

1997 Fair queen hopes to meet new people, have fun

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For Lori Howard the Markham Fair is an annual tradition that has been happening since she was a baby in a stroller.

Although she was raised on a farm in Newmarket, Howard has attended the fair as a spectator and, lately, as exhibitor.

This year, Howard decided to take another approach. In August, Howard decided to compete for

Fair Queen so she could try to meet new people, have fun and build her self-confidence.

"I wanted to do it, but I was scared. My friends and family really encouraged me."

The first process was easy. Howard called the fair office and sent in a completed entry form.

On September 19, things got a little tougher.

On that day Howard had an interview with three judges who asked personal and agricultural-based questions.

The actual competition fell on Saturday, where Howard and the other candidates had to stand up in front of everybody (including people who had come to the dance), introduce themselves and then tell something about themselves. They also had to answer a question spontaneously. This was to see how well the contestants spoke in public.



Lori Howard

"I got up and I thanked my sponsors, talked about my part-time job and 4-H and I can't remember what else I said because I got really, really nervous," she said.

The judges ask Howard what made Markham Fair such a success.

"I mentioned it was because it offered so many things geared towards so many people."

Howard said the fair wasn't just

for farmers, but had activities for children and teenagers as well.

Although she was nervous, her answers must have pleased the judges because she was crowned the winner.

"I was like 'what, really'. I wasn't expecting to win (fair) queen. I don't know anyone who really expects to win."

The OAC student said she hopes the experience as fair queen will improve her ability to communicate with people, while meeting many more.

And it has started already.

"People are saying 'hi' to me as soon as I put on the sash."

As fair queen Howard's duties will include greeting people as they come to the fair, handing out ribbons and judging events. She is also the ambassador for the CNE competition and will participate in different events throughout the year.

But for now, Howard is focusing on understanding

her duties and preparing for her responsibilities in the upcoming weeks. At the same time she is still working at the Upper Canada Sports Medicine Clinic and working towards her goal of becoming a veterinarian technician.

She will be busy.

Lori will be at the fair from 9:30 am to 10 pm daily.

MARKHAM 1997 MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS THE MARK OF EXCELLENCE NOMINATIONS

This notice is provided to candidates who are seeking election in the forthcoming Municipal Elections which will be held on November 10, 1997. Nomination Forms will be accepted for the following list of elected offices:

- Mayor** one (1) member to be elected by all of the electors in the Town of Markham.
- Regional Councillor** four (4) members to be elected by all of the electors in the Town of Markham
- Ward Councillors** eight (8) members to be elected, one each per Ward (Wards 1 to 8, inclusive) in the Town of Markham.
- Members of the Markham Hydro-Electric Commission** four (4) members to be elected by all of the electors in the Town of Markham
- Members for the English Language Public District School Board #16** (York Region Board of Education) four (4) members to be elected, one each per Area (Areas 1 to 4, inclusive) to represent the Town of Markham.
- Members for the English Language Separate District School Board #42** (York Region Roman Catholic Separate School Board) two (2) members to be elected, one each per Area to represent the Town of Markham
- Member for the French Language Public District School Board #58** one (1) member to represent North York, Scarborough, and York Region (excluding the municipalities of East Gwillimbury, Georgina and Newmarket).

Note: Please telephone the Clerk's Department of the Town of Markham regarding nominations for this office.

Member for the French Language Separate District School Board #64

one (1) member to represent York Region.

The term of office for these positions is 3 years, starting December 1, 1997 and ending November 30, 2000.

