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The employees of Billy's BBQ are pictured celebrating their ranking in the "Where The Locals Eat" restaurant guide. This is the 10th year in a row the restaurant has been ranked by the guide. Billy's BBQ is located at 1000 N. Lincoln Ave. in Muskogee, Oklahoma.