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Richard Hosaki shows 15-year-old Darlene Cole how to use the spray gun at the Coin Car Wash which recently opened on Laidlaw Blvd. in Markham.

— Donna Cox

New coin car wash opens in Markham

Owner Doug Cole attributes the success of his 24-hour Coin Car Wash to the fact that Markham car owners prefer to wash their own cars.

"A lot of people who own fine cars don't like to go through a regular car wash. They know they can control what they're washing," said Mr. Cole.

Mr. Cole purchased the coin wash over one year ago and decided to modernize and renovate it.

Some additional features include heated floors in the winter to prevent icing, sophisticated high pressure pumps, high intensity lighting at night and a separate foam brush. One dollar gives the customer a timed wash, foam brush, rinse and wax.

When rebuilding, the first bay was widened for van and light truck use. Mr. Cole thought

the Laidlaw location was good for such a concept because there is lots of room for large vehicles to turn around.

Since the coin wash's official opening Saturday, July 13, Mr. Cole has noted a great response to the concept. "I'm surprised at the amount of people coming in and doing their own cars."

So far Mr. Cole has seen people drive in everything from vans to motorcycles and trimotors.

When the Coin Wash in the Sherwood Plaza was closed down, Mr. Cole felt it was the opportune time for him to reopen his.

"There was a need in the Markham area for a good clean operation of this type," said Mr. Cole.

Mr. Cole is also the owner of Canco Collision, also located on Laidlaw Blvd.

New owners takeover at Melba's restaurant

By DONNA COX
 Staff Reporter

Even though Melba's has changed owners, the restaurant is basically staying the same.

The only major change new owners Michael and Paul Suddick have made is to hire a new chef. Steve Treadwell, who has been cooking for 10 years in Sweden, Switzerland and England, is a staunch believer that everything should be homemade with no preservatives. An example of this is his homemade ice creams and soups.

The menu consists of various unique dishes in elegant country dining. None of the food is pre-cooked.

The Suddicks are trying to convey a more elegant restaurant with the atmosphere and food. They want to appeal to the more sophisticated dining group in Markham.

"It is our intention to be the finest dining establishment in town," said Paul Suddick. "We see Melba's as a nice alternative to going to downtown Toronto."

Another addition to the restaurant is the classical guitarist who plays during dinner on Friday and Saturday night.

Both Suddick brothers have marketing backgrounds. The Unionville residents often dined at Melba's and always thought of owning it. When Hans and Judy Ahlgren put the place up for sale, the Suddicks jumped at the opportunity.

Many of their friends are in the restaurant business, so with their help and with the help of Mr. Treadwell, the two brothers are coming up with a lot of fresh ideas.

The kitchen has been renovated to meet the needs of chef Treadwell. The decor has been maintained and the staff has been kept on.

The brothers also hope to put additions onto the existing building. They want to open a lounge where the patio now is and call it the Drawing Room. There the old tradition of

