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

Tulane RB Matt Forté and Vanderbilt DB D.J. Moore honored

New Haven, Conn. – The Walter Camp Football Foundation has announced its Bowl Subdivision National Offensive and Defensive Players of the Week for games ending October 20.

About the Award: It is the fourth consecutive year that the Walter Camp Football Foundation will honor one offensive and one defensive player as its national “Bowl Subdivision Player of the Week.” Selections are made each week during the regular season by a panel of national media members and publicized by the Walter Camp Football Foundation.

OFFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

MATT FORTÉ, TULANE
Senior, Running Back, Slidell, LA/Slidell HS

For the second time this season, senior running back Matt Forté set school and Conference USA records for rushing yards with 342 rushing yards (on 38 carries) and scored four touchdowns, including a game-winning nine-yard touchdown run in overtime, as Tulane held off SMU, 41-34. Forté, who was the *Walter Camp Offensive Player of the Week* on September 23 after recording 303 yards and five touchdowns in a win over Southeastern Louisiana, scored on runs of 77 (a career best), 9 and 5 yards before his nine-yard scamper in overtime.

DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

D.J. MOORE, VANDERBILT
Sophomore, Defensive Back, Spartanburg, SC/Broome HS

Sophomore defensive back D.J. Moore had two interceptions – including one in the end zone - and added a team-high eight tackles (5 solo) as Vanderbilt upset sixth-ranked South Carolina, 17-6. In addition to his defensive heroics, Moore averaged 34.0 yards in his three kickoff returns. It was the highest-ranked opponent Vanderbilt has beaten since beating sixth-ranked LSU in the 1937 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. For more information on the Walter Camp Football Foundation, go to www.waltercamp.org.