

# NATIONAL FOOTBALL FOUNDATION

Jack Grinold Eastern Massachusetts Chapter

## Chapter Newsletter

### Fall, 2013

It's hard to believe that we've nearly reached the midpoint of another football season. We've been treated with glorious football weather and some truly great and exciting games at all levels. As the leaves turn and eventually fall, I wanted to keep you up to date on some very exciting Jack Grinold Eastern Massachusetts Chapter news.

#### Peabody Named NFF Scholar-Athlete

Our biggest news is that Nick Peabody, one of our 2013 high school scholarathletes has been selected by the National Football Foundation as one of five national recipients of the NFF High School Scholar- Athlete Award. Those of you who attended our Scholar-Athlete Banquet last May will remember Nick as the young man who gave the acceptance speech for all 34 of our high school honorees. Nick, an all-state quarterback and class valedictorian at Barnstable High School, is currently a freshman at Princeton, and will be feted with the four other national scholar athletes at the Waldorf Astoria in New York City on December 10. Nick and the others will receive their awards at a luncheon that afternoon, and then will be recognized a second time at the NFF Awards Banquet that evening. It is a truly remarkable event and we could not be prouder of or happier for Nick.



You may recall that one of the 2011 NFF High School Scholar-Athlete award winners was Matt Costello of Everett. For the Grinold Chapter to have two recipients of this incredible honor in three years is a truly remarkable accomplishment, and our thanks and congratulations go to Ed Schluntz and his committee for their outstanding work that makes these honors possible.

#### grinoldchapter.com

Our second bit of big news is that the Grinold Chapter finally has a website. Grinoldchapter.com was launched several weeks ago with absolutely no fanfare. It remains a work in progress, and I hope to have it fully functional by the end of the year. As we move forward the site will have information on our annual Coaches Clinic and the Scholar-Athlete Banquet, as well as having news items.

#### **Scholar-Athlete Banquet Changes**

Item number three is also relatively big news for the Chapter. After much discussion, we have decided to move the date and location of our Chapter Awards Banquet. Our traditional date has been the second Monday of May, and our traditional location was Lombardo's in Randolph. Our new date will be the first Sunday in May, and the site for 2014 will be the Newton Marriott at the intersection of Interstate 90 and Route 128. We decided to switch the



#### **Scholar-Athlete Banquet Changes (continued)**

banquet to a Sunday for two major reasons. The first is that each year at least one of our honorees is unable to attend due to a conflicting high school athletic event. By moving to a Sunday, we eliminate that problem. The second reason is that we found that Monday rush hour traffic was making it difficult for people to make the beginning of the banquet. The date for 2014 will be May 4.

#### Grinold Challenge Raises \$2,400 For Chapter

The second Jack Grinold Challenge has officially ended. Thanks to donations from a number of our members, between the donated money and Jack's generous match, we've added \$2,400 to our treasury. Thanks again to all of you who contributed, and special thanks to Jack for his generosity.

#### Former Chapter Scholar-Athlete Arthur Lynch Stars at UGA



Several weeks ago the *New York Times* ran the photo to the left of University of Georgia tight end Arthur Lynch scoring a touchdown in the Bulldogs' win over South Carolina. Arthur was one of the Chapter's Scholar-Athletes in 2009, and is the grandson of long-time Chapter member Carlin Lynch. Arthur's accolades this year include being named to preseason watch list for the Mackey Award, named to the Athlon All-America Preseason Second Team, Preseason Media Days All-SEC First Team, Lindy's Preseason All-SEC First Team, Athlon Preseason All-SEC First Team, Phil Steele's Preseason All-SEC First Team and Sporting News Preseason All-SEC Team.

2013 Grinold Chapter Scholar Athletes making an impact in their first year of collegiate competition include:

- Craig Anderson, Franklin HS, Endicott DL, 29 tackles through five games including 3.5 for losses
- Chance Brady, Haverhill HS, Tufts RB, 132 yards rushing, 22 yards receiving and 23 yards on returns in three games
- Evan Boynton, Concord-Carlisle HS, Amherst DB, one tackle in two games
- Vincent Burton, Blue Hills HS, Stonehill DE, four games, three tackles, two sacks
- Patrick Fabrizio, Newton South, Bowdoin DL, one tackle in one game
- Brendan Flaherty, Beverly HS, Holy Cross RB, one game, five carries, 27 yards
- Dewey Jarvis, Belmont Hill, Brown DL, one tackle in two games
- Alex Jette, North Attleboro HS, Brown KR, averaging 20.8 yards on four punt returns in two games
- Nick Peabody, Barnstable HS, Princeton QB, playing on the JV team
- Michael Rando, Walpole HS, Tufts WR/KR, averaging 138.7 all-purpose yards through three games
- Mike Sterns, Framingham HS, Tufts DB, 27 tackles in three games

#### Gridiron Club to Honor Pete Brock 10/16

The Gridiron Club of Greater Boston will hold its 18h Annual NFL Legends Dinner on Wednesday, October 16 at the Burlington Marriott. New England Patriots Hall of Fame center Pete Brock will be honored by the group as its Man of the Year, with guests to include Steve Grogan, Matt Light and Steve Nelson. For further information go to: http://gridclubofgreaterboston.com/events/man-of-the-year-dinner-2.html