



This participant in Saturday's Riverboat Days parade kept his very large eyes on the crowd in the downtown area. The 31st annual festival this year carried the theme "Out of This World," which opened the door to numerous creative floats and banners during the parade. (Hertz)

Did you see Riverboat Days 2014? It was ...

OUT OF THIS WORLD!

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ABOVE: Baseball must be a universal game, as this little alien pitcher demonstrates while participating in the Rounding 3rd Bar and Casino float at the Riverboat Days parade Saturday morning (Hertz). BELOW: Elijah Koliner of Sioux Falls flashes some futuristic — and inflatable — head gear while riding with his grandfather, Al Koliner of Yankton, in the Riverboat Days parade as part of the Keep Yankton Beautiful contingent policing the parade route (Hertz). To see or purchase images from the Riverboat Days festivities, check out spotted.yankton.net/. You can also watch video from the weekend by visiting the Press & Dakotan website at www.yankton.net/.



Friday night's Riverboat Days fireworks display was out of this world and a stirring kickoff to the 31st annual summer festival. (Hertz)



The Zipper ride at the D.C. Lynch Carnival appeared ready for takeoff from the Yankton Mall parking lot during Riverboat Days weekend. (Hertz)



Perhaps not "out of this world," but 8-year-old Jaiden Parish of Sioux Falls shows off colorful feline face painting she had done while visiting Riverboat Days Saturday afternoon. (Hertz)



ABOVE: The Yankton Mall's annual Arts and Crafts Show was held this weekend, with crowds turning out to check out a wide variety of items from regional vendors (Nielsen). BELOW: Dylan James and Vermillion native Jami Lynn performed shows in front of the Dakota Territorial Capitol at Riverside Park Saturday and Sunday (Hertz).



Mount Marty College's basketball programs were well represented during Riverboat Days activities in Yankton. LEFT: MMC men's basketball coach Andrew Baker braces for a soaking as he participated in the annual Homeless Shelter Dunk Tank at Riverside Park (Hertz). ABOVE: While Baker was getting dunked for a good cause, Lancer women's basketball coach Tom Schlimgen was firing on all cylinders as he pitched for the South Dakota Jackolopes in the South Dakota Senior Baseball Game held at the Riverside Park baseball stadium. This debut event drew a nice crowd as well as some familiar amateur baseball names (Hertz).



LEFT: Dallas Chief Eagle and his daughter offered a hoop-dance performance near the Dakota Territorial Capitol Saturday afternoon. It also included explanations and demonstrations of some dances (Hart). Whether it was out of this world or out of this realm, this little Thor seemed slightly thunderstruck by the crowd lined up in the downtown area for the Riverboat Days parade Saturday. He was part of the Cramer-Kenyon Heritage Home float (Hertz). RIGHT: An Academy of Dance ballet dancer performs in front of a prop at Saturday night's performance (Hart).

