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**Father's Day
is June 15!**

Nancy & Scott's Europe Viking River Cruise

By Nancy O'Brien
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Who knew that Dutch people really love pizza? Or that there are over a million bicycles in Amsterdam, and the population is about 800,000? These were some of our first impressions of that vibrant city on the first day of a great adventure for my husband Scott and me.

Germany, Holland, France — enticed by ad on 'Downton Abbey'

Over a year ago, we decided to go abroad, but had no idea where to begin. Being big fans of *Downton Abbey*, we saw the commercials for Viking River Cruises, and decided to check it out. We perused the Viking website over and over, trying to decide which cruise was the best fit for us, and we finally picked the Rhine Getaway. Viking arranges

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This 30-foot Douglas Skater racing boat owned by Michael Landis of Charlotte, N.C., participated in the offshore racing demonstration. The Village of Lake George and Performance Marine in Bolton co-sponsored the event.

Performance racers had their LG day

On Saturday, May 17. Sunday had sailboats, too. **More pix ▶ 17-18**

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Painted Pony: New York State High School Rodeo Finals, May 30-31 ▶ 12



Elvis Fest in LG

More than 60 'Elvi' in town ▶ 28

Americade: What's new

By David Cederstrom
Chronicle Staff Writer

"The biggest fireworks show that has ever been up here" will be among the highlights and strategic changes when the 32nd Americade motorcycle touring rally returns to Lake George Monday, June 2, through Saturday, June 7.

Bill Dutcher, who founded

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'Region's biggest fireworks show ever' & a higher profile overall

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