



THE TWENTY-FIFTH ANNUAL SCHOLAR-ATHLETE AWARDS DINNER

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the Greater Morris County Chapter
of
The National Football Foundation
And College Hall of Fame
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The Madison Hotel, Morristown NJ

March 28, 2019 – 6:00 P.M.

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

It is my pleasure to welcome the Greater Morris County Scholar-Athletes to our annual awards dinner. These talented players have been selected by coaches and administrators to represent their Morris, Sussex and Warren County high school and college football programs.

The criteria for the Scholar-Athlete Award, as established by the National Awards Committee, are academic achievement, school and civic leadership, and football ability. The nominees deserve our commendation not only for these achievements but also for the example they set for the young men who will follow them.

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Matthew C. Sellitto Scholarship

Matthew C. Sellitto embodied the values that the National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame seeks for its award recipients. Active in a variety of sports, from hockey to football, Matthew was just as committed to studies, his community and less-fortunate individuals.

Matthew Sellitto, 23, was on the 105th Floor of Tower One on September 11, 2001

Jonathan D. Sellitto Scholarship

Jonathan D. Sellitto was passionate about many things, especially his family and the friends he loved so dearly. It was clear that his daughter Finley was the center of his universe and even at a young age, she reflects his joyful spirit. Jonathan was accomplished in football and hockey and played college lacrosse. He was committed to the MCS Foundation's mission.

Jonathan Sellitto, 34, died suddenly on March 15, 2017

Barry Halper Scholarship

Barry Halper, a long-time National Football Foundation board member, worked hard to make our chapter, and this banquet, a success. He was a kind and generous man who cared about his community and the charities that supported it. He was the sort of person we hope our scholar athletes will become.

In his memory, we will award a scholarship to one scholar athlete.

Barry will always be part of our organization and no doubt he remains with us tonight, taking great pride for the accomplishments these young men have already achieved.

~ PROGRAM ~

PRESENTATION OF SCHOLAR ATHLETES.....	Brian J. Riley
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.....	Brian J. Riley
INTRODUCTION OF PRESIDENT OF GREATER MORRIS COUNTY CHAPTER...	Robert E. Mulcahy III
RESPONSE BY	Matthew T. Sellitto
PRESENTATION OF COLLEGIATE SCHOLAR-ATHLETE AWARD	William Klika
RESPONSE BY	Isiah Turner
PRESENTATION OF CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE GAME AWARD	Thomas Curtin
RESPONSE BY	Joseph Purzycki

~ DINNER ~

PRESENTATION OF DISTINGUISHED AMERICAN AWARD	Robert E. Mulcahy III
RESPONSE BY	Brian Gagnolati
PRESENTATION OF H.S. SCHOLAR-ATHLETE AWARD.....	Greater Morris Chapter Board Members
RESPONSE BY	Domenick Castellano Morris Catholic H.S.
CLOSING REMARKS.....	Matthew T. Sellitto

NATIONAL FOOTBALL FOUNDATION

COLLEGE FOOTBALL HALL OF FAME

Our Mission

Our mission is to promote and develop the power of amateur football in developing the qualities of leadership, sportsmanship, competitive zeal and the drive for academic excellence in America's young people.

We will fulfill this mission in the following ways:

By inspiring young people to excellence: holding up the greatest players and coaches in the history of the game as role models and enshrining them and their achievements in the College Football Hall of Fame.

By exciting young people, and those who influence them, about the game: in particular, managing the College Football Hall of Fame in such a way as to dramatize the history, exhilaration and value of the game to an ever broadening audience of fans and potential fans.

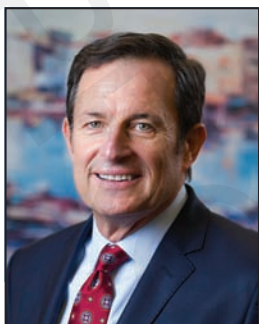
By developing, managing and promoting model football programs, which further strengthen the educational and character building qualities of the game.

