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Former All-American and All-Pro Matt Millen named Walter Camp “Man of the Year”

Former Penn State standout and four-time Super Bowl champion will be honored on January 11

NEW HAVEN, CT – Former Walter Camp All-American and four-time Super Bowl champion and current ESPN college football analyst Matt Millen is the recipient of the Walter Camp Football Foundation’s 2013 “Man of the Year” award.

The Walter Camp “Man of the Year” award honors an individual who has been closely associated with the game of football as a player, coach or close attendant to the game. He must have attained a measure of success and been a leader in his chosen profession. He must have contributed to the public service for the benefit of his community, country and his fellow man. He must have an impeccable reputation for integrity and must be dedicated to our American Heritage and the philosophy of Walter Camp.

Millen joins a distinguished list of former “Man of the Year” winners, including Roger Staubach (Navy), Gale Sayers (Kansas), Dick Butkus (Illinois), John Elway (Stanford) and last year’s recipient Herm Edwards (San Diego State).

“Matt Millen has a passion for the sport of football, as a player and executive and now as an analyst. This devotion makes him a worthy recipient of the Man of the Year Award,” said Foundation president James Monico.

A native of Whitewall, Pa., Millen graduated from Penn State in 1980 with a degree in business. During his collegiate career, Millen helped the Nittany Lions to 30 victories and three bowl games, including back-to-back 11-1 seasons in 1977 and 1978. He earned Walter Camp All-America honors (at defensive tackle) in 1978.

Drafted in the second round (pick 43) in the 1980 NFL Draft, Millen spent 12 years in the NFL with four teams – Oakland/Los Angeles Raiders (1980-1988), San Francisco 49ers (1989-1990) and the Washington Redskins (1991). He won a Super Bowl with each of those teams, including two with the Raiders. During his career, he earned All-Pro honors twice (1984 and 1985) and was selected to play in one Pro Bowl (1988).

Following his playing career, Millen began television work, working NFL games for CBS and later Fox Sports. He left broadcasting in 2001 and became team president for the Detroit Lions where he worked eight years. He returned to television and joined ESPN as an NFL and college football analyst where he works college football games and as a studio analyst for Monday Night Countdown and SportsCenter. Millen also serves as a game analyst for the NFL Network’s eight-game late season package.

Matt and his wife Pat reside in Pennsylvania and have three children. The Millen Family has been extremely active in local charities that focus on spiritual and youth development.

Millen as well as all of the major award winners and members of the 2013 Walter Camp All-America team will be honored at the organization's 47th annual national awards banquet on Saturday, January 11, 2014 at the Yale University Commons in New Haven. The Foundation is offering a "Holiday Ticket Promotion" for the National Awards Dinner. Buy two tickets for \$450 (you save \$150). Please call (203) 288-CAMP (288-2267) for more information.

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 (www.waltercamp.org) – 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.

Man of the Year Recipients

2013 – Matt Millen, Penn State	1990 – Nick Buoniconti, Notre Dame
2012 – Herm Edwards, San Diego State	1989 – Paul Brown, Miami (Ohio)
2011 – Harry Carson, South Carolina State	1988 – Andy Robustelli, Arnold
2010 – Will Shields, Nebraska	1987 – Levi Jackson, Yale
2009 – John Elway, Stanford	1986 – Willie Davis, Grambling
2008 – Morten Andersen, Michigan State	1985 – Ricky Bleier, Notre Dame
2007 – Dick Butkus, University of Illinois	1984 – Don Shula, John Carroll
2006 – Mike Utley, Washington State	1983 – Roger Staubach, Navy
2005 – Dwight Stephenson, Alabama	1982 – Merlin Olsen, Utah State
2004 – Anthony Munoz, Southern California	1981 – Otto Graham, Northwestern
2003 – Ozzie Newsome, Alabama	1980 – Gale Sayers, Kansas
2002 – Jim Kelly, Miami (Fla.)	1979 – Jack Kemp, Occidental
2001 – Mike Singletary, Baylor	1978 – Floyd Little, Syracuse
2000 – Howie Long, Villanova	1977 – Fred Dunlap, Colgate
1999 – Gil Brandt, Dallas Cowboys	1976 – Edward Krause, Notre Dame
1998 – Lou Holtz, Kent State University	1975 – Pete Dawkins, Army
1997 – Calvin Hill, Yale	1974 – Jake Gaither, Knoxville College/Florida A&M
1996 – Lynn Swann, Southern California	1973 – Duffy Daugherty, Syracuse/Michigan State
1995 – Reggie Williams, Dartmouth	1972 – Clinton Frank, Yale
1994 – Dick Anderson, Colorado	1971 – Doc Blanchard, Army
1993 – Warren Moon, Washington	1970 – Harry Kipke, Michigan
1992 – Bob Griese, Purdue	1969 – Pete Rozelle, San Francisco
1991 – Mel Blount, Southern	1968 – Ted Blair, Yale
	1967 – Hamilton Fish, Harvard