



The Gridiron Club of Greater Boston

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proudly presents

The Bob Whelan College Football Awards Night

73rd Annual George H. "Bulger" Lowe Award

66th Annual Nils V. "Swede" Nelson Award

16th Annual Joseph P. "Joe" Zabilski Award

Coach of the Year Awards, Divisions IA-IAA and II-III

Joseph V. McKenney Collegiate Official of the Year Award

John Baronian Lifetime Contribution to Football Award

Gridiron Club President: Paul Stewart

College Awards Committee Chairman: John McGrath

Dinner Chairman: Tim Whelan

Master of Ceremonies: Tom Burke

Thursday, January 12, 2012

Westin Hotel

Waltham, Massachusetts

George H. "Bulger" Lowe Award

New England's Best Collegiate Player in Divisions IA and IAA

Offense: Nick Schwieger, Dartmouth
 Defense: Luke Kuechly, Boston College

Bulger Lowe Award Winners:

1939	Gene Goodreault, BC	1975	Mike Kruczek, BC	1995	Rene Ingola, UMass
1940	Charlie O'Rourke, BC	1976	Timothy Whelan, Tufts	1996	Mike Foley, UNH
1941	Endicott "Chub" Peabody, Harvard	1977	William Burnham, UNH	1997	Chris Bresnahan, UNH
1942	Mike Holovak, BC	1978	Dan Ross, Northeastern	1998	Stalin Colinet, BC
1943	George Connor, HC	1979	Mal Najarian, BU	1999	Jim Murphy, Northeastern
1944	Paul Walker, Yale	1980	Jim Budness, BC	2000	Erik Storz, BC
1945	Stan Kozlowski, HC	1981	Rich Diana, Yale	2001	Jerry Azumah, UNH
1946	Levi Jackson, Yale	1982	Doug Flutie, BC	2002	Kahri Samuel, UMass
1947	Bob Sullivan, HC	1983	Garry Pearson, UMass	2003	James Perry, Brown
1948	Joe Sullivan, Dartmouth	1984	Brian Brennan, BC	2004	Chris Hovan, BC
1949	John Clayton, Dartmouth	1985	Joe Azelby, Harvard	2005	Steve Campbell, Brown
1950	Bob Spears, Yale	1986	Doug Flutie, BC	2006	Kole Ayi, UMass
1951	Harry Agganis, BU	1987	Mike Ruth, BC	2007	Neil Rose, Harvard
1952	Charles Malloy, HC	1988	Mike Ruth, BC	2008	Scott Bradley, BC
1953	Dick Clasby, Harvard	1989	Tom Earhart, URI	2009	Derrick Knight, BC
1954	Sam Pino, BU	1990	John Bosa, BC	2010	Steve Cooper, Maine
1955	Charles Sticka, Trinity	1991	Gordie Lockbaum, HC	2011	Derrick Knight, BC
1956	Dennis McGill, Yale	1992	Gordie Lockbaum, HC		
1957	Joseph Palermo, Dartmouth	1993	Bill Romanowski, BC	2004	Dante Balestracci, Harvard
1958	Frank Finney, Brown	1994	Dave Palazzi, UMass	2005	Ryan Fitzpatrick, Harvard
1959	Chester Boulris, Harvard	1995	Robert McGovern, HC	2006	Liam Ezekiel, Northeastern
1960	Thomas Singleton, Yale	1996	Mike Buck, Maine	2007	Ricky Santos, UNH
1961	Pat McCarthy, HC	1997	Dave Murphy, HC	2008	Mathias Kiwanuk, BCa
1962	Don McKinnon, Dartmouth	1998	Matt DeGennaro, Connecticut	2009	David Ball, UNH
1963	Jack Concannon, BC	1999	Matt Kelley, BC	2010	DeJuan Tribble, BC
1964	Jerry Whelchel, UMass	2000	Tom Ciaccio, HC	2011	Matt Ryan, BC
1965	Robert Hall, Brown	2001	Tom McManus, BC		Jamie Silva, BC
1966	Bobby Leo, Harvard	2002	Chuckie Dukes, BC	2008	Dominic Randolph, Holy Cross
1967	Greg Landry, UMass	2003	Charles Brennan, BC		Mark Herzlich, BC and
1968	Brian Dowling, Yale	2004	Glenn Foley, BC	2009	Bobby Abare, Yale
1969	Bruce Taylor, BU	2005	Rob Dougherty, BU		Buddy Farnham, Brown
1970	Fred Willis, BC	2006	Stephen Boyd, BC	2010	Mike McLaughlin, BC
1971	Bruce Laird, AIC	2007	Mike Mamula, BC	2011	Montel Harris, BC
1972	Richard Jauron, Yale		Pete Mitchell, BU		Luke Kuechly, BC
1973	Mike Esposito, BC		Rob Dougherty, BU		Nick Schwieger, Dartmouth
1974	Pat McInally, Harvard				Luke Kuechly, BC

