

# A Salute From Riverboat Days!



ABOVE: James (age 7) and Parker (age 4) Williamson of Washington, D.C., offer salutes after Friday's kiddie parade, which opened the Riverboat Days celebration. (Hertz) RIGHT: The Statue of Liberty beamed (via her torch and her smile) during Saturday's annual Riverboat Days parade. (Hertz)

*The 32nd Annual  
Riverboat Days Paid  
Tribute To Veterans With  
'Red, White And Blue:  
We Salute You!'*

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Riverboat Days is for the young at heart. ABOVE: The Yankton High School band wore its red, white and blue colors on tie-dyed shirts as they marched through the Riverboat Days parade. Saturday (Hertz) BELOW: KYNT's Scott Kooistra (who is definitely young at heart!) served as the host of Friday's opening ceremonies, during which he introduced the Captain and Belle, Riverboat Days Committee members and others — including Tatum Hohenthanner, the Sacred Heart School student who won the Riverboat Days design contest. (Hertz)



LEFT: Friday night's thunderous fireworks display attracted a huge crowd, which was not disappointed in the pyrotechnics. (Hertz) ABOVE: Kids and adults of all stripes were invited to contribute to this interactive artistic work at the Summer Arts Festival, sponsored by Yankton Area Arts. (Biel) RIGHT: Scott Luken of Yankton works on a new creation Saturday during the Summer Arts Festival. (Hertz)



Once again, Riverboat Days proved to be a time for friends to get together, whether it was through a high school reunion or just hanging out watching Friday's fireworks, as these girls did. (Hertz)



LEFT: Members of the Green Room Dance Studio performed before a large crowd Saturday night at the Riverside Park amphitheatre. (Hertz) CENTER: A rider falls just short of the eight second mark at the Double S Bull Co.'s Extreme Bull Riding Event during Riverboat Days Saturday. Riders came from as far away as Brazil for the event.



(Nielsen) RIGHT: The new splash pads at the Meridian Plaza proved rather popular Friday night, while conditions were still seasonably warm. A front moved through Saturday afternoon, bringing strong northwest winds and decidedly chillier temperatures to the proceedings. (Hertz)



LEFT: A very popular addition to this year's Riverboat Days activities for kids were these "bubbles," in which kids (and some adults) could get inside these air-filled bubbles and float on a pond. As participants discovered, this made something simple like standing up nearly impossible to do. This activity featured long lines at Riverside Park all weekend. (Hertz) CENTER: Face-painting has become a staple of Riverboat Days, and while some people get cats or other animal designs painted across their cheeks, others go for something a bit more menacing. This creation was spotted downtown during the Riverboat Days parade Saturday. (Hertz) RIGHT: Red, white and blue were, obviously, dominate colors during the weekend festival, and these Girl Scouts made sure their float kept up with the color scheme. (Hertz)