By honoring, publicizing and providing financial support to high school and college

football players who represent our ideal of the scholar-athlete.

By continuing a grassroots movement, through local chapters, while involving football fans, coaches, educators, the media and former players in the implementation of the programs, which will fulfill our mission for America

Through this mission, The Foundation serves not only youth, but the nation as well.



2019 DISTINGUISHED AMERICAN AWARD

Brian Gragnolati

Brian Gragnolati is President & CEO of Atlantic Health System. He also serves as Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the American Hospital Association, dedicated to leading, representing and serving hospitals and health systems in their work to advance the health of individuals and communities. In 2007 and again in 2015, Brian received the AHA's Partnership for Action Grassroots Champion Award, recognizing a hospital leader who has effectively educated elected officials on major issues affecting hospitals, while advocating for patients and the community.

Prior to his tenure at Atlantic Health System, Gragnolati served as SVP, Community Division of Johns Hopkins Medicine, and President and CEO of Suburban Hospital. He previously held executive positions at WellSpan Health, the Medical Center Hospital of Vermont, and Baystate Medical Center in Springfield, MA.

With \$2.8 billion in revenue and 16,500 employees, Atlantic Health System serves more than half the state of New Jersey, including 11 counties and 4.9 million people. The system includes Chilton Medical Center in Pompton Plains; Goryeb Children's Hospital and Morristown Medical Center in Morristown; Hackettstown Medical Center in Hackettstown; Overlook Medical Center in Summit; and Newton Medical Center in Newton. The system also cares for patients through Atlantic Rehabilitation, Atlantic Home Care and Hospice, Atlantic Ambulance Corporation, and Atlantic Medical Group, which employs over 1,000 community-based physicians.

Brian holds a bachelor's degree in Health Systems Analysis from the University of Connecticut, an MBA from Western New England College, and an Executive Leadership Certificate from the JFK School at Harvard University.



2019 CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE GAME AWARD

Joseph Purzycki

Joe Purzycki was the Vice Chairman and Chief Operating Officer of Barclaycard US, a division of Barclaycard International from 2001 to 2010. As Chief Operating Officer, Joe was responsible for all operational aspects of the business including Customer Care, Bank Operations, Customer Support, Technology and Marketing Operations and their supporting budgets. As Vice Chairman and member of the bank's Board of Directors, Joe was directly involved in the management and strategic direction of the company.

Prior to 2007, Joe managed Customer Care and Bank Operations for the company. Prior to joining Barclays Bank, Mr. Purzycki was Executive Vice President of Chase Card Services from 2001 to 2006 and was a member of the Card Services Senior Management Team. Mr. Purzycki began his credit card career at MBNA America Bank in 1990 where he was an Executive Vice President. Mr. Purzycki managed the credit card businesses for MBNA's transportation business (NASCAR), its sports business (National Football League, Major League Baseball, National Hockey League) and its college and university business.

Joe has a Master's degree in Education Administration and a Bachelors of Science in Education from the University of Delaware. After receiving his Bachelors of Science and Master's degrees, Mr. Purzycki went on to become the head football coach at Delaware State University and James Madison University. Mr. Purzycki currently serves as Chairman of the Board of the Boys and Girls Clubs of Delaware. In 2005, Mr. Purzycki was inducted into the State of Delaware Sports Hall of Fame, the State of Delaware African American Hall of Fame and the University of Delaware Alumni Hall of Fame. In 2014, Joe was inducted into the Newark, New Jersey Athletics Hall of Fame and the University of Delaware's Athletics Hall of Fame.