(Offense & defense awards were instituted in 1982)

The Joseph P. "Joe" Zabilski Award

New England's Best Collegiate Player in Divisions II and III

Offense: Rashaad Slowley, Southern Connecticut
 Defense: Walter Fallas, Trinity

Joe Zabilski Award Winners:

1996	Alex Bernstein, Amherst	2002	Marc Eddy, Bentley	2008	Jeff Mack, Plymouth State
	Raymond Jones, Trinity		Scott Farley, Williams		Cody Andrews, Maine Maritime
1997	Richard Willard, Amherst	2003	Tom Pierandri, Trinity	2009	Jim Bower, Maine Maritime
	Ben Nassar, Bentley		Mark Tilki, Tufts		Josh Mathieu, Westfield State
1998	Sean Keenan, Williams	2004	Marc Eddy, Bentley	2010	James McCarthy, Framingham State
	Ben Nassar, Bentley		Brian Robitaille, Curry		Shawn Loiseau, Merrimack
1999	Kavin Gailliard, A.I.C.	2005	Don Thibodeau, Maine Maritime	2011	Rashaad Slowley, Southern CT
	Christos Arsoniadis, Bridgewater		Mike Blair, Trinity		Walter Fallas, Trinity
2000	Bryan Sanchez, Middlebury	2006	Chris Sharpe, Springfield		
	Steven Cedar, New Haven		Sean Crowley, Curry		
2001	Joseph Reardon, Williams	2007	Patrick Lucey, Williams		
	Josue Zamora, Westfield State		Paul Tetzel, Bentley		

The John Baronian Award

For Lifetime Contribution to Football

Tracy Mehr, Amherst

John Baronian Award Winners:

1997	Jack Grinold	2005	Bob Pickett
1998	Jack Bicknell	2006	Barry Gallup
1999	Bill Bowes	2007	Harold Westerman
2000	Jack Daly	2008	Ed Schluntz
2001	Rocky Carzo	2009	Robert "Bo" Lyons
2002	Joe Yukica	2010	Tom Austin
2003	Dan Allen	2011	Tracy Mehr
2004	Dick Farley		

The Nils V. "Swede" Nelson Award

For Outstanding Achievement in Academics, Athletics and Sportsmanship

Division IA & IAA: Patrick Witt, Yale
 Division II and III: Bryant Johnson, Bentley

Swede Nelson Award Winners:

