

# Jack Grinold Eastern Massachusetts Chapter



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## 33 HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLAR-ATHLETES NAMED CHAPTER AWARD RECIPIENTS

33 scholar-athletes representing 26 different high schools have been selected as the 2014 Scholar-Athletes by the Jack Grinold Eastern Massachusetts Chapter of the National Football Foundation.

The High School Scholar-Athlete Awards are given to those graduating seniors in the Chapter footprint who have achieved excellence on the gridiron, in the classroom, and in the community.

In making the announcement of the award winners, Selection Committee Chair **Bob Bancroft** noted the difficult decisions that had to be made by the committee.

"We had 49 applications for the 33 slots," Bancroft said. "That's among our highest totals ever, and the qualifications of the candidates were truly outstanding. While all of the young men met our criteria for selection, this group truly represents the best of the best."

Seven schools had two recipients each. They were Barnstable; Buckingham, Browne & Nichols; St. Sebastian's; Mansfield; Marshfield; and, Milton Academy.

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## MASSACHUSETTS MARITIME ACADEMY LINE- MAN MORIARTY TO RECEIVE DALY AWARD



Massachusetts Maritime Academy offensive lineman **John Moriarty** has been selected as the third annual winner of the *Jack Daly Award for Academics, Citizenship and Football* as presented by the Jack Grinold Eastern Massachusetts Chapter of the National Football Foundation.

"John Moriarty is the perfect embodiment of the type of student, athlete and citizen we had in mind when we created the Jack Daly Award three years ago." Grinold Chapter Executive Director **Roger Crosley** says. "He joins a short, but distinguished list of exceptional young men that the Chapter has been proud to honor.

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## IPSWICH TANDEM LEADS 2014 CHAPTER AWARD WINNERS



*Jack Welch (at left) and John Thomas (seated) attend an Ipswich High School football game*

A relationship that began 50 years ago in an Ipswich High School classroom has led to a pair of local legends being named recipients of the two highest awards given by the Jack Grinold Eastern Massachusetts Chapter of the National Football Foundation.

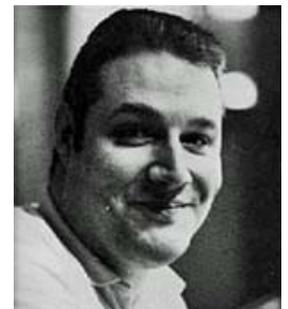
Retired coach **Jack Welch** will receive the

*Ron Burton Distinguished American Award* and team historian **John Thomas** has been selected to receive the *Ed Schluntz Contributions to Amateur Football Award*.

"We've seen more than a few great teams in the Boston area and I believe one of the best comes from Ipswich in Jack Welch and John Thomas. I'm guessing that 50 years ago when Jack and John first met in an Ipswich classroom they had no idea what their future would bring." *Boston Globe* High School Sports Editor and Grinold Chapter first vice-president **Bob Holmes** says. "But Jack has taught generations of Ipswich student-athletes how to win, how to lose, and how to do both with class and dignity.

"And right along with him, chronicling every step, has been John. Jack creates history. John makes sure we don't forget. And that's a winning team."

Welch and Thomas were first paired in a class Welch taught and Thomas took as a student at Ipswich High. At that time Thomas began working with the football team as a manager and statistician. His love of sports led him to become a football correspondent to the *Boston Globe* and *Boston Herald* and radio station WESX reporting the scores and highlights of local football games.



*John Thomas*

Following his 1967 graduation from Ipswich High School, Thomas attended Bryant McIntosh Junior College, and after earning his degree returned to Ipswich High as the athletic Department clerk, a position he held for 20 years. During that time he worked with Athletic Directors **Elliott Roundy** and **Arthur Carey** assisting with the daily operations of the IHS Athletic Department.