Atlantic Health System
is proud to honor our
President and CEO, Brian Gragnolati
on receiving the
Distinguished American Award



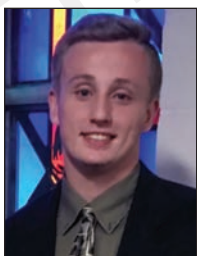
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ANTHONY CABALAR
Boonton



SEAN CENTINARO
Butler



JOSHUA SMITH
Chatham



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ISAIAH TURNER
Fairleigh Dickinson University



TIM ERVEY
Hackettstown



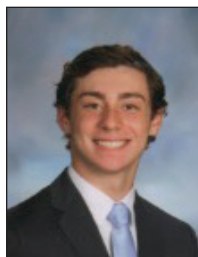
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Hanover Park



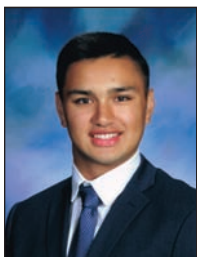
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High Point



TYLER DIXON
Hopatcong



PAUL MONACO
Jefferson



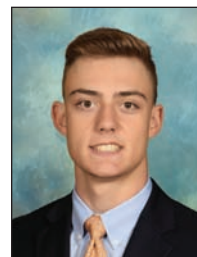
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Kinnelon



JAMES FRANCO
Kittatinny



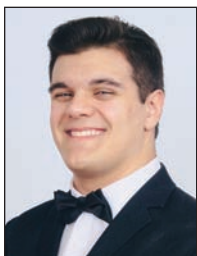
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Lenape Valley



ANTHONY MAZZELLA
Madison



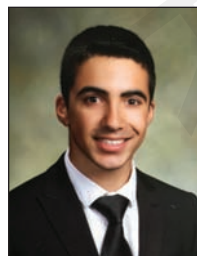
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Montville



DOMENICK CASTELLANO
Morris Catholic



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NICHOLAS BARANELLO
Morris Knolls

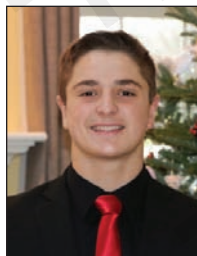


EL-AMIN BASHIR
Morristown

19 ATHLETES



GEORGE BURKE
Morristown-Beard



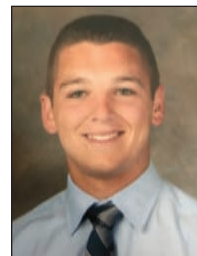
DYLAN MAYER
Mount Olive



JASON LUZZI
Mountain Lakes



MICHAEL FREDA
Newton



JOSEPH VOITEK
North Warren



TYLER GRIECO
Parsippany



CONNOR SCHAEFER
Parsippany Hills



MICHAEL LUTTENBERGER
Pequannock



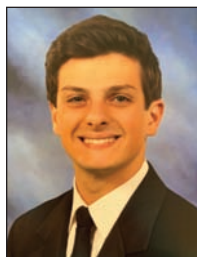
RYAN DENGLER
Pope John



ANTHONY SOFIA
Randolph



EVAN VAZQUEZ
Roxbury



LUCAS ROMANO
Sparta



DANTON HALL
Sussex Tech



TRAVIS SCHNEIDER
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CONGRATULATIONS

Paul Monaco #13

Jefferson Township H.S.

All of your successes rest fully on your shoulders. Your hard work, your discipline, your never back down from a challenge attitude have all served you well. Keep making good choices, stay funny and kind and all of those attributes will carry you successfully through the next chapter. We are very proud of you and thankful to share in your achievements.

We love you!
Mom, Dad, Lauren, Katie & Ellie

CONGRATULATIONS

Joseph Rymarz #15

Kinnelon High School

Being smart made you successful.
Being strong made you unstoppable.
Being a teammate made you a leader.
Never stop leading from the front.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Love,
Dad, Mom and Nicholas
#WeAreSoProud!

CONGRATULATIONS

Christian Acevedo

Dover High School

This scholar-athlete award shows all your hard work, dedication and perseverance on the field and in the classroom all four years of High School. You have always remained strong and have reached to the top, not letting anything get in your way. These are accomplishments that would make any single mother and your family proud of you. Pursue your dreams! God has your back!!

