

Kilgore College Rangerettes, At a Glance

Being the First

- Organized in 1940 to keep football fans in their seats and equalize the male/female student population as a small two-year college in the East Texas oil patch
- Gussie Nell Davis recruited as originator and first director; only 2 directors since her retirement in 1979
- First collegiate dance/drill team in the world; pioneered model for all drill teams created since

Becoming a Tradition

- Celebrated 60th Anniversary, 1999-2000
- Celebrated the Golden Anniversary of Cotton Bowl Classic performances in January of 2000
- Celebrated 75th Anniversary, 2014-2015
- Awarded the Texas Medal of Arts in Dance by the Texas Cultural Trust, 2015
- Traveled the world and the United States performing and parading for corporate America as well as audiences that include elected officials, non-profit organizations, community groups, professional entertainers, royal families, and branches of the military
- Cover girls for such publications as **Newsweek, Esquire, Saturday Evening Post, Life** and story features for **Texas Monthly, Southern Living, The Continental, Look, Texas Highways, Big D, Business Progress, Vogue, Sports Illustrated** and **Jane Magazine**.

Setting a Standard

- Known for their distinctive high kick, the Rangerettes are also sought to serve as hostesses, Honor Guards, and Ambassadors for the state of Texas and the United States of America
- Where Rangerettes are, media attention follows
- With pageantry, pride and poise, the Rangerettes create a focal point for any special event