

Racing

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was happy with how things went for us," said Giadosh.

Road races, as the name suggests are held on streets where drivers face a medley of challenges not commonly found in other types of auto racing. "This is definitely a more demanding form of driving than is required if you're going around in circles on a track," said Giadosh. "It's true racing in the European tradition and requires a high level of driving skill because negotiating turns efficiently and shifting gears correctly can be the difference between winning and losing."

Giadosh, who was fascinated by automobiles from childhood, began to consider racing as a career after watching a Formula 1 race on television. "I remember thinking, wow, I'd love to do that," he said. "When I first got started in racing it was as a drag racer but then I made the move to road racing because it meant spending more time in the cars and that's what I love."

When he isn't in the cars, Giadosh can be found fixing them. "We own an auto body shop so I'm pretty busy all year round, either with the business or with the racing," he said. "Both things complement the other. Racing is fun but it is a business too and a lot of what you need to compete successfully in business and racing overlap."

The Carey Giadosh recipe for achieving goals includes one part determination. "This is not an easy sport to break into," he said. "It's not profitable for a long time so



Carey Giadosh posed with his race cars in his Dallas garage.

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Education and experience are invaluable, especially in auto racing where a single mistake can result in tragedy. "LCCC has a program in racing design," said Giadosh. "It's one of only about five colleges in the country to offer these classes. That is a great place to start if you're interested in rac-

ing." Once a driver has established contacts and lined up sponsors to cover expenses, money may be available for things besides car repairs. "We actually had a good year this year, we didn't have any major collisions so all three cars are in good shape," said Giadosh.

Safe driving and several wins translated into a big pay day for one local organization. "We are a non-profit race team," said Giadosh, who serves as financial chairperson for the local unit of the Arthritis Foundation and helps organize the annual Mini Grand Prix. "We donate all the proceeds from our victories to the Arthritis Foundation; it feels good to know I can make a difference just doing something I love to do."

BMT Trail project receives Conservation Corps grant

State Rep. John Yudichak, D-Luzerne, announced today that the Pennsylvania Conservation Corps will use portions of a \$65,000 state grant to purchase trail construction equipment for the Back Mountain Trail in Luzerne County.

"The staff and volunteers of the Back Mountain Trail Association are to be commended on the fine job they are doing to make this project a success," Yudichak said.

"They deserve all the credit for earning this grant."

Yudichak said Pennsylvania's participation in the National Recreational Trails Program is part of the state's Community Conservation Partnership, which provides money and technical assistance to local governments and other groups to help preserve natural resources, enhance tourism and provide outdoor recreation.

Amy Withers wins three talent awards

Amy Withers, 15, of Dallas, recently completed in Talent Olympics in the Poconos. Amy entered five different vocal categories, placing first in three. She placed first in "up tempo" by singing her own version of "Battle Hymn of the Republic" a capella. Amy is a sophomore at Dallas Senior High School where she is an active member of the Color Guard, Indoor Guard, Chorus and Girls Select Chorus.



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