

The bunny hop is enjoyed by both parents and students, like Laura Stokely and Heather Shidell.

Shaking down to the music of the Bops are junior Joy Freas and her father.



A Family Affair

For the fourth year in a row, the Odd Couple's Ball was a sell-out. On March 2, 440 students, parents, and teachers dined on cuisine catered by Raffels, twisted to music by the Be-Bops, and had a grand time from 7:30 to midnight. Sandy Burgoyne, co-chairperson of the dance, said that she could have sold 440 more tickets if it would have been possible and even had to set up a waiting list because of the strong demand.

The dance was sponsored by S.H.A.P.E., the parent and teacher organization, and wholly organized and run by parent volunteers. "We wanted to keep the kids out of it completely because it was for them," commented Burgoyne.

Students in every grade took their moms and dads by the arm and paraded around showing them off to their friends, just like at any other dance. They ate, danced, and gossiped about other couples through-

out the evening. "It's good to see the kids interact with their parents," added Burgoyne.

There were certainly those students who were a bit weary about bringing a parent to a social function, especially one where they had to spend the whole evening entertaining them. Normally it could have been compared to some sort of awful Medieval torture. But when all was over, they actually realized that their parents were even, dare I say, cool. "I know I dreaded bringing my dad to the dance, but he was looking forward to it so much, that I couldn't get out of it. Once I got there and saw everyone else with their parents, I relaxed and had a good time," said Julie Feldman.

Having a good time was the whole point of Odd Couple's Ball and that is what has kept parents and students coming for four years. That is also why it has become such a well loved tradition and will continue to be a success in the future.

by Alison Ogle



Delicately handing Mom a beautiful corsage is smiling son, Michael Webb.

