## 2018 Rowe Bowl Contest

Back for its $25^{\text {th }}$ year, it's the 2018 Rowe Bowl Contest. The deadline is 5:00 PM (Central), Thursday, December 20. There is a limit of five entries per person. Please forward or copy this e-mail to anyone you think would be interested in participating (spouses, friends, clients, etc.). Just a reminder that my software limits the number of games to 32 so I'm missing a couple of games. I apologize to those of you who have a vested interest in the New Mexico Bowl (North Texas, Utah St.?) and, of course, the Cheribundi Boca Raton Bowl. I also like the Bad Boy Mowers Gasparilla Bowl. You can find past results and the standings as the games are completed. My website is: http://www.markrowecontest.com/RoweBowllndex.htm.

Should Georgia have made the playoffs? Last time I checked they just played Alabama and lost. They're out. Ohio St.? They lost to 6-6 Purdue by 29. They're out. OU? They lost to Texas who lost to Maryland who lost to Temple who lost to Villanova (not in basketball). Somehow that eliminates OU as well. Who should have gotten in? Same as last year - Central Florida. You win all your games you should get in. I don't care if you're going to get crushed or not. The last time Notre Dame was in a championship game it didn't go too well so let UCF have their shot. Of course, the answer is a 16-team playoff. Have I mentioned this before?

Here is your chance to once again prove your football knowledge (or lack thereof). The rules are simple. Each bowl game is listed along with the point spread. Go to the entry form at my website (see above) and pick the team you think will cover the spread for each game. The spread indicates how much one team is supposed to beat another. For example, FIU (Florida International University in case you didn't know) is favored by 5.5 points over Toledo. If you think FIU will win by 6 points or more then pick FIU If you think FIU will win by 5 or less points or not win at all then pick Toledo. If there isn't a point spread, it means you only have to pick the winner. The tiebreaker will be based on the combined score of the championship game. If you think the score will be 37 to 27 then enter $64(37+27)$ in the tie breaker box.

Make sure you click the box next to "Email Me a Copy" so you receive a copy of your picks. If you run into any problems, let me know.