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- Rhett Adley** High School: Lexington College choice: Stony Brook University  
A wide receiver and cornerback ... the leading scorer in Division 1 last fall with 118 points ... caught 59 passes for 1,239 yards and 16 touchdowns ... a Middlesex League All-Star... *Boston Globe* and *Herald* All-Scholastic teams ... started a non-profit that sends care packages overseas to troops.
- Jon Baker** High School: Millis College choice: Boston College  
An All-Scholastic lineman and Tri-Valley League All-Star lineman all four years of high school ... has already enrolled at Boston College ... a member of the Mass Coaches All-State team will graduate with a 4.6 GPA on a 4.0 scale ... speaks fluent Spanish.
- Sam Bengier** High School: Hingham College choice: Carnegie Mellon University  
Patriot League All-Star at running back and defensive back ... a *Patriot Ledger* All-Scholastic ... winner of the Team Academic Award ... a member of the National Honor Society, Century, and Spanish Clubs ... will play for the South squad in the annual Shriners game.
- Aidan Beresford** High School: Marshfield College choice: Brown University  
A two-time Atlantic Coast League All-Star ... one of the top linemen in the state ... the Rams' team captain ... ranked 17<sup>th</sup> in a class of 320 with a 4.39 GPA ... National Honor Society ... Student Council treasurer.
- John Bernard** High School: Needham College choice: Tufts, Northeastern or UMass  
A two-year starter at wide receiver and safety ... Bay State Conference All-Star his senior year ... led the Rockets this past fall in tackles and interceptions as Needham finished with a 7-4 mark ... scored a perfect 800 on the math SAT.
- Colby Blaze** High School: Barnstable College choice: Harvard University  
An Old Colony League All-Star at receiver and defensive back ... Barnstable went 9-2 with ... the top-ranked student in his class of 364 ... captain of the basketball team ... senior class president ... plays tennis in the spring ... a youth basketball and football coach.
- Matthew Bonazzoli** High School: Buckingham, Browne & Nichols College choice: Macalester College  
CollegeTwo-time ISL All-Star at running back and corner ... captain of the football and basketball teams ... won the school's Stonestreet Prize given to a student-athlete for academic integrity and good sportsmanship.
- Joe Byrnes** High School: Ashland College choice: Tufts University  
Two-time Tri-Valley League All-Star ... in baseball he's an all-star pitcher ...this winter he was named the TVL MVP in basketball ... led Ashland in receptions, receiving yards, and touchdowns, and interceptions and kick returns for touchdowns ... National Honor Society.
- Jordan Corbett-Frank** High School: Winthrop College choice: University of Maryland  
Four-year starter for the Vikings ... Northeastern Conference All-Star honor as a running back and linebacker ... last fall ran for 1,136 yards and earned his third Ed MacFarland student-Athlete Award ... a member of the track and sailing teams ... captain of each ...ranked 5<sup>th</sup> in a class of 145.
- Zach Duguid** High School: Beverly College choice: MIT  
Two-year starter at guard and defensive end ... named to the Northeastern Conference All-Star team his senior year ... in his junior year, Beverly won the Division 2A Super Bowl ... ranked 4<sup>th</sup> in a class of 314 and scored a perfect 800 on the math portion of the SAT ... also plays basketball and lacrosse.
- Dan Fulham** High School: St. Sebastian's College choice: Middlebury College  
Three-year starter at defensive end and tight end ... led the Arrows in quarterback sacks during that time ... a two-time ISL All-Star ...last season was named to the New England Class B All-Star team.
- Peter Graves** High School: Milton Academy College choice: Harvard University  
Had 11 sacks, 40 solo tackles, 25 quarterback pressures, and 16 tackles for losses in just seven games last fall ... a tight end and defensive end ... ISL All-Star ... will play at Harvard following a post-grad year at Phillips Exeter ... volunteered with Special Olympics for the past three years.
- James Hendren** High School: Dexter School College choice: Boston College  
The NEPSAC Lineman of the Year for Class C, will play at Boston ... 6'7", 285 pound offensive tackle and defensive lineman is one of the most dominant players in New England ... Dexter finished 7-2 last fall including a berth in a NEPSAC postseason bowl game ... ranked 8<sup>th</sup> in a class of 42.
- Drew Jacobs** High School: Milton Academy College choice: Middlebury College  
Running back and linebacker ... finished his career with 50 touchdowns ... named the ISL co-MVP in 2013 after rushing for 1,300 yards and leading the league in scoring ... NEPSAC Class B All-Star team ... in his junior year he volunteered for more community service hours than any other student.
- Matt Jeye** High School: Holliston College choice: Wesleyan University  
Two-year starter at quarterback ... led Division 4 with 24 touchdown passes last fall ... Tri-Valley League's Offensive Player of the Year ... *Boston Globe* All-Scholastic team ... National Honor Society ... volunteered at the Holliston Food Pantry, Relay for Life, and Holliston Walks for Dana Farber.
- Benjamin Joyal** High School: Marshfield College choice: Massachusetts Maritime Academy  
Marshfield's Most Valuable Player last fall ... Two-year starter at running back and defensive back ... earned Atlantic Coast League All-Star honors his senior year, when he was also captain ... National Honor Society ... School Advisory Council, Student Council, and State Student Advisory Council.

**Shayne Kaminski** High School: Xaverian College choice: Wesleyan University  
*Boston Herald* and *Boston Globe* All-Scholastic ... three-year starter ... running back and defensive back ... led Xaverian with 15 touchdowns last fall ... in the Division 1 South final ran for 200 yards and two TDs ... Catholic Conference All-Star ... plays lacrosse for Xaverian's 2013 state championship team.