Love Mom, Christina, Brandon, Joaquin,
Blue and the Acevedo family.

CONGRATULATIONS

Ryan Dengler #11

Pope John XXIII Regional High School

Ryan, you lead by example.
Both on the field and off the field.
We are proud of your accomplishments and continued success at Lafayette College.

Best wishes, The Administration, Faculty,
Staff and Fans of Pope John XXIII H.S.

CONGRATULATIONS

Michael Freda #12

Newton High School

We are so proud of you! This award is the result of your hard work and dedication, both on and off the field. Keep working hard, dream big, and always believe in yourself!

Love, Mom, Dad & Madison

CONGRATULATIONS

James Franco

Kittatinny Regional H.S.

What an amazing honor! We are so very proud of you but not surprised!! This is only the beginning!! Know that we will forever be your cheering section!!

Love you!
Mom, Dad, Mackenzie & Vincent

CONGRATULATIONS

Tim Ervey #36

Hackettstown High School

It is incredible watching you strive for perfection on and off the field. Your passion for the game is infectious.
Keep working - Keep dreaming
We are so proud of you!

Love, Mom, Dad, Jessie, Kimmie & GranMa

CONGRATULATIONS

Alexander Khalaf #60, Captain

Montville High School

Work hard. Play harder. Make no excuses.
Regret nothing...
and have fun!

We are all so proud of you!

Love,
Mom, Dad & Nicholas

CONGRATULATIONS

Nicholas Sette

Whippany Park High School

We are so very proud of you both on and off the football field. Always remember that "hard work pays off" and stay "strong like bull" in all your future endeavors. We know success will follow you wherever you go in life.

With all our love, always
Dad, Mom, Joey & Dom

CONGRATULATIONS

George Burke #57

Morristown-Beard

Carry the intensity and work ethic that you bring to the football field and school to all you do in life and you can't miss.

Love,
Mommy, Dad, Jill, Pamela and Reggie

CONGRATULATIONS

John Schaefer

Morris Hills High School

We are so proud of all your hard work and accomplishments on and off the field. Your journey is just beginning! Reach for the Stars!

WE ARE...



Love, Mom, Dad & Makenzie

CONGRATULATIONS

El-Amin Bashir #52

Morristown High School

You always make us proud. Continue to strive towards happiness and you will meet with success.

Love Always,
Mom, Dad and Inayah

CONGRATULATIONS

Connor Schaefer #55

Parsippany Hills

The entire Par Hills Viking family is proud of you!

CONGRATULATIONS

Domenick Castellano

Morris Catholic High School

We are proud of you.
Hard work pays off.

Morris Catholic High School

CONGRATULATIONS Captain Evan Petrucci #22

W.M. Mendham H.S.

Congratulations on this tremendous honor!

W.M. Mendham High School
The Mendham Football Booster Club

CONGRATULATIONS

Michael Freda

Newton High School

Proud to be a Brave!

CONGRATULATIONS

Matthew Carter #56

High Point Regional H.S.

So proud of your accomplishments but even prouder of the person you have become. Always believe in yourself, follow your own instincts and always do the right thing. As you journey through life remember that hard work works. But working really hard is what successful people do. Be a leader, inspire to make a difference!

Love
Mom, Dad, Chris, Bernie, Ashley,
Lance and Grandma Pat

CONGRATULATIONS

Jake Ligos #86

West Morris Central H.S.



We are so very proud of you and all of your accomplishments! Keep working hard in all that you do and enjoy this next exciting chapter of your life at UPENN.

Family, Pride, Tradition...
We love you!

Mom, Dad and Maddie

CONGRATULATIONS

Josh Smith #44

Chatham High School

You have made us all so proud!
You have given it your all- on and off the field. Continue to dream big and work hard, and great things will follow

Love, Mom, Dad, Ashley and Lacey

CONGRATULATIONS

Sean Centinaro

Butler H.S.

