

'Lights on the Lake' caps off busy Independence Day

Beaches and boats were packed for South Lake Tahoe's "Lights on the Lake" Fourth of July firework display last evening.



"Lights on the Lake" seen from Lakeview Commons.

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Starting just before 10pm, the 24-minute display was set to digitized streamed music by KRLT 93.9 and KOWL1490.

The annual fireworks display received a lot of national attention this year, being recommended by several travel and news sites, including ABC News, MSN and The Discovery Channel.

The event capped off an Independence Day that started with the city's first July 4 parade to honor American veterans and their families, followed by an afternoon barbecue at the Recreation Complex.



The parade, which traveled the two-mile stretch of Highway 50 between Stateline and Rufus Allen Boulevard starting at 10am, featured more than 30 vehicles, most decorated with flags for

the holiday, and hundreds of spectators lining the highway waving flags.



"Lights on the Lake" finale.

The festivities continue through the busy weekend, including the Live at Lakeview Summer Music Series starting today from 4-8:30pm at Lakeview Commons; "God of Carnage," at the Valhalla Boathouse Theater July 5-7 at 7:30pm each evening; the Cool Car, Truck, and Motorcycle Cruise at the Heavenly Village, Stateline from 5-8pm July 6; Squaw Valley's 11th annual Soaring Kites and Music Festival July 7, noon-5pm; and the Truckee Tahoe Air Fair & Family Festival, July 7 from 7am to 4pm and featuring fly-bys and hot air balloons.

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