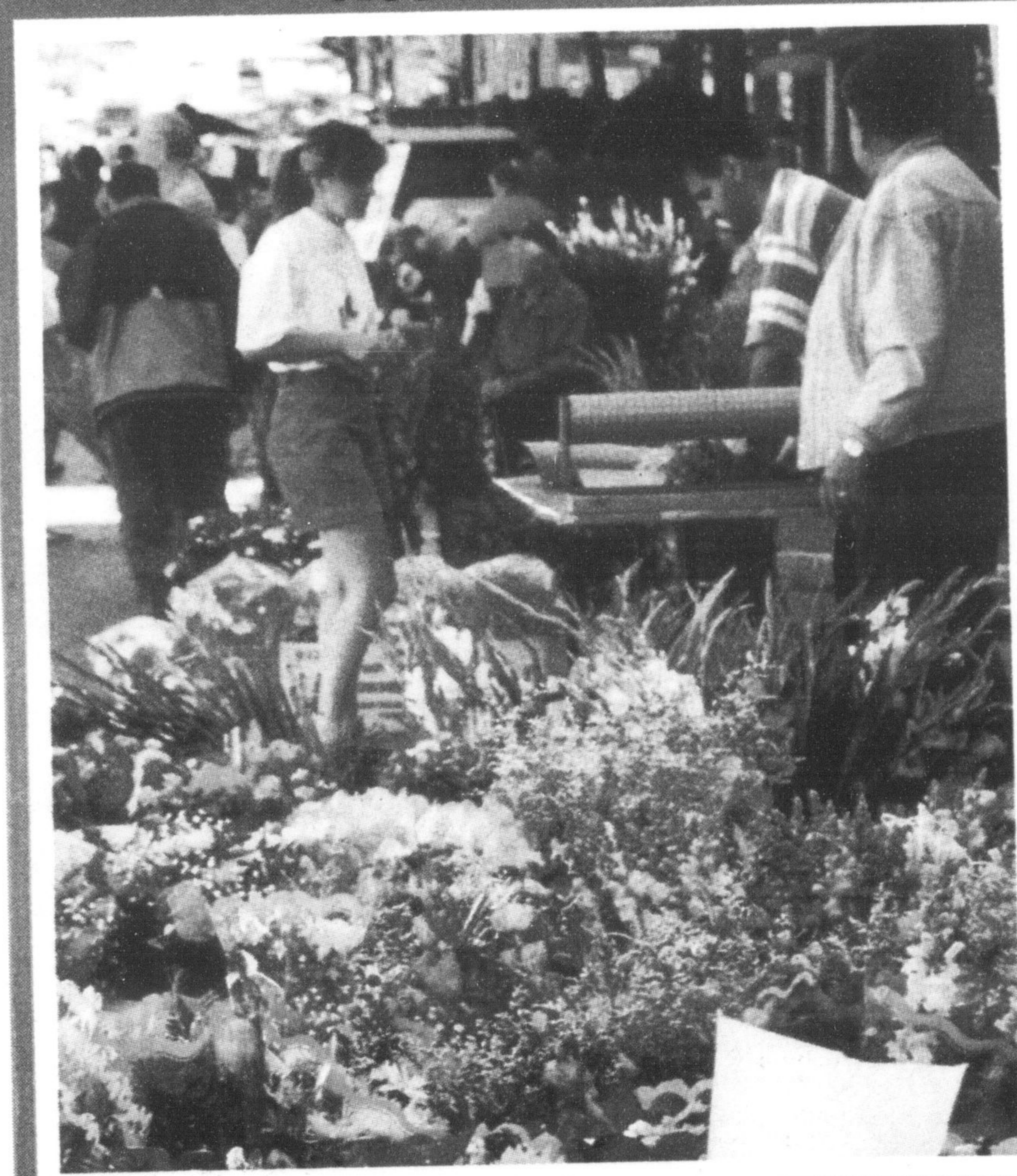


Drop in For Bacon on a Bun Saturday, May 18th The Milton Farmers' Market 7:00 am - Noon



The Milton Farmers' Market is celebrating 30 years of providing fresh farm produce to Milton. For the first 6 weeks of our 2002 Market Season we will be located in the Town Hall parking lot while Main Street is under construction.

Once construction is complete we will be back on a new Main Street every Saturday morning (until Halloween)!



