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Walter Camp Football Foundation Announces 2007 All-America Team

Player of the Year McFadden one of three Arkansas players on 118th All-America Team

NEW HAVEN, CT – Arkansas running back Darren McFadden headlines the 2007 Walter Camp Football Foundation All-America team, the 118th honored by the organization. The nation's oldest All-America team was announced live this evening on *The Home Depot ESPNU College Football Awards Show*.

McFadden, a junior running back from Little Rock, Ark., is a repeat First Team All-America selection after rushing for 1,725 yards and 15 touchdowns for the Razorbacks. McFadden was also named the 2007 Walter Camp Player of the Year – the first Arkansas player to receive the honor.

Joining McFadden in the offensive backfield is Central Florida junior running back Kevin Smith and Florida sophomore quarterback Tim Tebow. The first UCF player to earn Walter Camp All-America honors, Smith leads the nation in rushing (2,448 yards) and touchdowns (30). Tebow has accounted for 51 touchdowns (29 passing, 22 rushing) this season, and has passed for 3,132 yards.

Two wide receivers from the Big 12 Conference – freshman Michael Crabtree (Texas Tech) and junior Jordy Nelson (Kansas State) - join junior tight end Travis Beckum (Wisconsin) on the first team.

Seniors Jake Long (Michigan), Sam Baker (USC) and Tony Hills (Texas) join junior Anthony Collins (Kansas) on the offensive line. Long is a repeat Walter Camp First Team All-America selection. Junior Jonathan Luigs (Arkansas) is the offensive center. Senior John Sullivan (New Mexico), who connected on 26-of-29 field goals this season, is the placekicker.

Leading the defensive unit is a repeat Walter Camp All-America selection, junior linebacker James Laurinaitis (Ohio State). Laurinaitis leads the nation's top defensive unit with 103 tackles and has added five quarterback sacks and two interceptions. Joining Laurinaitis in the middle are Penn State linebacker Dan Connor (136 tackles, 6.5 quarterback sacks) and Colorado's Jordon Dizon (160 tackles).

Three seniors – Glenn Dorsey (LSU), Chris Long (Virginia) and Sedrick Ellis (USC) – along with sophomore George Selvie (South Florida) comprise the first team defensive interior. Selvie leads the nation with 31.5 tackles for loss. A trio of seniors – Jamie Silva (Boston College), Antoine Cason (Arizona) and Craig Steltz (LSU) - join junior Aqib Talib (Kansas) in the defensive secondary. Silva and Steltz each have six interceptions on the season, while Cason and Talib had five and four, respectively.

The punter is senior Kevin Huber (Cincinnati), who leads the nation with a 46.9 yard-per-punt average, and the kick returner is junior Felix Jones (Arkansas), who has returned two kickoffs for touchdowns.

The Walter Camp All-America team is selected by the head coaches and sports information directors of the 119 Football Bowl Subdivision schools and certified by UHY Advisors, a New Haven-based accounting firm. Walter Camp Football Foundation President John Barbarotta was pleased with the voting participation.

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“We had 80 percent of the Bowl Subdivision schools participate in this year’s voting,” Barbarotta said. “We are very appreciative of the cooperation of the coaches and SIDs in our effort to honor the most outstanding college players each and every season.”

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.

Members of the 2007 Walter Camp All-America team will be honored at the organization’s national awards banquet on January 12, 2008 at the Yale University Commons in New Haven. Please call (203) 288-CAMP for tickets (\$275.00).

2007 Walter Camp Football Foundation All-America Teams

FIRST TEAM OFFENSE

WR	Michael Crabtree, Texas Tech	Fr.	6-3	208	Dallas, TX
WR	Jordy Nelson, Kansas State	Jr.	6-3	217	Riley, KS
TE	Travis Beckum, Wisconsin*	Jr.	6-4	224	Milwaukee, WI
OL	Jake Long, Michigan#	Sr.	6-7	315	Lapeer, MI
OL	Sam Baker, USC*	Sr.	6-5	305	Tustin, CA
OL	Anthony Collins, Kansas	Jr.	6-5	310	Beaumont, TX
OL	Tony Hills, Texas	Sr.	6-6	305	Houston, TX
C	Jonathan Luigs, Arkansas	Jr.	6-4	307	Little Rock, AR
QB	Tim Tebow, Florida	Soph.	6-3	235	Jacksonville, FL
RB	Darren McFadden, Arkansas#	Jr.	6-2	215	Little Rock, AR
RB	Kevin Smith, Central Florida	Jr.	6-1	211	Miami, FL
PK	John Sullivan, New Mexico	Sr.	5-10	152	Tehachapi, CA

