

DIVISION RATING/SWEEPSTAKES--Teams may seek to earn Divisional ratings (I, II, III) on their routines and are competing against themselves and a scoresheet. The judges will give consideration to age, team/school size and ability level along with execution, precision, choreography and presentation of the routine. Teams entered in at least three categories and receiving Division I ratings (86 or above) in each routine, will receive a **SWEEPSTAKES AWARD** (teams may enter more than 3 events). Each team entered in a team category will receive a large trophy, no matter what their rating. *The judges will be making oral comments on cassette tapes as well as numerical scores. Constructive comments and positive reinforcement will be given to each team to support the numerical scores

GUSSIE NELL DAVIS AWARD OF EXCELLENCE--Teams and officers receiving a 90 or above (in each of their routines) from each judge will receive this prestigious award in addition to their Sweepstakes trophy. You must be entered in at least 3 team categories to be eligible.

JUDGES AWARDS--are given at the discretion of the judges and are based on presentation of a routine in the following categories: **JAZZ, KICK, PROP, POM PON, NOVELTY, LYRICAL, MODERN, HIP HOP/FUNK, CO-ED, SHOW PRODUCTION, OPEN & OFFICERS**. In categories where there may be a large number of teams, judges may award more than one "Judges Award". Awards are only given if there is a strong presentation in the category and must have a minimum score of 93 or above from every judge in the category.

SPECIAL AWARDS--Team and officer groups competing in at least three categories and scoring the highest averages will receive **BEST OVERALL PRECISION, BEST OVERALL PRESENTATION, BEST OVERALL CHOREOGRAPHY or BEST OVERALL TECHNIQUE**. These awards are given based on scores in named areas on the scoresheet.

BEST IN CLASS TEAMS --are considered the top winners of the contest. These teams will have their three highest team event scores added together and the highest score will be awarded in the following provided there are at least 3 teams in each division: Lower Elementary (K-3), Intermediate (4-6), Junior Private (7-9), Junior High (6th-9th school), Sr Private, Jr Varsity, Pep Squad, Small Team, Medium Team, Large Team and Super Team. All teams must receive at least 93's and above from every judge to earn this title

BEST OF THE BEST - are considered the OVERALL winners of the contest. Combining all scores / all teams / all divisions.

Some have asked who "Gussie Nell" is that Joyce always talks about – I have added a link if you would like to read about her and the Kilgore Rangerettes. Very interesting. As you will see – in over 50 years, they have only had 3 directors. There are a couple of You Tube links as well

<http://www.rangerette.com/MessageCenterDetail.aspx?ContentID=13>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PXbTRisE0ws&feature=related>

This is the Rangerett Revels – which the end of the year showoff at Kilgore College – all the aulumni attend.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y3E8XPjVKvc&feature=related>