The Butler High School Booster Club, Butler Football Team, and the entire Butler community are very proud of you Sean!

State Champions 2018
#GRINDING
#GOBULLDOGS

CONGRATULATIONS

Kevin Julich #72

Hanover Park H.S.

Congratulations Kevin!

Hanover Park High School

Go Hornets!

CONGRATULATIONS

James Franco

Kittatinny Regional H.S.

Thank you for your hard work and dedication.

We wish you continued success on and off the field

#KRHSCOUGARS

CONGRATULATIONS

Luke Romano #60

Sparta High School

Your accomplishments both on and off the field continue to amaze us!
We are so very proud of you and can't wait to see what your future holds!!

Love, Mom, Dad, John,
Justin & Logan

CONGRATULATIONS

Joseph Voitek #12

North Warren Regional H.S.

Keep working hard Joseph!

"Nobody who ever gave his best regretted it"

George Halas

We love you!
Dad, Mom, Dominique, Natalia,
Elaina, Karina

CONGRATULATIONS
Drew Pickett #33
Lenape Valley Regional
High School

We are proud of all your hard work and accomplishments. You represent all that we try to promote and encourage in athletics and academics. You are a true leader and role model for others.

Lenape Valley
Educational Family

CONGRATULATIONS
"Captain" Sean Centinaro #4
Butler H.S.

You have always made us proud!
We look forward to your future!
"Do What You Do"

Love Mom, Dad and Robbie

CONGRATULATIONS
Anthony Cabalar #12
Boonton High School

You started off your high school football career in a completely different position. From the line in youth football to quarterback, quite a change. You took the challenge head on, you learned your position and over the years led your team with great poise. Your achievements on the field and in the classroom speak for themselves which is why you are here today. You are on to great things and we could not be more proud of you! Keep reaching for the stars!

Love,
Mom, Dad, Maykela, Gage,
Drew and Sienna

CONGRATULATIONS
Tyler Dixon #19
Hopatcong High School

We are so proud of you and all you have achieved on and off the field. You are a strong, kind, intelligent young man and we are very blessed. Your journey is just beginning with the world for the taking! Keep dreaming, keep believing and keep striving for what makes you happy!

Love Mom, Dad, Roiley, Kyle and Dylan

CONGRATULATIONS
Jason Luzzi
Mt. Lakes High School

Continue the hard work, dedication and passion that earned you this award and success will follow you through college and beyond. Enjoy and celebrate senior year and best of luck to all of you.

The Luzzi Family

CONGRATULATIONS
Connor Schaefer #55
Parsippany Hills

It's truly an honor to be your mom & celebrate this recognition of your achievements. Your character has proven both on and off the field, that hard work, perseverance, sacrifice, commitment, leadership and love for the game pays off. I know you will continue to amaze us with your strength and determination. We are all so thankful to be there every step of the way, enjoying this ride of a lifetime with you.

Enjoy every moment, you deserve it.
We cannot wait to see what your future holds. We love you so much

Mom, Morgan, Nolan, Grandma
& Grandpa xoxo

CONGRATULATIONS
Domenick Castellano
Morris Catholic High School

Congratulations & God Bless You!
You are in the Hall of Fame of our hearts
today & always!

Love Dad, Mom & L.J.

CONGRATULATIONS
Ryan McGuire #65
Wallkill Valley Regional High School

We are very proud of you.

Love Mom, Dad & Emma

CONGRATULATIONS
Danton Hall
Sussex Tech

Congratulations on receiving this great honor! You surprise us every time.! We are all so very proud of you and what you have accomplished! You have worked hard for this and it is well deserved. We wish you only the best in life and we love you!

Love,
Dad, Mom & Regina

CONGRATULATIONS
Dylan Mayer #54
Mt. Olive High School

We are so proud of you for earning the Scholar-Athlete award! This accomplishment is a direct result of your hard work, dedication and believing in yourself and your team. You are amazing and we love you!

