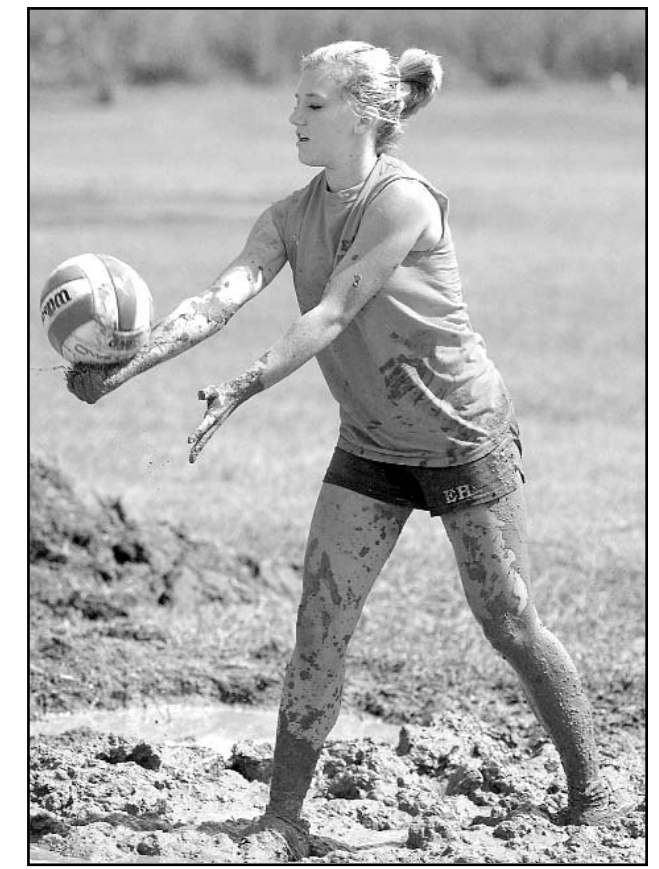
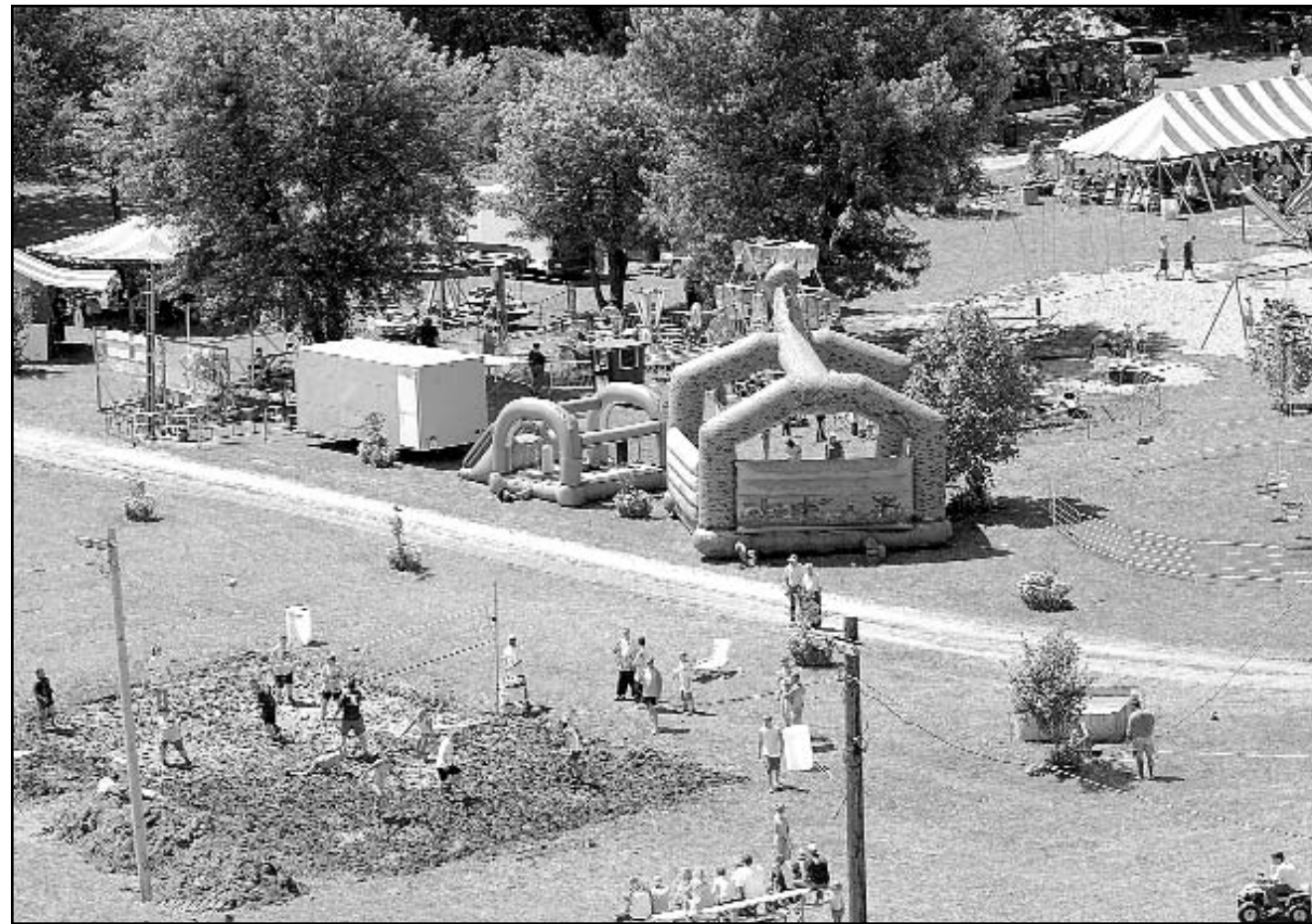


Rain Falls, Sun Shines on Shirley Founders Days



Top left: Nathan Cornett had his face painted and got a balloon hat from clowns Saturday at the festival.
Top right: The 2004 Shirley Founders Days Festival as seen from a helicopter.
Above: Saturday morning's Founders Days parade drew people and dogs alike
Above right: Members of the Shirley-Wilkinson United Methodist Church Children's Choir perform songs during Founders Days opening ceremonies. Pictured (l-r) are Mikenzie Kavanaugh of Shirley, Jon Froman of Wilkinson, Mikayla Kavanaugh of Shirley, Samuel Carlton of Wilkinson, Rachel Froman of Wilkinson, Elizabeth Carlton of Wilkinson, Devon Schaeztle (kneeling) of Knightstown, Kyler Schaeztle of Knightstown, and Kristi Westrich of Shirley.
Bottom right: 2004 Estell Award winners Kyle and Kim Austin (left, center) receive the award from Shirley Clerk-Treasurer Marla Kemerly.

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Top left: Aaron Bertram rides on one of the carnival rides, The Swinger.
Top right: Kara Kramer serves during the annual mud volleyball tourney.
Middle left: Winners of the parade contest line up for a photo.
Middle right: Next Generation performs Bluegrass and Bluegrass Gospel music at the Festival. Performing are Sam Kellermeyer, (l-r) bass, Tera Pruitt, lead singer and rhythm guitar, Thomas Pruitt, guitar and banjo, and Cody Looper, banjo.
Lower left: Sabrina Korlowicz, (l-r) Kara Kramer, Trish Mercer, Lindsey Kirby and Carey Wills clean up after a mud volleyball match.
Lower right: Parade participants show what it would have been like if pioneers used miniature horses to pull their covered wagons.
Bottom left: Fire engines bring up the end of the Shirley Founders Days Festival Parade.