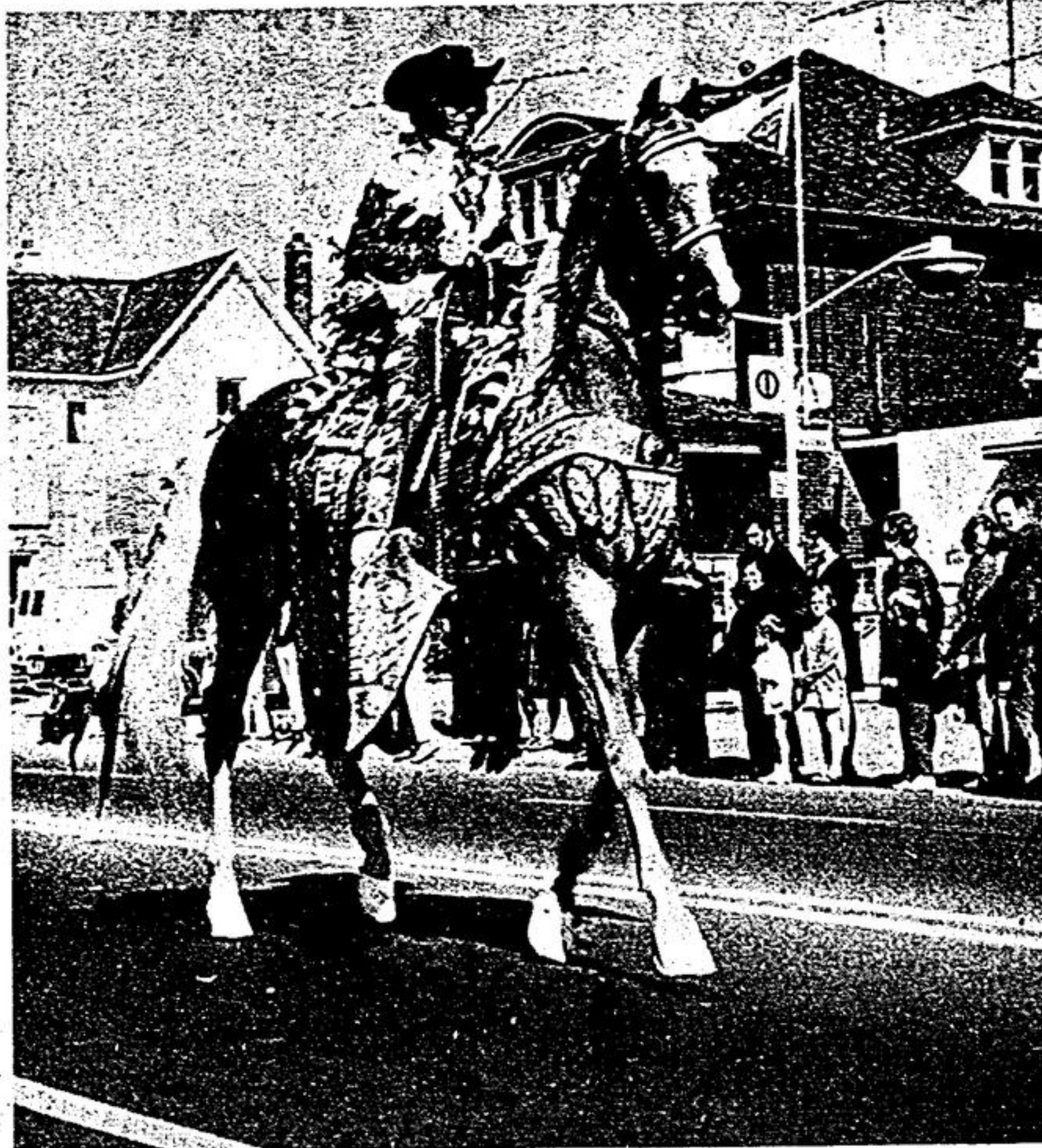


# Something for everyone at 114th annual Markham Fair



The 114th annual Markham Fair was the most successful on record. Competition in every class was of the highest calibre including the beef show. This prize-winner is from Almira Hereford Farms, R.R. 1, Unionville. The herdsman is Malcolm Keith. —Jas. Thomas



