hubert

Elvin A. Turvey, August 1,
LaSalle

Gaëtane Valois, July 21,
Saint-Lambert

Yves Vanasse, July 17,
Gatineau

William H. Welburn, July 1,
Howick

British Columbia

W. Ferguson, June 6,
Courtenay

Prince Edward Island

Karen Fraser, August 9,
Charlottetown

United Kingdom

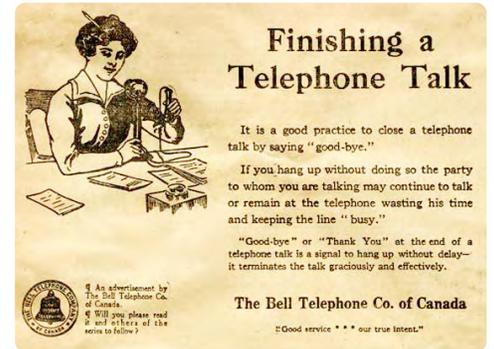
Ian Wheeler, July 29,
Maritime Quarter, Swansea



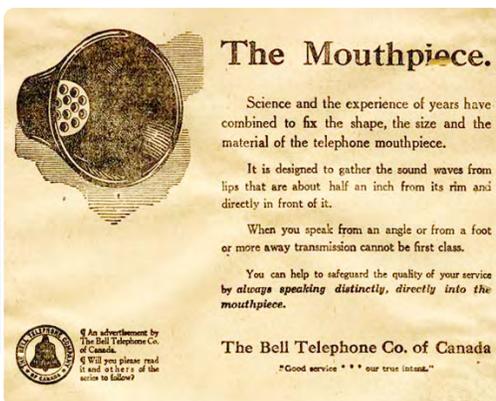
History and archives

This collection of vintage Bell print advertisements covers the years between 1914 and 1918, highlighting the evolution of Bell during the First World War and our technological advancements that were revolutionizing the way Canadians connected with each other and the world.

Print advertisements from the period highlight the “Pull-together” Spirit of the Bell team.



It offers helpful tips on telephone technology and etiquette (including tips on how to graciously end a “telephone talk”).



These ads tell subscribers how to take care of their phone.

1918 marked the end of WWI but is also remembered for the Spanish Influenza epidemic that began that year. As always, Bell team members rose to the challenge, with many working beyond their normal duties to keep up with the increased demand for our services and to relieve fellow workers who were ill.



Looking for stories from our retirees

We would like to know more about your working experience at Bell. Please complete this form and send it to archives@bell.ca.



Bell history pages

Please visit the [history section on BCE.ca](#) to learn more about key events from our 141 years as Canada’s communications leader.



Events

NOTE: Due to COVID-19, several Bell retiree associations have suspended activities. Please contact your association to confirm an activity is taking place before travelling.

Ontario

AGB Toronto Volunteers Retirees' Club

No volunteer activities are taking place at this time. Members will be notified by email when meetings can resume. Info: 416-489-2183. To join club, call Dorothy Roberts at 416-759-8778.

Canadian Pioneers Oshawa & District Club

Knitting fidget muffs, mitts, toques and baby blankets for different hospitals in

the area. Making comfort pillows for Lakeridge Health. To participate in projects, call Alice Gould at 905-723-1774. Monthly luncheons will resume when it is safe to do so.

Fieldway Bell Retirees Club (Mississauga, Etobicoke and area)

Members will be notified by email when meetings can resume. New website: www.fieldwaybell.ca. Information line: 416-516-8546. To join club, call Marg at 416-742-4395.

Québec

Montréal Bell Community Volunteers

Currently collecting pop-can tabs to help finance the purchase of the 418th wheelchair for Fondation Clermont Bonenfant as well as bread tags, and also used eyeglasses for an organization in Senegal. Please send your

donations to or drop them off at 1050 Beaver Hall Hill (1st basement, PO box 1SS14), c/o Lise Ouellet. Info: Lise Ouellet at 514-870-2569 or lise.ouellet3@sympatico.ca.

Sherbrooke Les Amis de la téléphonie

- Wednesdays (until December 15, resuming January 12) – Afternoon knitting (1 pm) and evening darts (7 pm) at 2615 Hertel in Sherbrooke.
- For more information, listen to the messages at 819-569-6905.

Employee Services

 1-888-391-0005

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Booklet of offers for Bell retirees

Remember to check the booklet of long-term offers sent by email with this edition of *In Touch*. You can also download the booklet by [clicking here](#). Please keep it on hand for future reference.

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