

# Happy Halloween, Grand Island

photos by Larry Austin



Ana Garcia Nizialek and her daughter, Gabi, at left, of LaSalle Court, were a bride and bridesmaid who didn't make it to the wedding on Halloween.



Mark Podgorny of Red Jacket Road on the Island's south end sells skulls at crypticimports.com ("Realistic skulls that won't leave your wallet in a shallow grave," according to the Web site.) So it's altogether fitting and proper that he goes all out on Halloween. In the family garage, it was hard to tell what was fake and what was Justin Podgorny. The children loved it.



Cyndi Booker donated proceeds from her haunted classroom at Kaegebein Elementary School to the Grand Island Relay For Life. Booker set up Halloween-themed learning stations in the cafeteria.



At Podgorny's home on Halloween, Tyler Dean was strapped into an electric chair to receive a jolt. Earlier, Dean was wearing a goalie mask and greeting trick-or-treaters with a chainsaw. The children loved it.



Kim Sciandra of the Sandy Beach neighborhood had neighbors stopping by her Halloween display to take pictures of the bride witches and watch "Young Frankenstein" on the big screen television.



Mark Podgorny rigged what he called "The Puker Guy" display to a motion detector in his garage, and when an unsuspecting trick-or-treater walked by, "toxic" waste would spew out. Hilarity ensued. The children loved it.