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The National Cherry Festival offers events for children and the young-at-heart all week. Left, a child builds a cookie tower and above, a man puts the final touches on a sand sculpture.

Cherry Memories

My most fond memory is sitting on the beach at Grandma and Grandpa Curtiss's house watching the fireworks. My husband and I would join all the other family and friends there, build a big bon fire on the beach and roast hot dogs and marshmallows. We would bring our blankets and cuddle to keep warm as the breeze would be chilly, and Grandma Curtiss made sure we all had plenty to eat! We'd "ooh" and "aah" at the picture book evening. After the fireworks were over, we would stay at the beach and talk, waiting for all the traffic to filter out of town. We miss those days, and now at the NCF Fireworks, we reminisce and wish our 10-year-old daughter could have enjoyed her great grandma and great grandpa at this annual event.

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