President Larry Bacow (far right) and his wife Adele laugh as seniors Tyler Duckworth and Stacy Ulrich trade their Homecoming King and Queen crowns.

Despite weather, Homecoming a success

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Students and alumni braved wind and rain to celebrate Homecoming this weekend. Tailgating began at 11 a.m. on Saturday and a near-capacity crowd watched the Tufts football team beat Bowdoin 26-7 that afternoon.

The most suspense came during the halftime show, when Senior Eugenia Vandoros threw a football for a chance at $40,000. Standing 17 yards from a hole ten inches wide, Vandoros missed the target.

Although three students were supposed to compete, no other contestants came to the field after organizers called out six names. The names were chosen in a raffle after free tickets were distributed to game spectators.

“The purpose behind the contest was to draw people to the parade,” said Spirit Coalition Co-Chair Caroline Kennedy. “Even though it was pouring, there were more at the parade than years past.”

Six floats and seven banners competed in the parade, which was held before the football game. The freshman class won the float contest and the sophomore class took second place.

During halftime, University President Larry Bacow and his wife Adele crowned seniors Tyler Duckworth and Stacy Ulrich homecoming king and queen (pictured). After they were crowned, Ulrich and Duckworth traded their new headgear and revealed cross-dress attire.

The Homecoming events began with a Pep Rally on Thursday night, when 375 people gathered at the Campus Center to support athletic teams. On Friday, the University’s fraternities and sororities sponsored a block party on Fletcher Field.

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