Maybe we should wipe out booze and bad movies, too

I was distressed on Tuesday to read the letters section of The Champion and see not one letter condemning Councillor Rick Malboeuf and his smoking crusade, and no letter from him defending himself.

This has provided me weeks of entertainment and some good lessons in spin doctoring. I even go to the letters section now before the sports.

I covered a Town Hall meeting for The Champion in which people were allowed to voice their opinions to the Smoking Bylaw Review Committee, which was chaired by Mr. Malboeuf. I found him to be reasonable, intelligent, articulate and certainly likable.

He seemed quite different when I watched him on Cable 14 at a council meeting when they were having their vote on the recommendation of the committee. All of a sudden anybody who didn't agree with him was an idiot. He trotted out his statistics, which are questionable to some, and at the very least subject to interpretation.

I suppose if you want to get things done there, that's what you do, I don't know.

My personal take on the whole matter is that banning smoking is just fine, but don't put our own businesses at a disadvantage. In other words, wait until all the surrounding areas have banned it, so that our bars aren't the ones losing business. I don't understand why we'd want to do that to protect people from a harm they're perfectly aware of and can avoid if they choose to.

The only councillor who questioned and tried to make sense of the numbers was Ron Furik, but Mr. Malboeuf had no time for him or anybody else. He



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was going to save Milton, and they were getting in his way.

I have to say I appreciate a saviour, much like I would Spiderman, Batman, or Superman. I think we all do, although I've never been a big fan of Aquaman.

I say to Mr. Malboeuf, let's not stop now. I agree that smoking is harmful, and that now people who go to bars won't have to worry about it in Milton, probably because they'll be somewhere else.

I have some other suggestions to make life better in Milton and save us from ourselves.

For example, I have some tight underwear that I'm not fond of but wear because they're clean. If he could help ban tight underwear, I'd have no choice but to purchase properly-fitting ones.

Now, the underwear is probably too tight because I'm too fat. What if we passed a bylaw to ban excess fat? We would all be much healthier for it, and best of all we wouldn't have to look at other fat people, who can make digestion difficult. Better digestion would be

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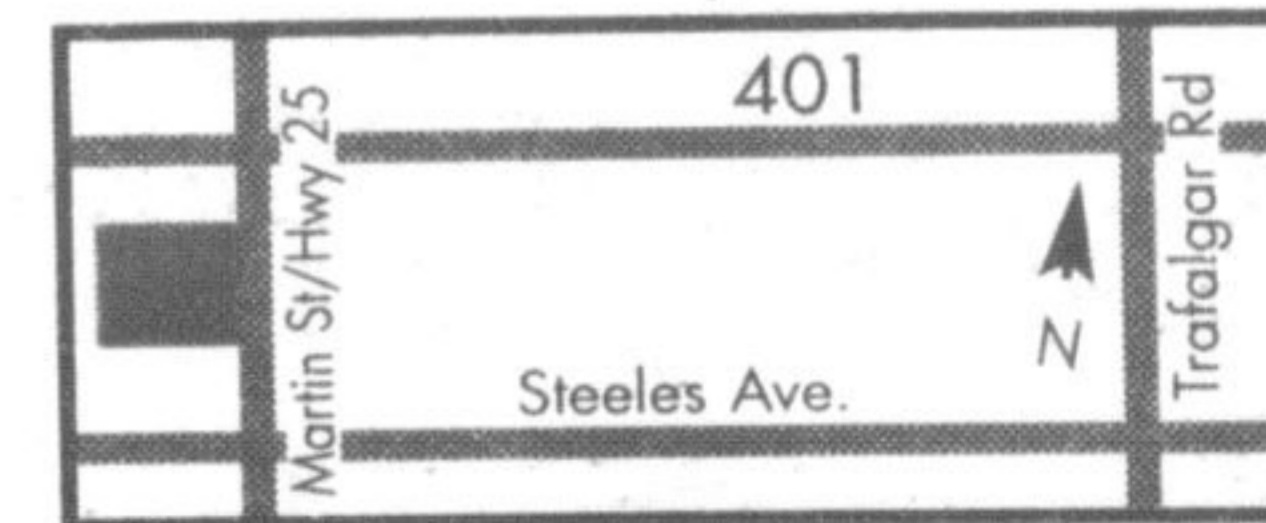
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