The mile-long parade, Sunday, was viewed by hundreds along the route. Leading the procession was Mrs. Betty Reeve aboard her beautiful Palomino 'Golden Nugget'. —Jas. Thomas



Fifteen year old Jeannie Hamill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Hamill, R.R. 1, Markham, was the high-point winner in the 18 and under class. A Grade 10 student at West Hill Collegiate, she scored three 1sts, five 2nds and two 3rds. —Jas. Thomas

## Editor's mail

### Daughter's suspension debated

Dear Sir,  
I would like to set the record straight on my recent correspondence with the School Board.  
On many occasions I have given various school principals authority to mete out any punishment they deem fit for any misbehavior by my children while under their authority. Because of this, and the firmness with which they are treated at home, I do not consider that my children have the makings of juvenile delinquents.  
The problem then, on the school bus, as I pointed out in my letter to the school board is in fact, a job in adequate supervision; between the authority of the school and of the home. There are obvious inherent dangers in expecting one person to supervise a bus with sixty children and at the same time negotiate their route safely in ever increasing traffic.  
My suggestion, to use older responsible students on each route as prefects or monitors, is not without precedent. For this reason they could no more be called spies or snitchers, as Mr. Chapman states; than teachers or older pupils supervising classes, playgrounds, or crosswalks, could be.  
Some of your readers may have received the impression that my 10 year old daughter, Deidre, is, or has the makings of, a juvenile delinquent. I can assure them such is not the case.  
There were two instances in which Deidre was involved and which led up to her, what I maintain was an illegal, suspension from the use of the school bus. The first was on April Fool's day, 1969. Whether she was the one selected to be made an example of, or whether she was the only one engaging in hijinks that day, I cannot say. My wife disciplined Deidre without

notifying me. The second, and last, incident occurred late in the same school term. This time it was brought to my attention. I visited Mr. Stover, the principal, to discuss the problem and seek a solution. Having lost two days work with pay, I condemned the system of not allowing the child on the bus as not being the answer. I still do, as I maintain the hardship and loss is placed on the parents not on the child.  
There was no provision on the '68-'69 cards for the parents signature. Mr. Stover was in error when he stated there was. I deeply resent the statement that I would sign such a card and then not honor my signature.  
As a taxpayer I am sadly aware of the ever increasing school taxes, and some of the seemingly frivolous uses to which these taxes are put and welcome the government's warning to School Boards to give more care and attention to the tax dollar.  
While Bylaw 37-1 of the Schools act gives authority to School Boards to provide transportation for pupils, it does not make provision for withdrawing such service on an individual or multiple basis.  
In closing, while I would rather have had a spirit of consideration and co-operation in this problem from Mr. Chapman, I'm afraid he has adopted more of a dictatorial attitude to date than anything else.  
I thank The Tribune for the coverage of the School Board's actions and with the continuous and worrisome upward spiral in taxes, I hope your paper can see its way to give greater coverage to the Board's meeting and activities.

Jim Kavanagh,  
Box 94, Markham

### Santa Claus parade

MARKHAM — Plans were unveiled before Markham Town Council, October 7, for a Santa Claus Parade, to be held Dec. 6. Sponsors are the Markham Chamber of Commerce.

Council was asked for a grant of \$750 to help defray the costs of obtaining bands.



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### Dogs slaughter 62 hens

PICKERING TWP. — Dogs aren't too popular in some parts of Pickering Township. Mrs. Martha McKenzie was fined \$50 and costs for permitting her dog or dogs to run at large when she appeared before J. P. William Murkar in Pickering Bylaw Court.

Bernard Van der Werf, 1937 Rosebank Road North, a neighbor, laid the charge, testifying that

62 hens, guinea hens, ducks and rabbits were killed by Mrs. McKenzie's police dogs in the past two weeks. He lost maybe 300 in the past two years. He is about to leave the township, and a new owner is going to occupy his premises — also in the poultry business.

Mrs. McKenzie said that she couldn't see how it could be proved that it was any of her 14 dogs.

She has had a kennel license for the past 10 years, and she declared under oath that they were never out of the pen unless she took them for a walk.

The accused said that it could be anybody's dogs that killed the chickens and rabbits. Or it could have been raccoons and foxes.

By the evidence given Mr. Murkar was convinced of the identity of the dogs.

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