FIRST TEAM DEFENSE

DL	Glenn Dorsey, LSU	Sr.	6-2	303	Gonzales, LA
DL	Chris Long, Virginia	Sr.	6-4	284	Ivy, VA
DL	George Selvie, South Florida	Soph.	6-4	242	Pensacola, FL
DL	Sedrick Ellis, USC	Sr.	6-2	305	Chino, CA
LB	Dan Connor, Penn State	Sr.	6-2	233	Wallingford, PA
LB	James Laurinaitis – Ohio State#	Jr.	6-3	240	Hamel, MN
LB	Jordon Dizon, Colorado	Sr.	6-0	220	Kauai, HI
DB	Aqib Talib, Kansas	Jr.	6-2	205	Richardson, TX
DB	Antoine Cason, Arizona	Sr.	6-0	185	Long Beach, CA
DB	Craig Steltz, LSU	Sr.	6-2	209	New Orleans, LA
DB	Jamie Silva, Boston College	Sr.	5-11	210	East Providence, RI
P	Kevin Huber, Cincinnati	Jr.	6-1	220	Cincinnati, OH
KR	Felix Jones, Arkansas	Jr.	6-0	207	Tulsa, OK

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SECOND TEAM OFFENSE

WR	Mario Manningham, Michigan	Jr.	6-0	178	Warren, OH
WR	James Hardy, Indiana	Jr.	6-7	220	Fort Wayne, IN
WR	Devone Bess, Hawaii	Jr.	5-10	190	Oakland, CA
TE	Marvin Rucker, Missouri	Sr.	6-6	255	St. Joseph, MO
OL	Ryan Clady, Boise State	Jr.	6-6	317	Rialto, CA
OL	Barry Richardson, Clemson	Sr.	6-7	330	Mount Pleasant, SC
OL	Ryan Stanchek, West Virginia	Jr.	6-4	300	Cincinnati, OH
OL	Duke Robinson, Oklahoma	Jr.	6-5	352	Atlanta, GA
C	Steve Justice, Wake Forest	Sr.	6-4	284	Port Orange, FL
QB	Chase Daniel, Missouri	Jr.	6-0	225	Southlake, TX
RB	Michael Hart, Michigan*	Sr.	5-9	202	Syracuse, NY
RB	Ray Rice, Rutgers*	Jr.	5-9	205	New Rochelle, NY
PK	Thomas Weber, Arizona State	Fr.	6-1	202	Downey, CA

SECOND TEAM DEFENSE

DL	Vernon Gholston, Ohio State	Jr.	6-4	264	Detroit, MI
DL	Greg Middleton, Indiana	Soph.	6-3	270	Indianapolis, IN
DL	Greg Hardy, Mississippi	Soph.	6-5	255	Millington, TN
DL	Bruce Davis, UCLA	Sr.	6-3	234	Houston, TX
DL	Jonal Saint-Dic, Michigan State	Sr.	6-1	255	Elizabeth, NJ
LB	J Leman, Illinois	Sr.	6-3	243	Champaign, IL
LB	Keith Rivers, USC	Sr.	6-3	235	Lake Mary, FL
LB	Shawn Crable, Michigan	Sr.	6-5	243	Massilon, OH
DB	Alphonso Smith, Wake Forest	Jr.	5-9	191	Pahokee, FL
DB	Malcolm Jenkins, Ohio State	Sr.	6-1	208	Piscataway, NJ
DB	Trey Brown, UCLA	Sr.	5-9	189	Overland Park, KS
DB	Brandon Flowers, Virginia Tech	Jr.	5-10	200	Delray Beach, FL
P	Durant Brooks, Georgia Tech*	Sr.	6-0	202	Macon, GA
KR	Kevin Robinson, Utah State	Sr.	6-0	199	Fresno, CA

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