



Bodies were flying throughout Riverboat Days. LEFT: A rider has a tough timing hanging on during the Riverboat Days Extreme Bull Riding Event. This year's event, which brought in a large crowd, drew 40 riders from across the country. (Nielsen) ABOVE: A dancer from the Academy of Dance shows a lot of grace during Friday's performance. To see or purchase images from Riverboat Days, visit spotted.yankton.net. (Hertz)



LEFT: The annual Summer Arts Festival attracted scores of vendors and many times more that in customers and spectators throughout the weekend. This woman chats on the her phone while she checks out some of the jewelry found at the Live Out Loud Designs booth. The arts festival was sponsored by Yankton Area Arts. (Hertz) RIGHT: KYNT's Scott Kooistra, who hosted Friday's opening ceremony at the Riverside Park amphitheatre, interviews Payton Wolfgram, whose submission won the Riverboat Days poster contest. Wolfgram's design appeared on T-shirts and billboards. (Hertz)



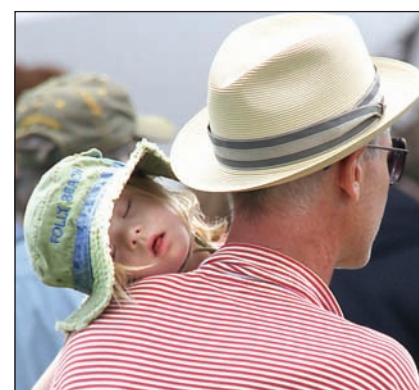
There were guitar heroes everywhere during Riverboat Days. LEFT: Although not really a comic book hero, "Dopey" showed up on this Blossom and Friends float during Saturday's parade. Word has it he doesn't read music but instead plays by ear. (Hertz) CENTER: Guitarist Scotty McBee of the Toubadour Retrievers tears into a solo during the band's performance Friday night at Riverside Park. (Hertz) RIGHT: The Dweebs were back, and this time they needed some "help" from these two young volunteers for their performance of Pat Benatar's "Heartbreaker" Saturday night at Riverside Park. (Hertz)



Wheels were a common theme that rolled throughout Riverboat Days. LEFT: Dawn Butzer of Alcester rolls across the finish line (figuratively) along with (literally) her 4 co-pilot during Mount Marty College's 5K run Saturday morning. (Cimburek) TOP/CENTER: Lawnmower races returned to Riverboat Days and again drew large crowds. This year's races were presented by the Nebraska Lawnmower Association. (Hertz) TOP/RIGHT: This 1949 Chevrolet was among the many vehicles that drew interest among spectators at the annual Classic Cruiser Car Show at the Riverside Park baseball stadium. RIGHT: Rolling through the Riverboat Days parade Saturday was the celebration's new official float, which was manned by 2013 Captain and Belle Gary and Velma Kuchta. The float was officially unveiled during Menno's Fourth of July parade. (Hertz)



ABOVE: Riverboat Days also had some action on the Missouri River that flows in front of Riverside Park, courtesy of the inaugural Riverboat Days Kayak Run. The event started near Gavins Point Dam and went down to Paddle Wheel Point, located east of Riverside Park. (Hertz)



LEFT: These people watch the Zero Gravity ride as it spins through the night Saturday at the Yankton Mall as part of the D.C. Lynch Carnival. (Hertz) ABOVE: This young attendee apparently had quite enough of Riverboat Days by Saturday afternoon, unlike thousands of other people who visited the festival this weekend. Hopefully, she will be rested up for next year's event, set for Aug. 15-17, 2014. To see or purchase images from this year's event, visit spotted.yankton.net. (Hertz)