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GRINOLD CHAPTER NEW ENGLAND DIVISION III FOOTBALL WEEKLY RANKINGS RELEASED

BUZZARDS BAY, Mass. -- The third Grinold Chapter New England Division III football weekly rankings of the 2016 season have been released, and Western New England holds the top spot in the poll for a third straight week.

The Golden Bears received 11 votes to top second place Salve Regina (who received the other first place vote) in this week's rankings, while Trinity stands in third place. Middlebury and Tufts round out the top five, followed by Plymouth State, Amherst, Husson, Framingham State and Bridgewater State.

The New England Division III Football Poll is presented by the Jack Grinold Eastern Massachusetts Chapter of the National Football Foundation, which also serves as the title sponsor of the weekly Gold Helmet Awards presented by the New England Football Writers Association throughout the season.

A 12-member panel representing all four New England Division III playing conferences will serve as voters in this year's poll, and rankings will be released each Monday afternoon through November 14th. Members of this year's voting panel are **E.J. Mills (Amherst), JB Wells (Bowdoin), Jay Civetti (Tufts), Tom Kelley (Framingham State), Paul Castonia (Plymouth State), Pat Haverty (Fitchburg State), Skip Bandini (Curry), Chad Martinovich (MIT), Kevin Gilmartin (Salve Regina), Gabby Price (Husson), Tony Volpone (Castleton) and Mike Landers (Mount Ida).**

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GRINOLD CHAPTER NEW ENGLAND DIVISION III FOOTBALL POLL
Week #3 – October 10, 2016 (First Place Votes In Parentheses)

| <u>Rank</u> | <u>School (FPV)</u> | <u>Record</u> | <u>Points</u> | <u>Previous Rank</u> |
|--------------------|----------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1 | Western New England (11) | 5-0 | 119 | 1 |
| 2 | Salve Regina (1) | 4-0 | 105 | 3 |
| 3 | Trinity | 3-0 | 88 | 4 |
| 4 | Middlebury | 3-0 | 86 | 5 |
| 5 | Tufts | 3-0 | 60 | 8 |
| 6 | Plymouth State | 4-1 | 53 | 6 |
| 7 | Amherst | 2-1 | 46 | 2 |
| 8 | Husson | 4-1 | 39 | 10 |
| 9 | Framingham State | 4-2 | 32 | 9 |
| 10 | Bridgewater State | 4-2 | 17 | RV |

Also Receiving Votes: WPI (8), Massachusetts Maritime (1), Springfield (1)