



At Yankton's Riverboat Days, there are rides and there are rides. ABOVE: Skeeter Kingsoliver of McLouth, Kansas, struggles mightily to stay on top of his ride during the annual Riverboat Days Extreme Bullriding Event, held Saturday night. (Nielsen); RIGHT: Four-year-old Aubri Burks of Yankton seems to have picked up an extra-terrestrial hitchhiker during the Riverboat Days kiddie parade on Friday night. (Hertz)



While there was a lot of wood work on display during the Riverboat Days Summer Arts Festival, chainsaw sculptors from the Indiana-based Bear Hollow Wood Carvers take the task to some fascinating extremes, as Riverboat Days patrons discovered this weekend. In the photo, detail work is carefully applied to a wooden eagle. (Hertz)



Good news, everyone! Some characters from the animated television series "Futurama" paid a visit to 21st century Yankton this weekend to participate in the Riverboat Days parade. They had some channeling assistance from the Sioux Falls Roller Dollz. (Hertz)



Beck Ryken, 6, of Yankton appears ready to sail out of this world as he performs aerial somersaults on the bungee at Riverboat Days Saturday. This device has been one of the festival's most popular attractions for young daredevils for years. (Hertz)



Musical interludes — ABOVE: Brianna Tagg of The Dweebs bears down on the fiddle while playing "The Devil Went Down to Georgia" at Riverside Park Saturday night (Hertz). LEFT: Carson Heinemeyer, Michael Carda, Rylan Clark and Sam Carda vocalize during the Yankton Children's Theater Company show Saturday night (Hart). BELOW: The Rumbles get their kitsch on while performing "Love Shack" at Riverside Park Friday night (Hertz).



While skies were cloudy for a portion of the 2014 Riverboat Days, some shades came in handy from time to time. LEFT: This young bystander gets into the rhythms produced by the Sheltered Reality percussion group, which performed two shows Saturday at the Riverside Park amphitheatre. (Hart); RIGHT: This alien isn't really wearing shades, but he/she/it did seem to be going incognito while participating in the Riverboat Days Kiddie Parade Friday night on Levy Street. (Hertz)



LEFT: Mud volleyball made a triumphant (and messy) return to Riverboat Days Sunday with a 14-year tournament held in Riverside Park. Two courts and all the mud you could wallow in were available (Hertz). ABOVE: These little "penguins" from the Green Room Dance Studio prepare to perform at the Riverside Park amphitheatre Friday night (Hertz). RIGHT: Jarod Bordynski of All-Star Catering of Hudson, Wisconsin, grills up some vegetables in preparation for the Saturday evening supper rush at Riverside Park (Hertz). To see or purchase images from Riverboat Days 2014, visit spotted.yankton.net/.



Some Riverboat Days Americana — LEFT: A dancer with the Yankton Children's Theater Company hands a flag out to an audience member during a patriotic song Saturday night (Hart). CENTER: These planes swooped across the skies (and in front of some harmless dark clouds) above the river at Riverside Park Saturday as the Vanguard Air Show returned to the Yankton festival (Hertz);

RIGHT: The popular Classic Cruiser Car Show once again took over the outfield of the Riverside Park baseball stadium, with crowds coming in to inspect some vintage vehicles, spectacular muscle cars and automobiles that no doubt stirred some memories (Hertz)