# The Grand Valley Ledger 

## Santa arrives here in Grand Style

Some children got their first glimpse of Santa Claus at the Lowell Christmas Parevent sponsored by the Lowell Chamber of Commerce dazzled everyone, as expec ted.
Pieces of candy fell out of the sky for little sweet tooth. Cameras were everywhere
"We'd hoped for snow,"
said Secretary Dolores Dey of
the Chamber of Commerce.
Nothing could have dampend spirits, however, as a mixture of marchers and mixture of daren pain St. to the high school
The Veterans of Foreign Wars Color Guard led off followed by the junior and followed by the junior and senior high marching bands. Others included: skater Rom ter Rink: Cub Scut Pan Roller Rink; Cub Scout Pack


TOM FORD RETIRES FROM DPW
It has just been brought to our attention that Tom Ford has retired from the Lowell Department of Public Works after 18 ears of service Tom is 62 years old and resides at 822 Lafayette St., Lowell with his wife Eleanor. Tom was always he first on call for snow removal and was often at work clearing streets in the wee hours during winter months. In his retirement Tom plans to pursue his hobby of antique buying. selling, swapping and restoring along with a little fishing and a lot of golf.

NEW ORDINANCE MOVED BACK
Because of several wording changes recommended by the city's attorneys, council approval of the city's new ordinance has been delayed. A public hearing has been scheduled for Monday January 18 after which the city council will have the option of approving or disapproving the document. When the ordinance is finally approved by the council it will be printed in its entirety in the Ledger. After publication the citizenry ill have 45 days to make appeals

PICTURES WITH SANTA
Parents again have an opportunity to have their children's picture taken with Santa. St. Nick will be taking time off from his duties at the North Pole for photo sessions in Rivertown Mall on Wednesday. December 16 from 6:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. and Saturday. December 19 from 2:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m. The photos will be taken by Jim Maatman of Modern Photographics and will be $5 \times 7$ color prints in a folder for a cost of 53.00 .
L.H.S. WINTER SPORTS GET UNDERWAY

The Lowell Varsity and J.V. basketball squads got their seasons underway last Friday against Delton, the Hockey eam has several games under their belt and winter sports will soon be in "full swing" at L.H.S. This issue of the Ledger contains a four page winter sports section complete with Basketball, Wrestling, Hockey, Gymnastics, Volleyball and Cheerleading along with the names of all the area businesses Cheerleader sponsor the special section. We here at the Ledger say "Thanks" to the sponsors and "Good Luck" to

3188, as Santa's reindeer and
gift wrapped boxes; Sylves ter and Tweety Bird from Paler Riverfront Clothing Inc.
Floats included the Cham ber of Commerce Santa Claus float; Lowell Missionary church nativity float: and mary church nativity float; and OH Lady in the Shoe.
Other in the Shoe. Other organizations spon boring floats were. Moose Lodge No. 809; Camp Fir Girls; Brownies; Biff's Ranch House; Johnson's Food Bis ket; Lambert's Variety Store; and the Lowell Fire Departmont engines.
The chamber was espec ally proud of the bus drivers' work in preparing the Old Lady in the Shoe. "They worked hard and for a long time to coordinate it." Mrs. Dey said.

## by Chuck Neller

## Accident at bridge site injures two workmen

Two men were injured Wednesday, Dec. 2, at the S Division St. bridge construeion site in Lowell when a crane cable slipped.
The Brown Brothers construction crew were driving Lowell Lanes breakin

Law enforcement officers arrested a man leaving the rear of Lowell Lanes with a cash box on Thursday Dec 4. at $3: 36 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. He had apparently broken a window and crawled in.
Patrick Dibble, 18 of Tow. er Rd. in Lowell was released on $\$ 2.000$ bond pending arraignment.

Deputy Ronald Ditmar of the Kent Co. Sheriff's Department made the arrest, assisted by Officer Steve Pace of the Lowell Police Department.

## ROSIE DRIVE INN

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the first of a new set of pilings that morning when the cable fell on them. LeRoy VanVleet of West Olive supfere several broken ribs and was knocked in the river unconscious.
The cable then struck Wa ter Myers of Belding a glancing blow to the shoutder, according to foreman Morgan Snodgrass.
"Myers grabbed him (Van Fleet) when he came up." said Snodgrass. "Then

Rollover crash
A Lowell man lost control of his car in the early hours of Thanksgiving Day and was arrested for driving while under the influence of alcobol.
Timothy Stroosnyder. 25. of 935 Lincoln Lake Rd., was northbound on Lincoln Lake at $12: 50 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. when he failed to negotiate a curve. The car spun on the gravel shoulder and rolled over twice going down an embankment.
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Myers and I rolled him up
onto the platform till the onto the platform till the rescue squad came.
Lowell Rescue helped bring the men to shore, and Bud's Ambulance Service

## Muskegon man dies in

 three car accident here
#### Abstract

A three car accident killed one man and injured another Saturday on M-21 near Parnell Ave.

Vehicles of the Lowell Police Dept. and Fire Dept. were dispatched at $1: 25 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. just shortly before the Chambet of Commerce Christmas Parade was to begin, as traffic was halted on the two lane highway. Donald A. Sandin, 28, of Muskegon was dead at the scene. He was westbound on Fulton St. when his car crossed the centerline and struck an oncoming vehicle The driver of the eastbound car, Steve B. Smith, 8. 637 Dickinson S.E in Grand Rapids was taken to he Butterwort Hospital in. he Butterworth Hospital inensive care unit where he critical conditon. A third vehicle, unable to stop, struck Smith's car in he rear. The driver Lind K. Falsetta, 24, of Saranac was not injured


## Easter Seals Society

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Easter Seals Society brought in a good crowd and approxmatey $\mathbf{\$ 1 . 8 7 5}$ at the Lowell 4. H fairgrounds Saturday William VanBeek bought he high price ticket for the he high price ticket for the lay, a snowmobile, for $\$ 85$. Reedy Realty, Century 21, of Lowell and Hastings sponsored the event. Tom Nagy volunteered his services as auctioneer.
Items donated by met chants and the public wen on the block at noon and by 5 p.m. everything was gone. "They were all good spen-
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