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two students from each class run a length while attached to each other at the leg, came at 5:30 p.m. in front of Vann. Seniors captured first place in this event.

Around 5:45 p.m., students gathered in front of the dining hall to witness and participate in a new event—the dunking booth. This event replaced the sponge toss. Thompson said that she liked the dunking booth and called it “more fun than the sponge toss.”

Each class had four representatives to try and dunk the person of each class choosing. Participants first got to practice throwing the softball at the target.

Freshmen chose to dunk history and politics Department Head Michael Novak, a feat they did twice. Sophomores attempted to dunk their class adviser, Jo Guglielmi, math and computer science acting head. However, they were unsuccessful.

Juniors dunked Thad O'Briant, director of campus dining services, once. Seniors dunked Campus Police Chief Mike Hoke once. Ultimately, freshmen placed first in this event.

The balloon toss in front of Vann allows for three pairs from each class to toss a water-filled balloon from as great a distance as possible. Freshmen again captured first place in the balloon toss.

Tug of War began around 6:15 p.m. in front of Brewer Residence Hall. Each class had 10 people on a team. Team members could wear gloves, and the anchor person could wrap the rope around her body for support. Freshmen and sophomores competed first, beginning when a MRA Stunt co-chair said, “Go!” Freshmen beat the sophomores. However, due to the noise, Parsons reminded the audience to remain silent to allow the teams to hear the cue. She said that sophomores could not hear the command because of the noise. Seniors then beat the juniors, sophomores beat the juniors and freshmen beat the seniors.

Lip Sync began shortly after 6:30 p.m. Five judges, Chrissie Bumgardner, director of first year experience; Hatsy Nittoli, of the foreign language department; Carol Brown, of the physical education department; Diane Ellis, of the human environmental sciences department and Carol Snodgrass, of the continuing education office, watched and judged the performances. In appreciation, each judge will receive a Stunt T-shirt from MRA when the shirts arrive.

Classes are allowed one minute to set up and three minutes to perform from the first to the last word sung.

Freshmen started with the theme “Decades of the Lady.” They lip synched to songs from the 1970s, 80s and 90s, including “Ladies' Night” and “Lady in Red.” Blackman said of Lip Sync, “Other classes were real supportive of us.” She noted that there was not as much competition between classes as she expected.

Sophomores performed next with the theme “Fabulous Fives.” The class of 2001 gave their take on groups like the Backstreet Boys, N'Sync, New Kids on the Block and the Spice Girls. Their songs included “Wannabe” and “Backstreet's Back,” and each song had a choreographed dance.

Juniors' lip sync was “Meredith through the Ages.” One person lip synched while other class members, dressed in clothes from different decades, danced to songs from those decades. For the 1940s, they performed to “Jump, Jive and Wail.”

Seniors finished the competition with their lip sync, “The Wonderful World of Meredith.” While class adviser Charles Davis stood on stage dressed as Mickey Mouse, many seniors walked across stage in their caps and gowns, each shaking hands with Davis. Disney songs such as “Let's Get Together” and “Hakuta Matata” played as seniors portrayed their years at Meredith.

Parsons said that Lip Sync was her favorite event because “people work the hardest on this. Everyone did really well.”

After a 15-minute break to tally up the results, Thompson and Parsons announced the results, leading up to Lip Sync. In the Lip Sync competition, sophomores placed first, followed by seniors, freshmen and juniors.

Overall, juniors placed fourth, sophomores placed third, freshmen placed second, and, for the second year in a row, the class of 1999 placed first.

McKinney said, “We were very happy with the way everyone did.” She commented on the success and hard work of all the classes.

This was Thompson's second year as MRA Stunt co-chair. She enjoys Stunt because it is “less stressful” than other activities. She also noted that people are not as uptight and are not as competitive at Stunt. “I'm very glad it turned out the way it did,” Thompson said of the day.