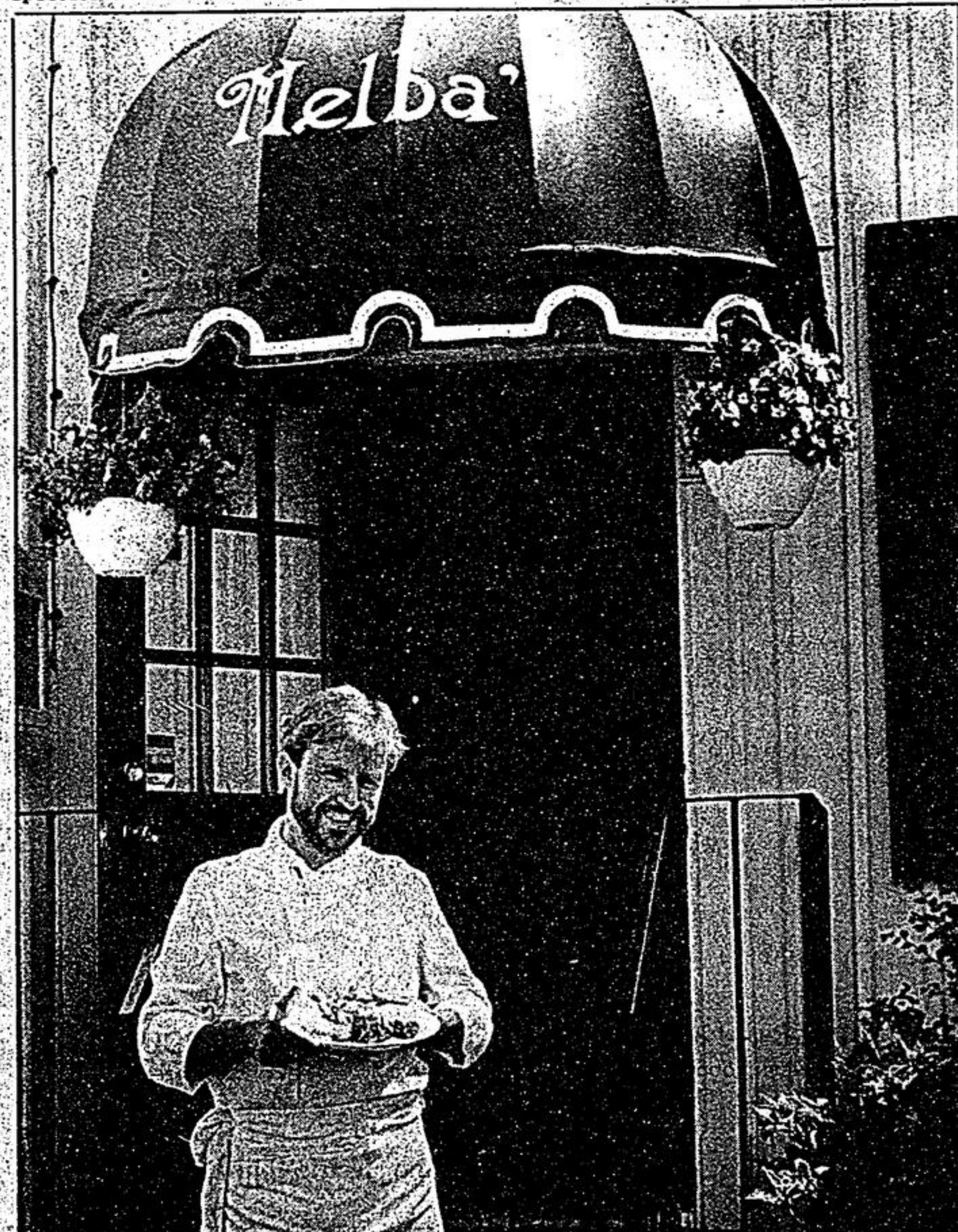
serving coffee and desert will be carried on.

"We have a great deal of respect for what Hans and Judy

achieved," said Paul Suddick. "But I feel that we can carry it one step further."

Melba's on Joseph St. was

opened as a restaurant seven years ago by the Ahlgrens. They renovated their home into the restaurant.

