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Walter Camp Football Foundation Names National Offensive and Defensive Players of the Week

Houston's Case Keenum and Minnesota's Nate Triplett earn weekly honors

New Haven, Conn. – The Walter Camp Football Foundation has announced its Bowl Championship Subdivision National Offensive and Defensive Players of the Week for games ending September 12.

About the Award: This is the sixth year that the Walter Camp Football Foundation will honor one offensive and one defensive player as its national Bowl Subdivision player of the week during the regular season. Recipients are selected by a panel of national media members and administered by the Walter Camp Football Foundation.

OFFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

CASE KEENUM, HOUSTON

Redshirt Junior, Quarterback, Abilene, TX/Wylie

Houston quarterback Case Keenum completed 32-of-46 passes for 366 yards and three touchdowns as the Cougars upset fifth-ranked Oklahoma State, 45-35. Keenum connected on scoring passes of 17, 32 and six yards and also rushed for a 16-yard score. Houston recorded its first victory over a top-five ranked opponent since 1984. It is the second time Keenum has earned Walter Camp National Offensive Player of the Week honors (November 16, 2008).

DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

NATE TRIPLETT, MINNESOTA

Senior, Linebacker, Plain, MN/Delano

Minnesota senior linebacker Nate Triplett recorded a career-high 17 tackles and returned a fumble 52 yards for the go-ahead touchdown in the fourth quarter as the Golden Gophers came-from-behind to defeat Air Force, 20-13. Triplett, who had 12 solo tackles, added a pass break up in the contest.

Walter Camp, "The Father of American football," first selected an All-America team in 1889. Camp – a former Yale University athlete and football coach – is also credited with developing play from scrimmage, set plays, the numerical assessment of goals and tries and the restriction of play to eleven men per side. The Walter Camp Football Foundation – a New Haven-based all-volunteer group – was founded in 1967 to perpetuate the ideals of Camp and to continue the tradition of selecting annually an All-America team.

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