

NATIONAL FOOTBALL FOUNDATION

Jack Grinold Eastern Massachusetts Chapter

Chapter Newsletter

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It is amazing how quickly time passes. It seems like only yesterday we were celebrating our scholar-athletes and special award winners at a truly remarkable Chapter Awards Banquet. Now we've gone through another summer and are halfway through the 2017 football season. The Chapter leadership has been busy, and we'd like to catch you up on some of the activities.

MAIMARON SNARES NATIONAL HONOR



Bobby Maimaron Addressing the 2017 Scholar-Athlete Awards Banquet

The biggest news of the year is that 2017 Chapter Scholar-Athlete **Bobby Maimaron** of Duxbury and now Williams College was selected as the Northeast Region Scholar-Athlete of the Year. Bobby will be honored with the other four regional recipients at the National Football Foundation Annual Awards Banquet in New York in December. Bobby is the third recipient of the award from the Grinold Chapter in the past seven years, following in the footsteps of **Nick Peabody** of Barnstable in 2013 and **Matt Costello** of Everett in 2011.

As he did in high school, Bobby took over as the starting quarterback at Williams as a freshman. He has led the Ephs to a 4-1 record, completing 87 of 147 passes (.592) for 1090 yards and nine touchdowns. His scoring strike on the game's final play enabled Williams to knock off previously undefeated Middlebury 27-26.

Chapter President Bob Holmes will represent the Chapter at the Awards Luncheon.

CHAPTER SPONSORS GOLD HELMET AND COACHES POLL

For the third year the Grinold Chapter has partnered with the New England Football Writers Association to sponsor that organization's weekly and seasonal Gold Helmet Awards. The weekly awards are given to the outstanding performer of that week's games in both the College (Divisions II & III) and University (FBS & FCS)

Divisions. The seasonal awards are given to the players deemed to be the most valuable player over the course of the season in the University and College Divisions.

2015 Grinold Chapter Scholar-Athlete **Nick Athy** of Bentley University was named the recipient of the College Division Gold Helmet Award for the week of September 23rd. Athy, who played at Holliston, had a hand in five of the six turnovers that the Falcons caused in a 40-21 Bentley victory over then ninth rankled LIU Post. Athy picked off two passes, recovered two fumbles and forced a third. He also had eight tackles, an additional pass break up and his end zone interception with Bentley clinging to a 26-21 third quarter lead changed the momentum in the game.





The Chapter will also sponsor the New England Division III Coaches Poll for the second consecutive year. Many thanks go to **Jim Seavey** for volunteering to organize, compile and publicize the poll.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS ADDS TWO NEW MEMBERS

The Board of Directors of the Chapter welcomes two new members. 2017 Ron Burton Distinguished American Award recipient **Sal Lupoli** and **Mark Leonard** have each agreed to join the Board.



Mark Leonard

Sal, who captained Northeastern his senior year, is a successful entrepreneur with mutli-faceted interests ranging from urban development to hospitality. His acceptance speech for the Burton Award, delivered without a note, was one of the most inspirational addresses we've ever had the privilege of experiencing.

Mark, who was the captain of Chapter member **Tom Kelley**'s first football team at Framingham State, recently retired as a Senior Vice President



Sal Lupoli

and General Manager of Fidelity Investments in Merrimack, NH.

We look very much forward to the contributions these two gentlemen will make to the Chapter.

EXECUTIVE BOARD UPDATE

At the summer executive Board meeting, the recipients of the 2018 Burton and Schluntz Awards were selected. The honorees will be announced at the Board of Directors meeting in December.

The Executive Board also agreed to raise the cost of banquet admission to \$75.00 per person. The increase of \$5.00 over the 2017 price was necessitated by an increase in the cost of the meal price at the Boston/Newton Marriott. The date of the banquet will be Sunday, May 20, with a reception beginning at 5:00PM and the

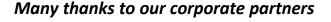


FOUNDATION UNVEILS 70TH ANNIVERSARY LOGO

The National Football Foundation has proudly unveiled a series of logos celebrating the 70th Anniversary of the organization.

MEMBERSHIP

Our Chapter membership has dropped from a high of 96 members to 86. We ask that each member attempt to enlist one new member. Membership information is available at www.grinoldchapter.com/membership.html.









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