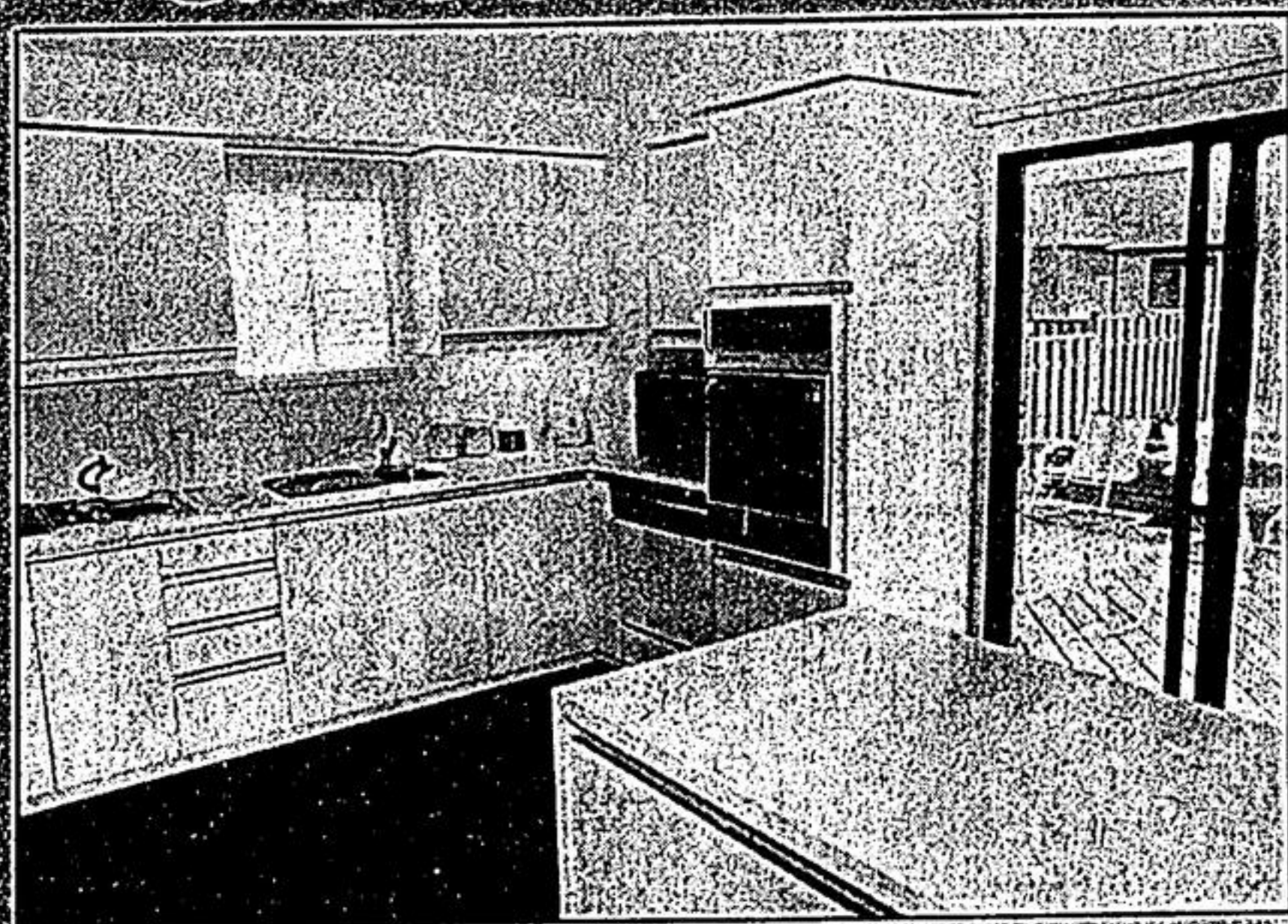


New chef Steve Treadwell has brought his unique touch to Melba's Restaurant in Markham. Here, he displays one of his creations — a chicken dish with sculpted tomatoes and apples.

