## ow much house to buy

If you are considering buying a new home, you need to know the answers to several questions before you can make a well-informed decision on what price home you should buy.

Here are some ques-tions you should ask yourself before you go shopping:

· How large a mortgage loan are you qualified to borrow? As a rough rule, you can borrow two to 21/2 times your family's gross annual income. The income of both husband and wife can be counted in this computation if their income is steady.

A more accurate approach is to calculate the size of the monthly payment you are qualified to make. Lenders will allow you to use 25 per cent of you family's gross monthly income for your housing payment; (inciuding principal, interest, taxes and insurance), as long as the payment and other longterm debts (eight months and longer) aren't more than one-third of the gross monthly income Lenders often bend the per cent or more. For ex-

25 per cent figure to ample, a couple with an about 28 per cent or so, income of \$24,000 a payments, including the depending on the cir- year, or \$2,000 per house payment, do not cumstances, especially if month, can qualify for the down payment is 20 monthly payment of \$500 monthly payment of \$500 to \$560, as long as their

exceed \$666.

· How can you esti-(Continued on Pa 17)





BROOKWOOD is a cluster home community on Trenken Rd. between Adams and Livernois Rds. in Rochester

EACH HOME overlooks a go'f course that as a Brookwood resident you own. There is a low overall density of only 2.4. homes per acre

THE SIX HOMES left have walk out basement. Ranches and two story plans available

Models open 1 P.M. to 6 P.M. daily except Thursday.

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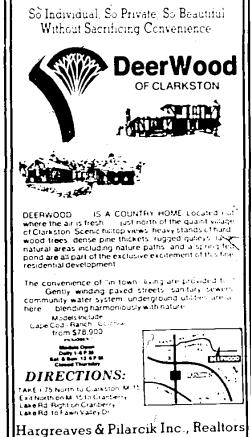


With an income of \$29,000 a year or more, a home buyer can invest in a four-bedroom colonial with attached garage in Nottingham Park in Livonia. model features 21/2 baths and a paneled family room with a brick fireplace



Hidden Hills is on Livernois Rd., south of Walton (University)

Open daily 12-7, Sat. 12-6, Sun. 12-6, closed Thursday



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