1946	Perry Moss, Illinois	1976	Peter Cronan, BC	1998	Matt Jordan, UMass
1947	Everett Dorr, BU	1977	Roy Heffernan, Middlebury		Eric Brum, Tufts
1948	Gordon Long, Arkansas	1978	Rich Leach, Michigan	1999	Isaiah Kacyvenski, Harvard
1949	Doak Walker, SMU	1979	Tom Bell, Brigham Young		Nikolas Kozy, MIT
1950	Bob Williams, Notre Dame	1980	Jerry Pierce, Dartmouth	2000	Eric Johnson, Yale
1951	John Bright, Drake	1981	Kennedy Duckett, Wake Forest		Tim McCarthy, Middlebury
1952	Joseph Milfinger, Yale	1982	John Loughery, BC	2001	John Richardson, BC
1953	Don King, Clemson	1983	Matt Martin, HC		Bob Montgomery, UMass Lowell
1954	Arthur Luppino, Arizona	1984	Steve Strachan, BC	2002	Kevin Noone, Dartmouth
1955	Don Holleder, Army	1985	Guy Carbone, URI		Chuck McGraw, Tufts
1956	James Swink, TCU	1986	Stan Kaczorowski, UMass	2003	Steve Fox, Holy Cross
1957	Thomas Salvo, BU	1987	Gordie Lockbaum, HC		Greg Wood, Worcester State
1958	J. W. Broadnax, LSU	1988	Tom Waddle, BC	2004	Keron Henry, UConn
1959	George Roden, Colby	1989	Ben Cowan, BU		Fletcher Ladd, Amherst
1960	Alan Rozycki, BC		Rich Schachner, Coast Guard	2005	Nick Hartigan, Brown
1961	Joseph P. Kowalski, Rutgers	1990	Brad Preble, Dartmouth		David Diamond, Bowdoin
1962	Pat Culpepper, Texas		Mark Katz, Bowdoin	2006	Ed McCarthy, Yale
1963	Bob Cappadona, Northeastern	1991	Paul Capriotti, Maine		Brendan Fulmer, Williams
1964	Arthur J. Roberts, Columbia		Paul Oliveira, Tufts	2007	Steve Morgan, Brown
1965	Thomas E. Clarke, Dartmouth	1992	Jay Fiedler, Dartmouth		Ryne Nutt, Central Connecticut
1966	Floyd Little, Syracuse		Roderick Tranum, MIT		Dan Guariglia, Amherst
1967	Brian Dowling, Yale	1993	Keith Miller, BC	2008	Andrew Berry, Harvard
1968	Vic Gatto, Harvard		Michael Turmelle, Bowdoin		James Oleinik, MIT
1969	Vic Gatto, Harvard	1994	Andre Milkismow, BU	2009	Mark Herzlich, Boston College
1970	Steve Smear, Penn State		Nate Sleeper, Williams		Alex Rubino, MIT
1971	Renso G. Perdoni, Georgia Tech	1995	Tim O'Brien, BC	2010	Anthony Castonzo, Boston College
1972	Richard Jauron, Yale		Mike Rymsha, Bentley		Ryan Schmid, Coast Guard
1973	Otis Armstrong, Purdue	1996	Greg Schneider, Amherst	2011	Patrick Witt, Yale
1974	James W. Stoeckel, Harvard		Joseph DeAngelis, Trinity		Bryant Johnson, Bentley
1975	Peter Gorniewicz, Colby	1997	Matt Hasselbeck, BC		
	George H. Niland, Trinity		Daniel Lord, Tufts		

The Gridiron Club Coach of the Year Awards

Head Coach of the Year, Division IA and IAA: Tim Murphy, Harvard
 Head Coach of the Year, Division II and III: Tom Kelley, Framingham State

Head Coach of the Year Award Winners:

1999	Tom O'Brien, Boston College	2006	Don Brown, UMass
2000	Sean McDonnell, New Hampshire		Jim Murphy, Merrimack
2001	Tim Murphy, Harvard (Division IA, IAA)	2007	Randy Edsall, UConn
	Steve Marino, Westfield State (Division II-III)		Skip Bandini, Curry
2002	Don Brown, Northeastern (Division IA, IAA)	2008	Jeff Jagodzinski, BC
	Bill Kavanaugh, UMass-Dartmouth (Div. II-III)		Art Wilkins, AIC
2003	Mark Whipple, UMass (Division IA, IAA)	2009	Sean McDonnell, UNH
	Mike DeLong, Springfield (Division II-III)		E.J. Mills, Amherst
2004	Sean McDonnell, New Hampshire (Division IA, IAA)	2010	Randy Edsall, UConn
	Chuck Priore, Trinity (Division II-III)		JB Wells, Endicott
2005	Phil Estes, Brown University (Division IA, IAA)	2011	Tim Murphy, Harvard
	Ed Mestieri, Colby College (Division II-III)		Tom Kelley, Framingham State

Assistant Coach of the Year, Division IA & IAA: Joe Rossi, Maine
 Assistant Coach of the Year, Division II & III: Lew Acquarulo, Trinity

Assistant Coach of the Year Award Winners:

1999	Neil McGrath, UMass	2007	Bill McGovern, BC
2000	Mark Matlak, UNH		Mike McLaughlin, Plymouth State
2001	Bruce Tall, Harvard	2008	Joel Lamb, Harvard
2002	Frank Spaziani, Boston College		Mike Brown, Tufts
2003	Mike Kelleher, Brown	2009	Hank Hughes, Connecticut
2004	Bob Wilder, Maine		Tom Dexter, Colby
2005	Chip Kelly, UNH	2010	Tim Stowers, Central Connecticut
	Jack Holik, Springfield		Tom Godek, Southern Connecticut
2006	Wally Dembowski, Northeastern	2011	Joe Rossi, Maine
	Phil Soule, Bowdoin		Lew Acquarulo, Trinity