**Chris Kennedy** High School: Barnstable College choice: Babson or Carnegie Mellon  
Two-time Old Colony League All-Star ... started at guard and inside linebacker ... team captain ... president of the National Honor Society ... played the lead role in the spring drama club performance of "The Sound of Music" ... ranked 7<sup>th</sup> in a class of 364 with a 4.64 GPA.

**Grant Kramer** High School: Duxbury College choice: U.S. Military Academy  
Three-year starter on the line ... named a *Boston Herald* All-Scholastic as well as to the Mass Coaches Association All-State team ... team captain and a Patriot League All-Star ... participates in Best Buddies and Father Bill's Soup Kitchen ... earned the Student Summa Award in American History this year.

**Erik Kushner** High School: Sharon College choice: Colgate University  
Three-year starter at tight end, defensive end, and outside linebacker ... Coach Dave Morse praises Kushner's "incredible leadership skills." ... He's also founder of the school's Investment Club ... has three sisters, all of whom play sports.

**Jonathan Lilley** High School: Boston College High College choice: University of Pennsylvania  
Played offense, defense, and special teams ... a Catholic Conference All-Star ... had 40 tackles from his outside linebacker position and five receptions as a tight end ... earned the Scholar-Athlete Award as a junior ... volunteered more than 60 hours of his time to My Brother's Keeper, a food pantry and clothing distribution center.

**Connor Moriarty** High School: Walpole College choice: Tufts University  
Two-year starter on offense and defense as well as a two-year captain ... running back and safety ... instrumental in Walpole averaging better than 30 ppg despite missing six games with a leg injury ... member of the National Honor Society ... a tutor and School Retreat Leader.

**Dylan Oxsen** High school: Plymouth South College choice: Assumption College  
Two-time *Globe* and *Herald* All-Scholastic ... twice named the *Globe's* Divisional Player of the Year ... finished with more than 4,000 career rushing yards including 2,165 his senior year ... twice named to the Mass Coaches All-State team and was the only junior to receive that honor ... National Honor Society ... wrestles and runs track.

**Nick Paganetti** High School: Scituate College choice: WPI  
6'3", 295-pounds ... two-year starter and a force at right tackle ... Scituate ran for a school record 2,650 yards ... Patriot League All-Star ... ranked No. 9 in a class of 188 ... he and his family have led a flag football program for kids ... volunteer coach and tutor.

**Dante Papas** High School: Buckingham, Browne & Nichols College choice: Amherst College  
twice earned ISL All-Star honors ... two-year starter at fullback and linebacker ... team captain ... named BB&N's Defensive Player of the Year ... volunteers at the Perkins School for the Blind ... camp counselor at BB&N's All Sports Camps ... organized the Zach McLeod 3on3 Hoop Tourney.

**Greg Roder** High School: Lincoln-Sudbury College choice: Amherst College  
Team captain and a three-year starter at defensive back and running back ... led ... L-S in rushing yards despite of missing three games with an injury ... the Warriors' second-leading tackler and had two interceptions ... an outstanding lacrosse player ... a member of Mentors in Violence Prevention.

**Jonathan Saurman** High School: Austin Prep College choice: College of the Holy Cross  
Coach Bill Maradei calls Saurman a "dedicated athlete and leader in our school." ... National Honor Society ... president of the Student Council ... three-year starter at running back and defensive back ... earned Catholic Central Large All-Star honors ... ran for 974 yards and 10 touchdowns and had 14 receptions for five touchdowns.

**Brad Scuzzarella** High School: Lynn Classical College choice: WPI  
Running back and defensive back ... earned Northeastern Conference All-Star honors the last two years ... seventh leading scorer in Division 2 last fall with 14 touchdowns ... ranked No. 10 in a class of 318 ... captain of both the football and baseball teams ... runs indoor track ... volunteers at his elementary school.

**Connor Strachan** High School: St. Sebastian's College choice: Boston College  
*Boston Herald* and *Boston Globe* All-Scholastic linebacker ... Mass Coaches All-State team ... had 81 tackles including 10 for a loss ... ran for 556 yards and 10 touchdowns ... team captain ... named ISL co-MVP this fall along with being named a NEPSAC Class B All-Star.

**Zach Thomas** High School: Arlington College choice: Tufts University  
Three-year starter at tight end and linebacker ... Middlesex League All-Star, Arlington's MVP, and a Shriners All-Star ... team won the Middlesex Liberty title ... captain ... vice-president of the Student Council ... representative to the New England Student Leadership Council ... Certified in CPR ... Volunteer for Outreach for Seniors program.

**Marcus Urann** High School: Duxbury College choice: MIT  
Made all the defensive calls from his middle linebacker position ... 220 career tackles, including 97 this past fall ... captain of the football team ... also plays lacrosse ... an Eagle Scout ... president of the National Honor Society and vice-president of SADD.

