Missed Iowa Pageants

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“World’s Largest” flea market, What Cheer, Iowa 1996
Ballerinas, Blairstown, Iowa 1996
County festival princess, Blairstown, Iowa 1996
Lap counter, Muscatine County Fair, West Liberty, Iowa 1996
Good Friday, Cedar Rapids, Iowa 1996
BBQ Roundup, Cedar Rapids, Iowa 1996
Collector at auto parts swap meet, Cedar Rapids, Iowa 1994
Festival of Flags, Brooklyn, Iowa 1996
Shriners, Columbus Day parade, Columbus Junction, Iowa 1994
Horse auction, Iowa State Fairgrounds, Des Moines, Iowa 1995
Marching band, Columbus Junction, Iowa 1994
St. Joseph Fun Days, Marion, Iowa 1995
These images are part of an ongoing project documenting county fairs, festivals, parades, celebrations and other community events in small towns and cities across Iowa. As commonplace as these gatherings may seem, they provide a photographer the opportunity to observe and record a variety of situations, spectators, participants and byplay that is both characteristic of such events and, for me, visually interesting.