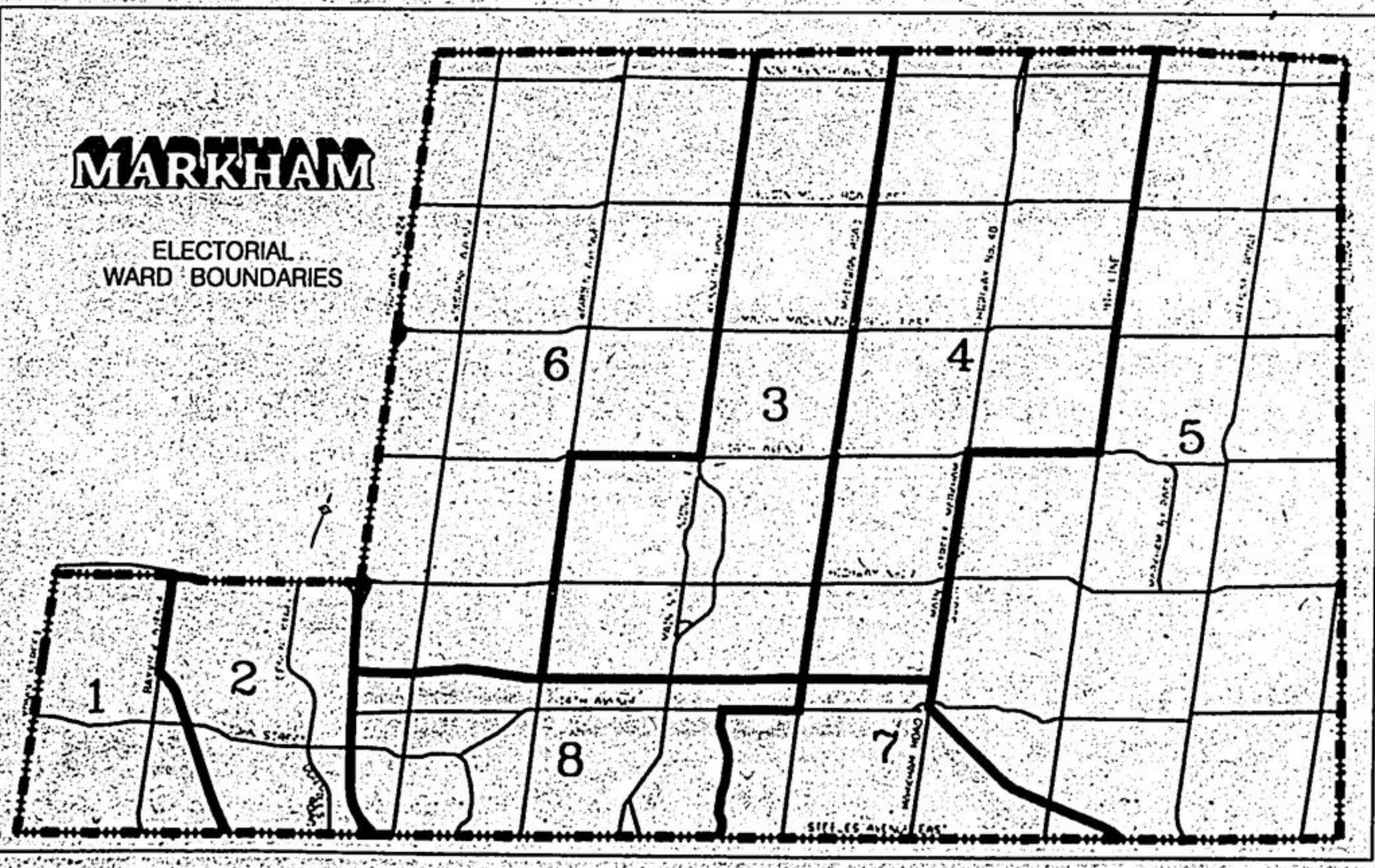
All candidates must be eligible to be qualified electors in order to be nominated. Information on qualifications may be obtained from the Town Clerk's Office.

Each Nomination Form, which is also available in the Town Clerk's Office, must be accompanied by a deposit, either a certified cheque (payable to the Town of Markham) or cash in the amount of \$100.

Anyone who wishes to become a candidate must file their Nomination Form **IN PERSON** at the Town Clerk's Office, Town of Markham, 101 Town Centre Blvd. (Highway #7 and Warden Ave.) during normal office hours Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The Last Date to file a Nomination Form is Friday, October 10, 1997, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Information related to these requirements or any other issues related to the municipal elections in the Town of Markham may be obtained from the Town Clerk's Office by calling 477-7000 ext. 227 or ext. 571.

Bob Panizza
Town Clerk and Returning Officer



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VOTERS' LIST

The 1997 Municipal Elections will be held on Monday, November 10, 1997.

In order to be eligible to vote in Markham, your name must be included in the Voters' List.

IS YOUR NAME ON THE 1997-VOTERS' LIST?

HOW DO YOU CHECK?

The following is a list of locations where the voters' list is available for viewing starting September 2, 1997:

1. TOWN OF MARKHAM, CIVIC CENTRE
101 Town Centre Blvd. (Warden Ave. and Highway #7)
2. THORNHILL COMMUNITY CENTRE LIBRARY, (Bayview Ave. & John St.)
3. THORNHILL VILLAGE LIBRARY, 10 Colbourne Street
4. UNIONVILLE LIBRARY, 15 Library Lane
5. MARKHAM COMMUNITY LIBRARY, (Highway #7 & Highway #48)
6. MILLIKEN MILLS LIBRARY, 7600 Kennedy Road

IF YOUR NAME IS NOT ON THE LIST, WHAT DO YOU DO?

In order to be on the Voters' List you must be qualified to be an elector in the Town of Markham.

QUALIFICATIONS OF AN ELECTOR:

- You must be 18 years of age on or before Election Day, November 10, 1997.
 - You must be a Canadian Citizen.
 - You must be a resident of the Town of Markham,
- or
- If you are not a resident of the Town, you must be an owner or tenant of land, or the spouse of an owner or tenant of land in the Town of Markham.

If you qualify and your name has been omitted from the Voters' List, or the information is incorrectly shown, please contact the Town of Markham Clerk's Department, telephone number 477-7000, ext. 571 or 309 and the appropriate application form will be mailed to you. Alternatively, you may visit the Clerk's Department at the Town Civic Centre, 101 Town Centre Blvd., Monday to Friday from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm to complete the necessary form.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE LAST DATE FOR FILING APPLICATIONS FOR ADDITIONS OR REVISIONS TO THE VOTERS' LIST IS MONDAY, NOVEMBER 10th, 1997.

B. Panizza,
Town Clerk and Returning Officer.