**Kyle Wisnieski** High School: Mansfield College choice: Bentley University  
The starting quarterback on the top-ranked team in the state ... led Mansfield to a 13-0 record, throwing for 25 touchdowns during the regular season ... *Boston Globe* and *Boston Herald* All-Scholastic ... Coaches All-State team ... captain of the basketball team and a Hockomock All-Star in hoops ... Volunteer with Mansfield youth basketball.

**Steven Zieselman** High School: Mansfield College choice: Colby College  
Two-year starter on the offensive and defensive lines for the state's top-ranked team (13-0) ... Hockomock All-Star ... team captain ... led an offense that totaled 4,900 yards and scored 428 points ... "Grave Digger Award" which goes to the team's top lineman.

## 2013 SCHOLAR-ATHLETE NICK PEABODY SELECTED FOR NFF NATIONAL HONORS

2013 Jack Grinold Eastern Massachusetts Chapter scholar-athlete selection Nick Peabody of Barnstable High School was honored in December at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel in New York City as one of four National High School Scholar Athletes recognized by the Foundation.



From left: Barnstable High School Coach Chris Whidden, Banquet Master of Ceremonies Charles Davis of Fox Sports, Nick Peabody, Nick's father Doug Peabody, Princeton University Head Coach Bob Surace

Peabody, the quarterback of Barnstable's 2012 Super Bowl team is completing his freshman year at Princeton University where he competed with the junior varsity team in the 2013 season.

Peabody is the second Scholar Athlete

from the Chapter to receive the honor in the past three years. Peabody's Princeton teammate Matt Costello of Everett was a recipient in 2011.

Barnstable's 2013 valedictorian from a class of 358, Peabody compiled a 4.69 high school grade point average on a 4.0 scale. He was an All-State selection by the Massachusetts State Football Coaches.

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"John has combined remarkable football ability with outstanding academic performance. What truly sets him apart is that even with the demands of being a cadet at the Massachusetts Maritime Academy, John has found the time to give back to his institution and community with his ongoing work.

"John is a tremendous role model for our scholar-athletes to emulate."

Moriarty, a native of Wilmington, Mass., started every game on the offensive line for the Buccaneers for the two years after he transferred from the University of St. Thomas (Minn.). In 2014 he was named a first-team Massachusetts State College Athletic Conference selection and was only the fifth Buccaneer ever to be named to the New England Football Writers Division II/III All-New England team. His accolades included first-team all-ECAC Northeast and third team *d3Football.com* All-East Region honors in 2013.

A Facilities Engineering major, Moriarty has been named a President's List Scholar in each semester he has attended the Academy and was selected as a Capital One Academic All-America his senior season. He has worked with the Academy Student Athlete Advisory Committee, been a volunteer with the Southeast Massachusetts and Cape Cod Special Olympics, and is an active participant with Rotary Interact Club.

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During his tenure as the IHS Athletic Department clerk, John began compiling statistics on all Ipswich athletes. He was remained as media correspondent to both local and Boston papers. In addition, John became the liaison to the Secretary/Treasurer of the Cape Ann League and became a font of information for area athletic directors, reporters, college recruiters and coaches.

While working in the athletic department, John began to compile historical statistics on past Manning High and Ipswich High athletes. He has published *Manning High & Ipswich High Football From 1901-1975*. Through John's diligent research the stories of old are now being documented. Because of John's tireless efforts, many coaches and IHS athletes have received awards, honors and scholarships.

Jack Welch's road to Ipswich High was a circuitous one. A native of Newburyport, Mass., and a graduate of Immaculate Conception High School, Welch began a professional baseball career with the Boston Braves organization before leaving baseball to enlist in the U.S. Navy during the Korean War. Welch became one of the first U.S. Navy SEALs, a testimony to his toughness and determination.



Jack Welch

At the conclusion of his military service, Welch enrolled at the University of Maine where he played football. His senior season his teammates elected him captain of the team.

After returning to the Newburyport in 1964, Welch took a teaching position at Ipswich High School. For 46 years Welch served the Tigers as both a teacher and coach. His coaching resume is nearly peerless. Welch's teams won five state championships and topped the Cape Ann League eight times. He was honored as the Coach of the Year on six different occasions and was inducted into the Massachusetts High School Football Coaches Hall of Fame in 1995. Like Thomas, Welch is a member of the Ipswich High School Hall of Fame. Upon his 2010 retirement he was one of the most respected and successful coaches in New England, with an overall record of 224 wins, 132 losses and 6 ties.

Welch's teams had the reputation of being hard-nosed, disciplined and well-conditioned. He instilled values of family, teamwork, dedication and sacrifice in his players, traits he honed as a SEAL. His competitiveness and passion for coaching and teaching football and his knowledge of the game are legendary.

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