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## Are You Ready To Rock & Roll Out?



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Motorcyclists parade down Highway 50 during Yankton's first ever Rock N Rumble event Saturday. The day gave bikers on their way to the 75th annual Sturgis Rally a chance to take a break, take part in a motorcycle parade and enjoy live entertainment.

## River City Rumble

### Motorcycle Event Successful In Debut

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On Saturday afternoon, downtown Yankton looked and sounded like part – albeit a small part – of the Sturgis motorcycle rally.

There weren't the one million bikers expected to make their way to this week's 75th annual rally in the Black Hills and surrounding area.

But the roar of bikes – both those headed to Sturgis and those looking for the feel of it – filled the air. The bikers became a part of Yankton history by launching the city's first Rock N Rumble celebration. The event sought to lure both bikers headed to Sturgis and those interested in a closer venue.

Saturday's biker turnout wasn't what Stephanie Moser expected – it was far better.

"We have 205 bikers registered today – and we were hoping for 50," said Moser, director of the Yankton Convention and Visitors Bureau (CVB).

"A lot of those bikes had a rider, so now you're talking 400 people who showed up today."

The event offered bikers the historic op-



COURTESY PHOTO: DAKOTA AERIALS

More than 200 motorcycles line up across the Meridian Bridge during the first annual Rock N Rumble event Saturday.

portunity to cross the Missouri River over the Meridian Bridge. The double-decker 1924 structure was converted to a pedestrian bridge in 2008 but was opened to motorized traffic for an hour last Saturday.

After returning on the bridge, the bikers traveled down Douglas Avenue from 2nd to 31st streets before heading to Lewis and Clark Lake. Later, a barbecue and band were featured at The Landing. The evening concluded with a street dance at downtown Third Street. Both events were open to the general public.

Bikers were instructed to gather at Third Street and Douglas Avenue starting

at 1:30 p.m. Instead, enthusiastic bikers started arriving downtown by 12:30 p.m. The one-block area soon filled up with bikers looking for a good spot to park their vehicle and mingle with the others.

"I'm ecstatic," Moser said. "We were hoping to fill up half a block, and we filled up a whole block three rows deep."

Businessman Jeff Dayhuff, who helped organize the event, said the Third Street site saw some last-minute reshuffling to accommodate the large turnout.

"We had half this (block) set up for bike

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## A Fitting End



ROB NIELSEN/P&D

Happy Ending provides entertainment to close out the first annual Rock N Rumble event Saturday night. More than 200 bikes took over the city Saturday, many on their way to the 75th annual Sturgis Motorcycle Rally.

## Pajls Marry 4-H, Wedding Anniversary

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Most married couples go out to dinner for their anniversary.

But with four children in 4-H through the years, Dr. Jim and Martha Pajl have spent nearly 25 wedding anniversaries at Yankton County 4-H Achievement Days. The Pajls did it again this year, marking their 35th wedding anniversary at the Pine Acres fairgrounds.

"Our anniversary is August 2," Martha said. "It always falls during Achievement Days, and we've had well over 20 of them spent here (at the fairgrounds). We consider Achievement Days to be part of our (anniversary) celebration."

Actually, this year's anniversary fell on Sunday. With Achievement Days wrapped up at noon Sunday, they still could still have planned a special celebration for the rest of the day.

"We could do that," Martha said on reflection during Saturday's interview. "But first, we've got the round robin (livestock competition) on Sunday morning."

That's not to say the Pajls don't make time for



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Dr. Jim and Martha Pajl of Yankton celebrated their 35th wedding anniversary Sunday at a familiar location – the Yankton County 4-H Achievement Days. Their four children have participated in 4-H, which the couple's wedding anniversary falling during Achievement Days more than 20 times.

themselves when it comes to their anniversary.

"We usually celebrate our anniversary the following week," Jim said. "For our 30th anniversary, we went to the (Black) Hills before our anniversary. For our 25th anniversary, we were here (at Achievement Days) the first couple

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