It's pennies saved and dollars earned at the produce co-op

By SHIRLEE IDEN
Yes: They have some bananas and almost every other kind of fruit or vegetable you can imagine.
The Local Produce Coop, formerly snown as the Southfeld Coop is offer-snown as the Southfeld Coop is offer-snown as the Southfeld Coop in the Southfeld C

field. A typical vegetable bag may con-tain polatoes, onions, celery, a cucum-ber, green peppers, tomatoes, par-snips and spinach. "The variety will vary each week according to waht is a good buy." Mrs. Piazza said. "Some weeks we even get corn on the cob."

The co-op has been in existence for over four years and operates each wednesday from the VFW Hall at Nine Mile west of Telegraph. From moon to 1 p.m. about 100 member families come to pick up their bags. Many of them, like Mrs. Piazza and Juanita Miller, also of Southfield, are come to pick up their bags. Many of them, like Mrs. Piazza and Juanita Miller, also of Southfield, are come to perations of the bar of the composition of the property of the composition of the property of the composition of the

A 25-YEAR resident of Southfield, Mrs. Miller has belonged to the co-op

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ers who go to market in a volunteered truck are unpaid.

"NOBODY GETS paid." said Mrs.

kind of a luxury item." Mrs. Piazza said. Cally the co-op members don't know what will be in their bags, only that it will be much more than they could buy at a regular produce store or market. "They also know that it will be top quality and very fresh." Mrs. Miller said.

operation in every phase of its activity.

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Mrs. Miller said. "The executives of the group work much longer but that's not required of everyone."

Each member pays a one-time membership fee of \$1 and then can virtually depend on racking up dollar savings each week they participate.

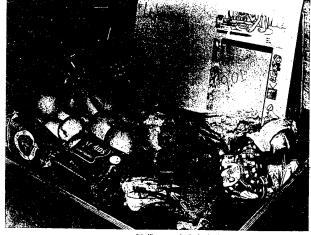
"Members have to buy at least one order each month but they may buy as much as two orders a week," said Mrs. Piazza. "We save people a minimum of 30 per cent on their produce and frequently more."

Special orders are taken for meat. "Special orders, is puid for in minimums observed. Everything, including special orders, is puid for in a vance.

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A careful record of purchases and other financial matters is kept by a volunteer bookkeeper. Even the driv-



It's like money in the bank when you belong to the local produce co-op where savings add up to several dollars each week. (Photos by Jack Margolis)



Waiting for her mom to complete her weekly produce shopping, ngela Wallace of Southfield shows her restlessness.





Art Association to honor faculty.

The association will also honor its 1976-77 faculty members at a public re-ception and opening Feb. 26 in the BBAA Gallery, 1516 South Cranbrook

will ureet the instalation of the show.

At 8 p.m. on Friday, March II, the sculpture of Sergio DeGuisti of Detroit and fiber sculpture by Carolyn Fall of Bringham will be on view at the BBAA Gallery.

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