

Lucia Bove is 98

Children and grandchildren gathered to bring love and good wishes to Lucia Bove in on her 98th birthday, celebrated in the Farmington Hills home of her daughter Vittoria Milani where she has lived for the past 20 years.

She was born Dec. 13, 1887, in Villa Latino, Italy, where she married Angelo Visocchi, in 1909. The couple had one son, Domenico, who was born before Visocchi was killed in World War I.

She married again in 1921 and had

two daughters, Ilvia and Vittoria, with Pasquale Bove. Domenico Visocchi and Ilvia Bove both migrated to Canada where they are living now, while she and her daughter, Vittoria, settled in Detroit when they came to the United States.

She made a career of being a housewife and mother, and for all of her residency in Detroit was an active member of St. Augustine Catholic Church.

She has nine grandchildren and nine great grandchildren.



Lucia Bove

club circuit

WESTSIDE SINGLES meet for a dance party from 8 p.m. to 2 a.m. Friday in Roma's of Livonia, Scholcraft Road, west of Lakeland. Music for dancing is furnished by Eddie Rogers of WCLS-Radio.

Admission is \$5 at the door. Open to all singles over the age of 21.

BIRMINGHAM-BLOOMFIELD-TROY SINGLES host a Pre-New Year's Dance Party from 7:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday in Troy Hilton Inn, Stephenson Highway and Maple Road. Music for dancing is furnished by Jon Ray of WIND Honey Radio.

Admission is \$3 at the door. The groups hotline number is 649-4184.

SIERRA CLUB, Detroit Group, meets for its general membership meeting at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 2 in Northwest Unitarian Church, 23025 Northwestern Highway Service Drive, between Nine and 10 Mile, Southfield.

Program for the evening is a slide presentation, which tells about the goals and activities of the national club, the Machine Chapter and the local group. Officers will tell guests about the club's many activities and how individuals can participate. The meeting is geared for newcomers. No charge. The Sierra Club hotline is 532-2659.

FARMINGTON HILLS SENIOR ADULT CENTER offers three trips to

seniors this spring. A daylong trip to Frankenmuth with lunch and a show is scheduled for Feb. 24.

A "Winter Special to West Virginia" is set for March 24-26.

And a Caribbean Island cruise is set for April 20-27.

Registration and information is available in the center, in Mercy Center complex, on 11 Mile, through Gate 4, east of Middlebelt.

All club news and announcements for this column are to be addressed to: Club Circuit, Farmington Observer, 33202 Grand River, Farmington 48024. The information must arrive before noon Monday before Thursday publication.

Mercy opens winter-term registration

Mercy Center opens its winter registration with a large offering of swimming and fitness classes, some special events and several new programs listed on the Jan. 10 to Feb. 27, and Feb. 28 to April 23 agendas.

"Saturday Surprise" is a weekly supervised series of activities in the gym and pool, plus arts and crafts from 9:30 a.m. to noon for 3- to 12-year-olds.

"Helping Hands" is a tutoring program for those from kindergarten up to grade 8.

"Paint and Play" is a creative art experience for moms and tots to help improve children's coordination.

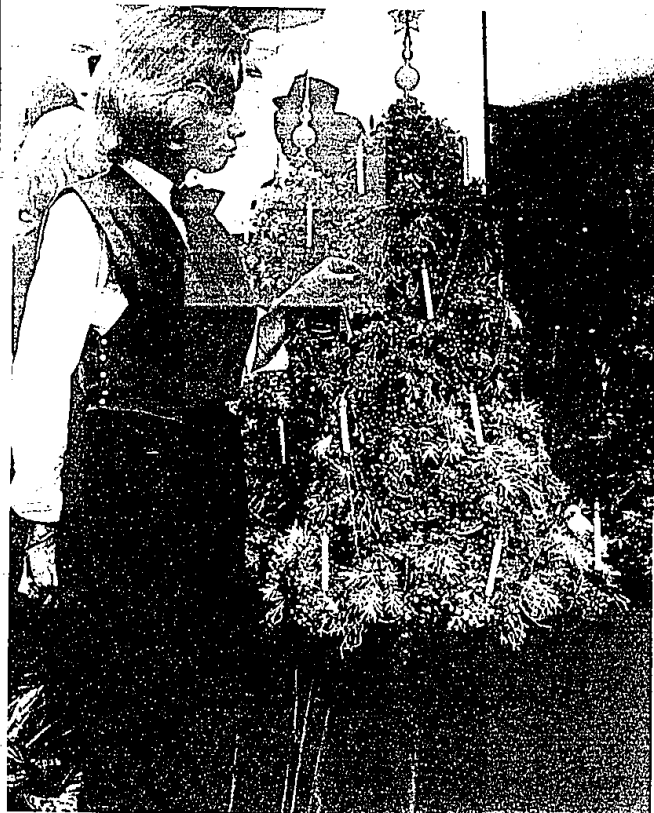
A baby-sitting clinic to help 12- to 13-year-olds become effective caregivers is a new class at Mercy.

Youth from 3 to 9 years old can participate in a snowman-building contest from 1-3 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 18.

Winter Break Camp is set this season for Feb. 14-25 for 3 to 12-year-olds. And a Winter Overnight for 3 to 12-year-olds is scheduled for Friday and

Saturday, Feb. 21-22. "Life: Live It to the Fullest" is a women's fitness workshop, set for Saturday, Feb. 22.

Complete brochures are available in the center, 28800 11 Mile Road, Inquiries are taken by calling the center, 476-8010.



RANDY BORST/staff photographer

Tree of jewels

Pins, earrings, bracelets, chains and pendants of every size and description make the Christmas tree that is the focal point of holiday decorations in Bo'Lynn's Costumes and Fashions. The collection of costume jewelry started 25 years ago in the hair stylist's Farmington Hills salon, and each piece is a memento from one of her

clients. The collection was first placed on a flat surface in a picture frame in the shape of a pine tree. Periodically red pieces would be made into hearts for Valentine's Day or green pieces would be shaped into a shamrock. This season the jeweled tree is tree-standing and every jewel is a memory for its owner.

Financial aid offered to displaced homemakers

Schoolcraft College's Women's Resource Center (WRC), through a grant from the State of Michigan, Department of Education, offers financial aid for students who are displaced homemakers, single parents or non-traditional job trainees who lack adequate job skills as well as recent, skilled, full-time employment.

The Single Parent-Homemaker and Sex Equity Project offers tuition assistance for associate degree and certificate career curricula as well as approved career guidance courses.

Funds are available for the winter 1986 semester. For information, call WRC at 591-6460, Ext. 430.

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