The 4th of July Alaska style

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Sitka Style
Auke Bay Post 25 shows how it is done Auke Bay Style

Seward Style!

Even in the rain!
The Fourth of July—also known as Independence Day or July 4th—has been a federal holiday in the United States since 1941, but the tradition of Independence Day celebrations goes back to the 18th century and the American Revolution. On July 2nd, 1776, the Continental Congress voted in favor of independence, and two days later delegates from the 13 colonies adopted the Declaration of Independence, a historic document drafted by Thomas Jefferson. From 1776 to the present day, July 4th has been celebrated as the birth of American independence.
A month after the second most powerful earthquake ever was recorded, the Alaska port community of Valdez remained in ruins. A hulking Alaska National Guard cargo plane’s mission on April 25, 1964, was to deliver Gov. William Egan to oversee efforts to rebuild the town on a new site after the magnitude 9.2 earthquake. After dropping off Egan and surveyors, the twin-engine Fairchild C-123J Provider took off in a heavy snowstorm to return to Anchorage carrying the Guard’s adjutant general, Maj. Gen. Thomas P. Carroll, and three others. Three minutes later and about a mile due west of where more than 30 people died when the earthquake ripped apart the city dock, the plane struck the water head-on, at full speed, killing all on board. Despite rescue efforts, it quickly sank to the bottom of Prince William Sound. Also killed in the crash were Lt. Col. Thomas Norris Jr., the pilot; Maj. James Rowe, co-pilot; and Tech. Sgt. Kenneth Wayne Ayers Sr., flight engineer.

Sights from the Valdez boat harbor and the Valdez Veterans Memorial Park

If you look close you can see the hose. Glenallen is still "drying out" from the flood.
More 4th of July the Homer Way

4th of July North Pole style!
Then we had the DICE RUN

American Legion Riders Chapter 30 hosted "The Dice Run" to raise money for the Legacy Scholarship in Steve Huisman's name.