Joseph V. McKenney Award

Best Collegiate Official

Edwin Shanahan, Umpire: Colonial, Ivy, and Patriot Leagues

Joseph V. McKenney Award Winners:

1997	Paul Tighe, Big East	2005	Paul King, Big East
1998	Ron Abdow, Big East	2006	David Carter, ECAC
1999	John Collins, ECAC	2007	Bryan Platt, Big East
2000	Steve McBride, Big East	2008	Mike Kelley, ACC
2001	John Salmon, Big East	2009	Christopher Smith, CAA
2002	Arthur Bellows, ECAC	2010	Ronald Kumiiega, Big East
2003	Brian Sullivan, Atlantic 10	2011	Edwin Shanahan, Colonial, Ivy & Patriot Leagues
2004	Bill Ward, Ivy and Patriot Leagues		

The New England Football Writers' Gold Helmet Award

Proudly sponsored by the Gridiron Club of Greater Boston, the weekly Gold Helmet goes to the outstanding players of each weekend during the season. Winners of the annual Gold Helmet Award are honored at the season-ending banquet, which took place on December 8, 2011.

Football Championship Subdivision (FCS): Division II / III:

Sept. 7 Pushaun Brown, RB, Maine
Bryce Brown, QB, Western New England
Sept. 14 Joey Orland, WR, New Hampshire
Matt Silva, QB, Framingham State
Sept. 21 Kyle Newhall-Caballero, QB, Brown
Bobby Tarr, RB, Bentley
Sept. 28 Kevin Decker, QB, New Hampshire
Bryant Johnson, QB, Bentley
Oct. 5 Pushaun Brown, RB, Maine
Phil Konopka, QB, Endicott
Oct. 12 Colton Chapple, QB, Harvard
Christian Mulcahy, DB, Plymouth State

Matt Evans, UNH Ryan Osiecki, University of New Haven

Oct. 19 Ryan Taggart, QB, Holy Cross
Josh Carter, QB, Springfield
Oct. 26 Collier Winters, QB, Harvard
McCallum Foote, QB, Middlebury
Nov. 2 Mordecai Cargill, RB, Yale
Mike Graham, KR, Western New England
Nov. 9 Nick Schwieger, RB, Dartmouth
Eric Bunker, RB, Amherst
Nov. 16 Josh Carter, QB, Springfield
Mike Cole, DE, Maine

Tonight's Program

Invocation and Introduction

Tom Burke, Master of Ceremonies

Welcome

Paul Stewart, Gridiron Club President

Dinner

Guest Speaker

Terry Tibbetts, Biographer of Swede Nelson Award Winner Don Holleder

Presentations

By Awards Committee Members

Joseph V. McKenney Award
Head Coaches of the Year
Assistant Coaches of Year
John Baronian Award
Joe Zabalski Award
Swede Nelson Award
Bulger Lowe Award

Closing

Tim Whelan, Dinner Chairman

The Gridiron Club of Greater Boston: Founded in 1932, the Gridiron Club promotes the game of football at all levels and nurtures the ideals of citizenship, sportsmanship, leadership, and athletic and academic achievement. Through its annual dinners and golf tournament, the club carries on its tradition of honoring exemplary players, coaches and officials at all levels of sport. This evening we honor the best in the game of college football at the Bob Whelan College Football Awards Night.

Club Officers, 2011-2012: *President:* Paul Stewart; *First Vice President:* John Ingoldsby; *Second Vice President:* Bob Norton; *Secretary:* Dick Lawrence; *Treasurer:* Paul Costello

Award Committee Members: John McGrath, *Presiding Chairman;* Larry Abare; Curt Bletzer; Tom Burke; Ned Cully, *Chairman of Swede Nelson Award Committee;* Ray Gallant; Jim Kearney, *Co-Chairman of Officials' Award Committee;* Bob Norton, *Co-Chairman of Coaches' Award Committee;* Dave O'Brien; Ed Schluntz, *Chairman of John Baronian Award Committee;* Bernie Smith, *Co-Chairman of Coaches' and Officials' Award Committees;* Bill Stewart, *Co-Chairman of Coaches' Award Committee;* Tim Whelan

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