



Taking it easy in their mobile shade to laugh and lunch, Grace LaGrange (left) and Savannah Miller joined the festivities in Grant City Park last Thursday. The 4th of July was celebrated in a big way with a full day of fun activities for all ages. The day began early morning with a fun run and ended with a spectacular fireworks show. (Photo by DeAnn Zwickl)



Runners of all ages showed up bright and early for the day's first event—a one mile and 5K fun run/walk. The run was followed by a day's worth of activities in the Grant City Park sponsored by various local groups.



Perkins County School Foundation members (l-r): Brent Thelander, Robbin Cornelius, Jim (Stumpy) Hendrickson, Rod Cornelius and Steve Tucker serve breakfast.



Hesston Hamm gives just the right touch to his entry in the rib cookoff.



Emcee/DJ Matt Chandler-Smith keeps the crowd informed all day.



Kids enjoyed the water games in the pool.



Demo derby organizer James Deaver twirls up some cotton candy for a fund raiser.



Taylor Turner gives herself a patriotic look in the face painting tent.



Jessica Craig entertains the crowd at the talent show with her rendition of "God Bless