

FUN FOURTH FESTIVITIES

Pancakes, a run/walk, a parade, kids crafts, a little barbeque and some fireworks round out Saratoga's Independence Day celebrations.



Kelby Lang cooks up some bacon at the pancake breakfast at Fireman's Hall Tuesday.

Participants in the Cancer Walk/Color Run clap after listening to organizer Scott Bokelman speak.



Independence Day photos by Amanda Shepherd and Keith McLendon



The crowd bows their heads as Larry Cloyd offers a prayer before the run/walk Tuesday morning.



Cancer survivors get together for a photo before the run/walk.



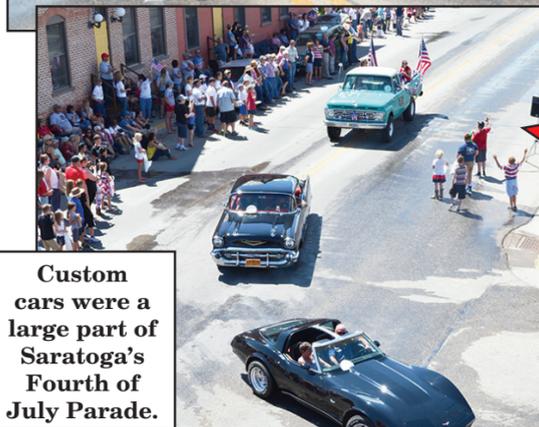
Colored powder is liberally applied to those who want it just prior to the run/walk's start.



They're off! Runners begin the Cancer Run/Walk Tuesday.



Kids cool off in the water being sprayed by one of Saratoga's fire trucks.



Custom cars were a large part of Saratoga's Fourth of July Parade.



The Sierra Madre Mountain Man Muzzleloaders get off a few shots during Tuesday's parade.

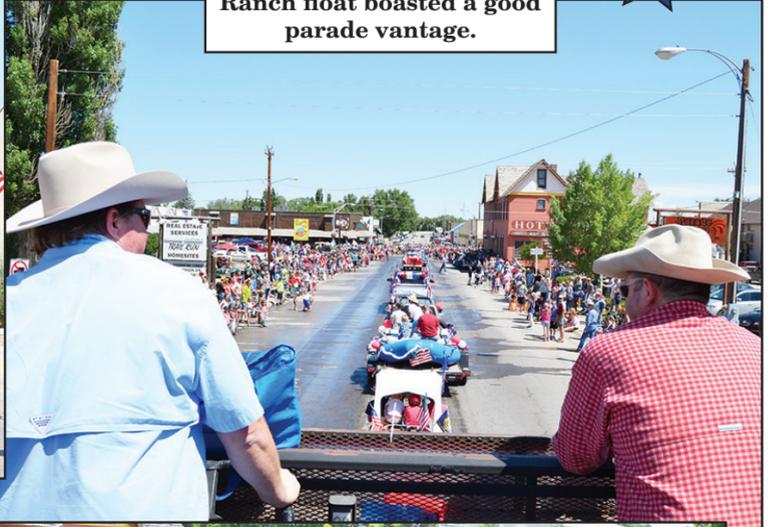


Lydia Blasi doesn't seem to care to have sunscreen applied by mom, Cailin.





The American Legion Post No. 54 color guard lead the parade Tuesday.



The double-decker TA Ranch float boasted a good parade vantage.



Various firetrucks were near the front of the parade.



Smokey the Bear is always a kid favorite.



Immediately after the parade, pies and cakes were auctioned off by Master of Ceremonies Teense Willford.

Tom Arthur lets parade-goers pet his mule, Henry, during the procession.



Jessie Kelton decides which beads to use.



Sullivan and Sawyer Nelson work on painting paper plates.



Kids got a chance to play with beads, ribbons and paint at the Kids Art tent on Veterans Island.



Lizzy Neal, of Golden, CO, works on her Kids Art project Tuesday.



Folks lined up for hot dogs, burgers and the fixings on Veterans Island.



Fireworks photos by Fred Broschart



Fireworks lit the sky over the Old Baldy Club Tuesday night.



Mortars were lined up at the Old Baldy Club Tuesday.