

# Gil Robillard wants steady growth for town

A steady progressive growth for Penetanguishene for the benefit of its citizens, is probably my main reason for letting my name stand for re-election to the mayor's seat on council.

It is hard to believe that 25 years have already gone by with my involvement in municipal politics on various boards, commissions and town council.

The last 14 years, when I first became mayor, have particularly been satisfying, because of the great many changes that we have all witnessed in our town that have been benefited every one in a variety of ways.

Fourteen years ago, there seemed to be so many "missing links" to getting the town going.

It was like putting a jigsaw puzzle together.

I always felt that Mayor Jerome Gignac, before his untimely death, had started to change the direction of the town.

He recognized the need for a sewage treatment plant as being one of the first priorities.

Curiously enough, the provision of adequate sewage facilities was also one of the conditions in getting our secondary school built in Penetanguishene - it was to be built in Midland and everyone would be bussed over there.

### Mayor

In 1966, I became mayor of Penetanguishene, and along with a very aggressive council (and a young clerk with the name of Y.A. Gagne), we embarked on a number of much needed programs, such as - An industrial park and housing developments (it was the chicken and egg dilemma; which one should we do first) - the need for low rental housing for senior citizens and low income families - New municipal offices (Remember the old one? a few extra people new buildings for fire and police -

and very important, the need for an official plan, because without one, the municipality would have never been able to apply (successfully) for many of the various government programs that eventually came along... (such as NIP and RRAP, etc.)

### Concern

Other areas of concern were also acted upon, such as the waterfront park...the expansion of our recreation services where new attitudes and goals were developed...The Water and Light Commission prepared for the many new developments...More new lighting every year...and very important, the acquiring of good resource people, both voluntary and professional, to work along with an administrative staff that is second to none.

Today, there are still a number of items that will need Action.

It will be necessary to actively promote a steady Industrial Growth and Employment opportunities.

Every effort should be made to pursue programs for the development of apprenticeship and skill training courses...as this helps to attract industry.

Our tourism potential must be developed to its fullest.

The natural resources of our bay and its waterfront should be the beginning of a new era in marina, motel-hotel use that should greatly add to the commercial development of our town...which in turn develops more job opportunities.

On the November 10th, 1980, I am asking the voters of Penetanguishene to consider my record and years of experience and have confidence enough to re-elect me as their mayor.

I, in turn, will make every effort, to develop those Programs that will ensure the "steady, progressive growth of Penetanguishene".



## Time to remember

At the 11th hour on the 11th day of the 11th month, in 1918, the war to end all wars stopped. On Nov. 11, citizens of Penetanguishene will join people

across the nation in remembering the men, women and children who died in that war and the three major wars since

## Election '80 Platform

# Ray Baker wants Penetanguishene to be 'friendly town' again

During '76 - '80 I've been chairman of police, fire, parks, and public works, various committees, plus Penetanguishene's seven year member of the area planning board.

This newspaper, CKMP, channels 12 and 13 TV have made you aware of my position on

the issues before council.

From '73 onwards my promise has been "I'll work hard and keep you informed" as part of your elected team. The same promise hold true today.

### THE GOOD NEWS

The town is good financially, its' depts.

are running smoothly, plans are in hand for north-end development, a waterfront hotel/motel, industrial growth and a five year goal on hard core services (drains sewers) to complete the town.

Housing starts are up, the town looks good with upgraded roads and homes. We need to keep pushing for industry and development.

### THE BAD NEWS

A \$1,000,000 headache. Money allocated for a separate French high school. I feel the SCBE were too quick in passing the decision to Queen's Park, who in turn did not explore all the options.

Spend the money in ESPSS and we have a bilingual facility we could all be proud of.

Spend it on a duplicate high school and you separate the children during their most formative years.

Let's get back to "Penetanguishene the friendly town" again, - together.

Best regards and thanks.

## Bazaar and luncheon planned by church

Tomorrow is the day First Presbyterian Church, Penetanguishene, will be holding their Bazaar and bake table. The bazaar will feature dozens of hand crafted items such as those displayed in the window of the Citizen office the past week.

In addition to the bazaar which runs from 7-9 p.m. tomorrow evening and 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Friday, there is the

church's "Souper Luncheon", which takes place on Friday.

From all accounts last year's luncheon was a smash success, so if you're interested in a delicious luncheon and some good company, hurry and get a ticket.

Tickets are two dollars and are sold in advance only. For information or tickets, call 526-7780.

# Ron Bellisle feels past experience would make him a good mayor for town

I would like to take this opportunity to ask for your support in the upcoming election on Nov. 10.

As you are aware I am seeking the position of mayor in Penetanguishene.

I have involved in municipal politics for the last six years having been successful in my first attempt in 1975.

During my six year term I enjoyed working for the people of this community.

I have taken a strong stand on many issues and feel that the positions I have taken represented the feelings of the majority of you the taxpayers of Penetanguishene.

I have been Chairman of Finance for the last three years as well as serving on the following Committees - Housing and Development, Planning Board, Area Planning Board, Public Safety, Arena Parks and Recreation, Industrial Commission, Hwv. 27 Steering Committee as well as numerous other sub committees of council such as Chairman of Salary negotiations this past year.

### Bilingual

I was born and raised in Penetanguishene of a bilingual background and left in 1959 to pursue a career in banking.

After seven years away from home, I felt the urge to return to Penetanguishene where I became involved in the Automotive Industry. I am now self employed and now find that I am able to dedicate the time required to fulfill my duties as Mayor if elected.

### Priority

I feel that the number one priority of the new elected council for the next two years is the seeking out of new industry for this area, so that the young people of our community do not have to leave this area to seek employment.

### Politics

Having been involved with all aspects of municipal politics, I am sure that if elected I can fulfill the duties of a mayor of Penetanguishene with dedication, common sense, sound judgment and hard work.

## Small Places on CKVR features your town

Penetanguishene was spotlighted for half an hour Saturday evening on CKVR television's Faces of Small Places program.

Much footage was shown of the Historic Naval and Military Establishments and the main street and town dock.

Town clerk Yvon Gagne gave a short history of the town, which was intercut with historical photographs and shots of modern Penetanguishene.