Love,
Mom, Dad, Kirstyn and Ally

CONGRATULATIONS JAKE KOPELD #7

Delbarton

You are the epitome of what the term "Scholar-Athlete" should mean. Your leadership, dedication and hard work made everyone around you a better person. Good luck at Brown University... you will do great!

Thank you!
Delbarton Football

CONGRATULATIONS Matthew Carter #56

High Point Regional H.S.

Best Wishes. From the students, faculty, administration and staff

It's a great day to be a Wildcat!

CONGRATULATIONS Michael Luttenberger #42

Pequannock Township H.S.

We are so proud of the young man you have become both on and off the field. Congratulations on this special honor - may it be only the beginning of many more successes in life!

Love,
Mom, Dad, Sarah and Derek

CONGRATULATIONS Jason Luzzi #13

Mt. Lakes High School



The Mountain Lakes Football Team, HERD Alumni, MLHS Athletic Department and the entire Mountain Lakes High School Congratulate your excellence in All Areas.

A great football player, student and teammate.

CONGRATULATIONS Anthony Sofia #12

Randolph High School

We are so proud of your honor as a Scholar Athlete. Your hard work, dedication, commitment and perseverance are admired. We look forward to your next accomplishments.

Love Mom, Dad, Michael and Juliana

CONGRATULATIONS Evan Petrucci #22

W.M. Mendham H.S.



WE ARE ALL SO PROUD OF YOU.

Watching you play football over the past 10 years has been a joy and honor. Your hard work, dedication and passion in everything you do has resulted in this prestigious honor.

You are a smart, loving, caring, respectful young man with great integrity. You have never quit, always worked harder than the other guy and have never been intimidated by anything. Thank you for taking us on this amazing journey.

There will never be another #22 at West Morris Mendham like you.

Love Always & Forever,
Dad, Mom, Garrett and Shayna

CONGRATULATIONS Anthony Mazzella

Madison High School

We are so proud of you every single day.

You are strong, smart, kind and a leader on and off the field.

We are so blessed you are ours.

Love Mom, Dad, Amy,
Bailey & KittyCat

CONGRATULATIONS Evan Vazquez #20

Roxbury High School

We recognize your hard work and dedication to our program. You have a bright future ahead!

The Roxbury Football Fan Club

CONGRATULATIONS Tyler Grieco

Parsippany High School

CONGRATULATIONS Travis Schneider

Vernon High School

CONGRATULATIONS Isaiah Turner

Fairleigh Dickinson University

CONGRATULATIONS Nicholas Baranello

Morris Knolls



Vincenzo Ventricelli
Boonton



Jake Grecco
Butler



Christian Cutitta
Chatham



Trey Zgombic
Delbarton



Masyn Sanchez
Dover



Robert Coyle
Fairleigh Dickinson
University



Edward O'Melia
Hackettstown



Sean Conley
Hanover Park



Chad Musilli
High Point



Andrew Benfatti
Jefferson



Justin Modafferi
Kittatinny



Santiago Quintero
Madison



Damon Lattuga
Morris Catholic



David Kaiser
Morris Knolls



Andrew Sokolowski
Morristown-Beard



Anthony Kloza
Mountain Lakes



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The Greater Morris County Chapter of the National Football Foundation is proud to announce the 2018 Scholar-Athlete Award winners. On March 22, Morris, Sussex, and Warren County football players who demonstrated exceptional athletic and academic accomplishments along with community service were honored at The Madison Hotel in Morristown.

NFF Chapter President and founder Mr. Matt Sellitto spoke in celebration of the Foundation's more than twenty years of work as well as the accomplishments from individual players. Also recognized were the NFF's 2018 Distinguished American Scott Brunner, whose life embodies the chapter's core principles of civic responsibility and professional excellence.

Please visit www.nffmorris.com for more information



Matthew Sellitto
NFF Chapter President



Scott Brunner
2018 Distinguished
American Award



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