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## **Beautiful Weather for Jericho's Homecoming Celebration**

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Woody, SpongeBob and Nemo were cruising around the Jericho Middle School/High School campus Saturday afternoon.

The characters were part of the Homecoming floats created by each of the classes – freshman, *Toy Story*; sophomores, *Sponge Bob*; juniors, *Finding Nemo*, Seniors, *Up* and the Middle School, *Sponge Bob*.

Festivities kicked off on Friday, Sept. 16 with a carnival complete with rides and games, which continued into Saturday. The football game was the main attraction on Saturday, as the Jericho Jayhawks beat Bellmore.

During halftime, the parade, which included the Board of Education, Jericho Teacher's Association, school administrators, high school student council, the Jayettes, the band, students and others, marched through campus and around the track. Homecoming king Arian Soroush and queen Danielle Cervoni were crowned and their court introduced during halftime and the Jayettes and cheerleaders entertained the crowd.

The Jericho High School Student Council, Spirit Club, Blue Key, World Language Honor Societies and a host of other clubs sold a variety of items to raise funds to support the high school scholarship fund and other community service organizations.

“Homecoming 2011 was a tremendous success! It was wonderful to see so many of our families come out to support our annual event,” said Joe Prisinzano, principal of Jericho High School.

Other sporting events added to the excitement including the Joseph Farrell Memorial Swim Meet and a win for the boys varsity soccer team on Friday.

“This years Homecoming weekend was a tremendous success. We were able to schedule the majority of our varsity teams to play at Jericho on Friday and Saturday and our student body came out and showed wonderful support for our athletic programs,” said John Mankowich, Jericho's Curriculum Associate for Health, Physical Education and Athletics. “The weekend culminated with our varsity football team playing their first home game since 2009. Scheduling our annual Joe Farrell Memorial Swim Meet during Homecoming provided a boost for this great cause.”



**Homecoming king Arian Soroush and queen Danielle Cervoni wave to their fans.**