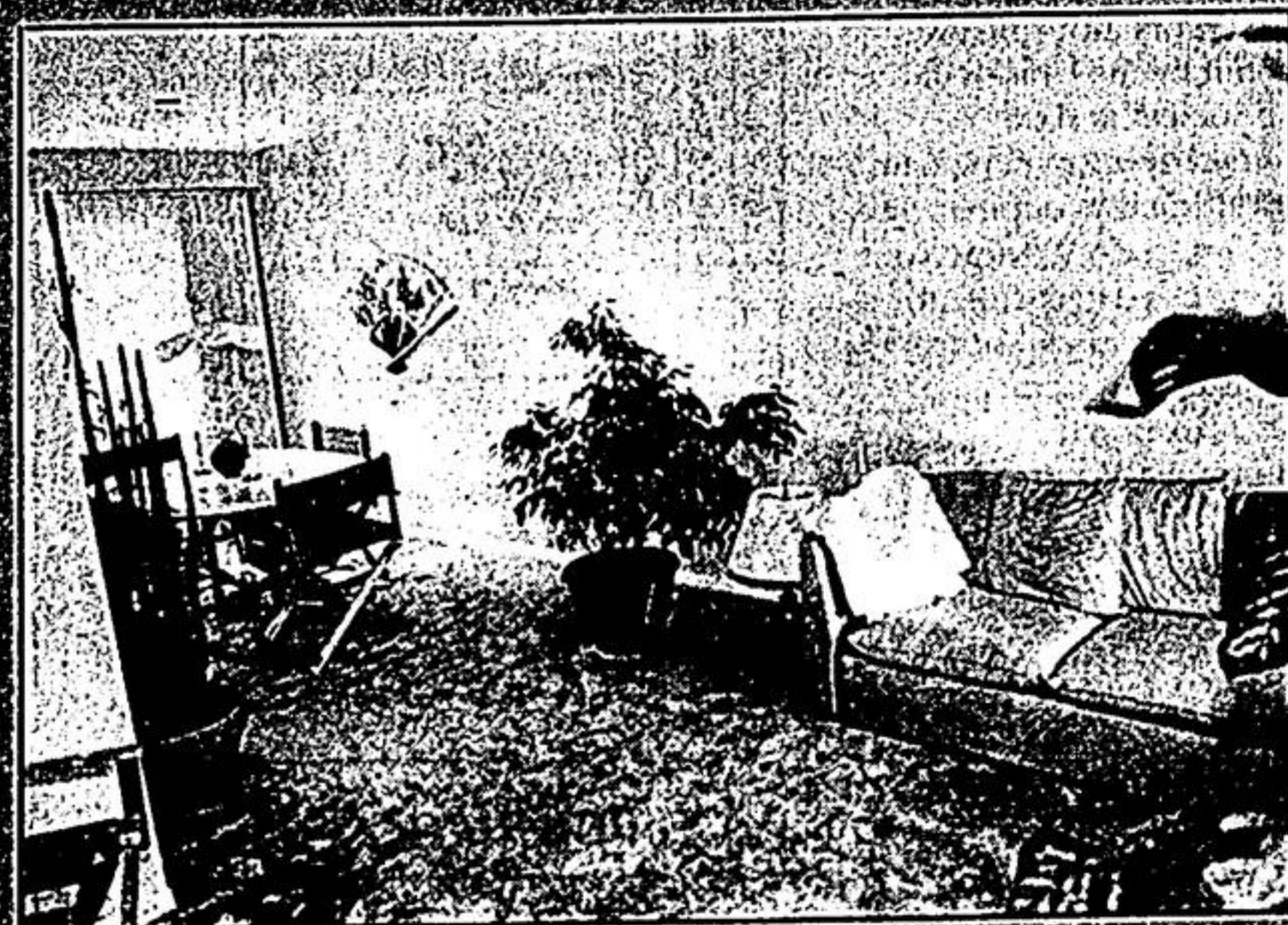
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Home of the Week

Good value for Markham house



The bright, clean kitchen has modern cupboards and a built-in oven and range and also features a walk-out to a large deck.



The combination living room and dining room gives a spacious look to this house on Madsen Cres.

This two-storey brick home located at 15 Madsen Cres. in Markham has been chosen as our Home of the Week.

The combination living room/dining room is bright with vertical and horizontal blinds on all the windows.

The kitchen, modern styled and redone with rubber flooring, has a built-in dishwasher and a built-in wall oven. The room is brightened with the use of track lighting. The cabinets have been recently upgraded.

A walk-out from the kitchen leads to a 16 by 20 foot deck with planters and benches.

The main floor two-piece powder room has track lighting.

There are two bedrooms, a master bedroom and a four-piece bathroom on the second floor. The bathroom is a

Wascan Moulded Tub.

