

NATIONAL FOOTBALL Foundation

Jack Grinold Eastern Massachusetts Chapter

Chapter Newsletter

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After a mild and relatively snow free winter, the activities of the Jack Grinold/Eastern Massachusetts Chapter are hitting full-stride this time of year. In March our Scholar-Athlete selection committee will meet and perform its very difficult task. In April the annual *New Balance* Grinold Chapter Coaches Clinic will be held at Boston College, and in May we will hold our 41st annual Scholar-Athlete Banquet.

Fleming & Reynolds Named Chapter Award Recipients



Kevin Fleming

Long-time Belmont HIII football and hockey coach **Kevin Fleming** and businessman and former football official **Robert Reynolds** have been named the recipients of the 2016 Ed Schluntz Contributions to Amateur Football and Ron Burton Distinguished American Awards presented by the Grinold Chapter.

Fleming spent 23 years as the varsity football coach at Belmont Hill, compiling a 139-46-2 record (.750 winning percentage). His teams have won six ISL championships in nine trips to the title game, and twice Belmont Hill was the New England champion during his tenure. The New

England Prep school football championship has been named the "Kevin Fleming Bowl" in his honor.

Fleming is no stranger to awards, having been named to Halls of Fame by Brookline High School (where he played and was an assistant coach for eight years), and both the Massachusetts High School Football and Ice Hockey Coaches Associations. He has received similar recognition by the New England Prep School Hall of Fame.

During his time as head coach, Fleming nominated 15 Belmont Hill football players who were selected as Scholar-Athletes by the Grinold Chapter.

Reynolds currently serves as President of the Putnam Funds and is President and CEO of Great-West Financial, one of the nation's top providers of retirement savings products and services, life insurance, annuities, and executive benefits products.

Reynolds currently serves on several not-for-profit boards, including those of West Virginia University Foundation, Concord Museum, Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, Nantucket Cottage Hospital, and the U.S. Ski and Snowboard Association Foundation. He is Chairman of the Boston Advisory Board of the American Ireland Fund, a member of the Massachusetts General Hospital President's Council, and a member of the Chief Executives Club of Boston and the Council on Competitiveness.



Robert Reynolds

Fleming & Reynolds Named Chapter Award Recipients (continued)

Mr. Reynolds earned a B.S. in Business Administration, Finance from West Virginia University, where he also received an Honorary Doctorate in Business Administration and a Distinguished Alumni Award. In addition, Mr. Reynolds is a recipient of the Boston College President's Medal of Excellence and the Manhattan College De La Salltinued)e Medal.

In addition to his business acumen, Reynolds was a high school football official for 15 years. He was a finalist for the position of Commissioner of the National Football League following the retirement of Paul Taglibue.

Endicott's Anderson Named Daly Award Recipient

Endicott College defensive tackle **Craig Anderson**, a 2013 Scholar-Athlete selection of the Jack Griold Chapter, has been named the recipient of the fifth annual Jack Daly Award for Academics, Citizenship and Football.



Anderson, a junior from Franklin, has had a strong career on the field for Endicott. He was the New England Football Conference (NEFC) Rookie of the Year as a freshman, was a second team all-conference pick as a sophomore and a first team selection in 2015 when he led the Conference in sacks with nine.

In the classroom Anderson is a Criminal Justice major. For the 2015 season he was selected a first-team Academic All-America by the College Sports Information Directors of America and has been a two time member of the NEFC All-Academic team (freshmen are not eligible under Conference rules).

Anderson has also continued the interest he has in community service he began in high school. He coordinated the Pennies for Patients fund raiser for Children's Hospital, and has served as a Pop Warner football and recreation basketball coach. He has also assisted in the organization of a Santa Foundation fundraiser, and working with his teammates has raised over \$10,000 over a two-year span with the Relay for Life. Other community service activities include participating in spring clean-up for the elderly in Beverly, Endicott College Buddies, and the YMCA Christmas 5K.

Anderson is the first Endicott student-athlete to receive the Daly Award. The award will be presented at the 41st Annual Chapter Scholar-Athlete banquet on May 15.



New Balance Coaches Clinic Set for April 2

The annual *New Balance* Jack Grinold/Eastern Massachusetts Coaches Clinic will be held Saturday, April 2, in the Yawkey Building at Boston College. A sellout crowd of 300 coaches is



expected to hear the six clinicians, followed by attendance at the Boston College spring practice that day.

Clinicians scheduled to speak are Boston College Offensive Coordinator **Scott Loeffler** and Defensive Coordinator **Jim Reid**, Harvard University Offensive Coordinator **Joel Lamb** and Defensive Coordinator **Scott Larkee**, Amherst College Head Coach **E.J. Mills** and retired University of Maine Head Coach **Jack Cosgrove**. In addition, members of the Boston College Strength and Conditioning Department will be available for consultation throughout the morning. For further information, log into <u>http://www.grinoldchapter.com/chapter-coaches-clinic.html</u>.

New Balance Coaches Clinic Set for April 2 (continued)

Our thanks go out to Chapter Board Member **Jim Davis** and *New Balance* for their continued sponsorship of the clinic. Additional sponsors are the Massachusetts State High School Football Coaches Association and Championship Award Guys. Additionally the support of Boston College Director of Athletics **Brad Bates**, Head Coach **Steve Addazio** and Associate Athletic Director of Football Relations **Barry Gallup** have been invaluable in the continued growth and success of the clinic.

May 15 Set for Annual Scholar-Athlete Banquet

The 41st annual Jack Grinold/Eastern Massachusetts Chapter Scholar Athlete Banquet will be held Sunday, May 15 at the Boston/Newton Marriott. The banquet will feature the 33 High School Scholar-Athletes that will be selected in late March, and the presentation of the Daly, Schluntz and Burton Awards. Boston College play-by-play



announcer **Jon Meter-Parel** will return as the Master of Ceremonies. The festivities will start with a reception at 5:00, followed by dinner at 6:00. Ticket information is available at <u>http://www.grinoldchapter.com/annual-scholar-athlete-banguet.html</u>.

Grinold Challenge Again Underway



For the fourth consecutive year the man for whom the Chapter is named has issued a challenge to the membership. **Jack Grinold** has offered to match any donation to the chapter over and above membership dues. Jack will match donations up to a cumulative \$3000. I request that each of you take a look and see what you might be able to donate and help us build the Chapter's treasury. You should know that of the \$40.00 yearly dues to the NFF, the chapter is rebated only \$10.00 for each member. Obviously any way we can bring in more money to the Chapter is important.

Thanks to those who have contributed and for those who haven't, if you wish to contribute, you can mail your check Made out to "Jack Grinold Chapter NFF" to:

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