## 1999 MRA Stunt Results

## LIMBO

1st Place: Seniors  
2nd Place: (Tie)  
Sophomores & Freshmen  
4th Place: Juniors

## BAT SPIN

1st Place: Seniors  
2nd Place: Sophomores  
3rd Place: Freshmen  
4th Place: Juniors

## 3-LEGGED RACE

1st Place: Seniors  
2nd Place: Sophomores  
3rd Place: Freshmen  
4th Place: Juniors

## DUNKING BOOTH

1st Place: Freshmen  
2nd Place: (Tie)  
Juniors & Seniors  
4th Place: Sophomores

## BALLOON TOSS

1st Place: Freshmen  
2nd Place: Seniors  
3rd Place: Juniors  
4th Place: Sophomores

## TUG OF WAR

1st Place: Freshmen  
2nd Place: Seniors  
3rd Place: Sophomores  
4th Place: Juniors

## LIP SYNC

1st Place: Sophomores  
2nd Place: Seniors  
3rd Place: Freshmen  
4th Place: Juniors

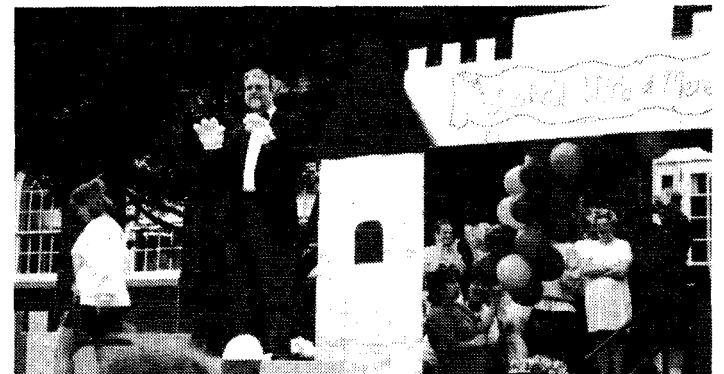
## OVERALL

1st Place: Seniors  
2nd Place: Freshmen  
3rd Place: Sophomores  
4th Place: Juniors

CONGRATS TO  
EACH CLASS.  
YOU GO  
TOGETHER!

Below: Mike Hoke, Thad O'Briant and Michael Novak pose before being dunked. Top right: Class of 2001 performs the opening to their Lip Sync. Bottom right: Charles Davis fills in for Mickey as the Class of 1999 leaves the “Wonderful World of Meredith.”

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## 77th Crook Hunt held

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This year's crook hunt began and ended last Wednesday, Apr. 14 after the first clue was given earlier that morning.

Ever since 1906, with a hiatus from 1913 to 1929, seniors have hidden a wooden crook from the juniors every spring.

The executive board from the class of 1999 set out late Tuesday night to hide the crook. According to Wendy Holman, senior class secretary, the board hid the crook around 3:30 a.m. Wednesday morning.

At 8 a.m., the first clue went up in the dining hall for all students to see. Usually, a clue goes up on the wall every day for the duration of the hunt, one week.

The same clue is used every year for the first clue: “Round and round you go. Where the crook is,

no one knows but Ginger, Melinda, Wendy, Celia and Jennifer.”

According to Erin Grant, junior class president, she and Christy White went down to the McIver Amphitheater after their 8 a.m. classes. They searched the woods, near the bridges and finally walked to the gazebo. At that time, Grant said that they saw something floating in the water.

At 10 a.m., Grant returned to the amphitheater with some other juniors including Charlotte Philen and Susan Spencer. Together, they fished the object out of the water only to discover that it was the crook.

Around 11 a.m., they presented the crook to senior class Historian Jennifer West at her room; however, the juniors still thought it was one of the fakes.

The senior class executive board had hidden the crook wrapped in a garbage bag under-

neath a bridge.

Usually, the seniors also hide fake crooks for the juniors to find. Holman said that this year's executive board chose not to hide any fakes.

Because the juniors found the crook, the crook will be brought into Class Day with a black ribbon tied around it. Had it not been found, the senior class colors, a rainbow, would have been tied around the crook.

Senior Class President Ginger Hudson said, “We had fun searching for spots to hide it.”

Grant said, “We had a lot of fun in our assigned area. I wish it could have lasted longer so more of the class could have participated.”

Holman said that the executive board appreciated all the support from the seniors. “We've had amazing support from our class,” she said.