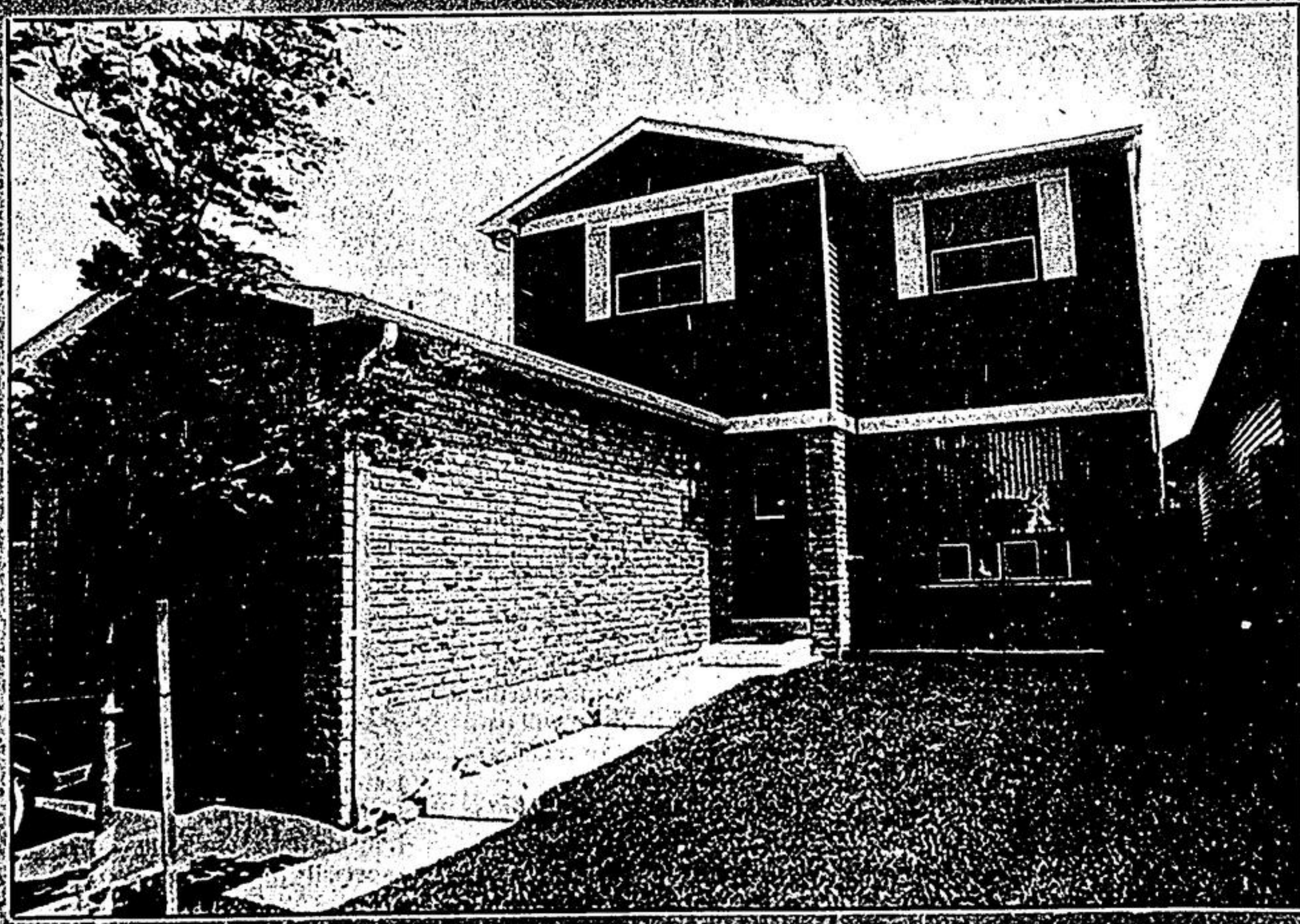
The basement has been completely studded and dry-walled, ready for finishing. An open brick fireplace in the basement makes the room ready for a future rec room.

Other extras in the house include a Central Vac with accessories, upgraded broadloom throughout the house, undercabinet fluorescent lights and a power humidifier on the furnace.

The 3,445 square foot lot is completely fenced.

There has also been extra insulation put in the roof.

The asking price for this home is \$118,000 and is listed with Remax Markville Realty Ltd. in Markham. For further information contact the listing agent Johanna Parker by calling 477-5500 or 294-6998.



A single car garage is featured on this house on a newer area of Markham. The three-bedroom home, built near Markville Shopping Centre, is for sale at \$118,000. It features a central

vacuum system and walkout to a large deck.

— Sjoerd Witteveen