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Walter Camp Football Foundation Announces 2014 All-America Teams

It is the 125th edition of the nation's oldest All-American Team

NEW HAVEN, CT – Player of the Year **Marcus Mariota**, quarterback from second-ranked Oregon, headlines the 2014 Walter Camp Football Foundation All-America Team, the 125th honored by the organization. The nation's oldest All-America squad was announced this evening on *The Home Depot ESPN College Football Awards Show*.

Third-ranked Florida State had three players selected to the First Team, while top-ranked Alabama, Oregon and Utah all had two honorees. In all, 20 different schools from six conferences were represented on the All-America First Team. The Atlantic Coast Conference, Pac 12, and Southeastern Conference each had six selections.

The Walter Camp All-America teams are selected by the head coaches and sports information directors of the 125 Football Bowl Subdivision schools and certified by Marcum LLP, a New Haven-based accounting firm. Walter Camp Football Foundation President James Monico was pleased with the voting participation.

“Once again, we had more than 80 percent of the FBS schools participate in this year's voting,” Monico said. “We are very appreciative of the continuing cooperation of the coaches and sports information directors in our annual effort to honor the nation's most outstanding college players.”

Leading the offensive unit is Mariota, the 2014 Walter Camp Player of the Year. The nation's leader in pass efficiency (186.3), Mariota has thrown for 3,783 yards and 38 touchdowns for the nation's third-ranked scoring offense (46.3 points per game).

The nation's top two rushers – both juniors and from the Big 10 Conference – are on the First Team. Junior **Melvin Gordon (Wisconsin)** has rushed for 2,336 yards and 179.7 yards per game, while **Tevin Coleman (Indiana)** has totaled 2,036 yards on the ground.

Junior **Amari Cooper (Alabama)** and sophomore **Rashard Higgins (Colorado State)** are the wide receivers. Cooper has 105 catches for 1,656 yards and 14 touchdowns, while Higgins has 89 catches for 1,640 yards and 17 touchdowns. The tight end is **Nick O'Leary (Florida State)**.

On the offensive line, four seniors were selected: **Brandon Scherff (Iowa)**, **Tre' Jackson (Florida State)**, **Cedric Ogbuehi (Texas A&M)** and **Laken Tomlinson (Duke)**. Senior **Reese Dismukes (Auburn)** is the offensive center.

Placekicker **Roberto Aguayo (Florida State)** is a repeat First Team honoree. Aguayo has converted 25-of-27 field goals and all 53 of his point-after-kicks this season for the Seminoles.

Leading the defensive unit is sophomore linebacker **Scooby Wright III (Arizona)**. Wright III has totaled 158 tackles (89 solo) for the Wildcats and leads the nation with 28 tackles for loss. Joining Wright

in the middle is **Hau'oli Kikaha (Washington)** and **Paul Dawson (TCU)**. Kikaha leads the nation with 18 sacks.

Repeat First Team All-American **Vic Beasley (Clemson)** is joined by senior **Nate Orchard (Utah)**, junior **Shane Ray (Missouri)** and sophomore **Joey Bosa (Ohio State)**. Orchard is second in the nation with 17.5 sacks.

Sophomore **Gerod Holliman (Louisville)**, who leads the nation with 14 interceptions, anchors the defensive secondary. He is joined by seniors **Ifo Ekpre-Olomu (Oregon)**, **Senquez Golson (Ole Miss)** and junior **Landon Collins (Alabama)**. Ekpre-Olomu was a Second Team Walter Camp All-American in 2013.

The punter is junior **Tom Hackett (Utah)**, who averages 47.0 yards-per-punt. The kick returner is senior **Jamarcus Nelson (UAB)**, who has four kickoff returns for touchdowns this season.

The 2014 Walter Camp Player of the Year and members of the All-America team will be honored at the organization's national awards banquet, presented by First Niagara Bank, on Saturday, January 17, 2015 at the Yale University Commons in New Haven.

In addition, the Foundation will recognize three individuals – broadcasting legend **Verne Lundquist** (Distinguished American), former Notre Dame and Pittsburgh Steeler standout running back **Jerome Bettis** (Man of the Year) and former Air Force All-American and Dallas Cowboy **Chad Hennings** (Alumnus of the Year) – with major awards.

The Foundation is offering a "Holiday Ticket Promotion" for the National Awards Dinner. Buy two tickets for \$450 (you save \$150) before December 31. 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 – 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.

The Walter Camp Football Foundation is a member of the National College Football Awards Association (NCFAA). The NCFAA was founded in 1997 as a coalition of the major collegiate football awards to protect, preserve and enhance the integrity, influence and prestige of the game's predominant awards. The NCFAA encourages professionalism and the highest standards for the administration of its member awards and the selection of their candidates and recipients. Visit <http://www.ncfaa.org>.

First Team Offense

Pos.	Name, School	Ht	Wgt	Yr.	Hometown
WR	Amari Cooper, Alabama	6-1	210	Jr.	Miami, FL
WR	Rashard Higgins, Colorado State	6-2	188	Soph.	Mesquite, TX
TE	Nick O'Leary, Florida State	6-3	247	Sr.	Palm Beach, FL
OL	Brandon Scherff, Iowa	6-5	320	Sr.	Denison, Iowa
OL	Tre' Jackson, Florida State	6-4	330	Sr.	Jesup, GA
OL	Cedric Ogbuehi, Texas A&M	6-5	305	Sr.	Allen, TX
OL	Laken Tomlinson, Duke	6-3	330	Sr.	Chicago, IL
C	Reese Dismukes, Auburn	6-3	295	Sr.	Spanish Fort, AL
QB	Marcus Mariota, Oregon	6-4	219	Jr.	Honolulu, HI
RB	Melvin Gordon, Wisconsin	6-1	213	Jr.	Kenosha, WI
RB	Tevin Coleman, Indiana	6-1	210	Jr.	Tinley Park, IL
PK	Roberto Aguayo, Florida State *	6-1	213	Soph.	Mascotte, FL

First Team Defense

Pos.	Name, School	Ht	Wgt	Yr.	Hometown
DL	Nate Orchard, Utah	6-4	255	Sr.	Salt Lake City, UT
DL	Shane Ray, Missouri	6-3	245	Jr.	Kansas City, MO
DL	Vic Beasley, Clemson *	6-3	235	Sr.	Adairsville, GA
DL	Joey Bosa, Ohio State	6-5	278	Soph.	Fort Lauderdale, FL
LB	Scooby Wright III, Arizona	6-1	246	Soph.	Windsor, CA
LB	Hau'oli Kikaha, Washington	6-3	246	Sr.	Laie, HI
LB	Paul Dawson, TCU	6-2	230	Sr.	Dallas, TX
DB	Gerod Holliman, Louisville	6-2	213	Soph.	Miami, FL
DB	Ifo Ekpre-Olomu, Oregon @	5-10	195	Sr.	Chino Hills, CA
DB	Senquez Golson, Ole Miss	5-9	176	Sr.	Pascagoula, MS
DB	Landon Collins, Alabama	6-0	222	Jr.	New Orleans, LA
P	Tom Hackett, Utah	5-11	187	Jr.	Melbourne, Australia
KR	Jamarcus Nelson, UAB	5-11	160	Sr.	Midfield, AL

Second Team Offense

Pos.	Name, School	Ht	Wgt	Yr.	Hometown
WR	Kevin White, West Virginia	6-3	210	Sr.	Plainfield, NJ
WR	Tyler Lockett, Kansas State #	5-11	175	Sr.	Tulsa, OK
TE	Maxx Williams, Minnesota	6-4	250	Soph.	Waconia, MN
OL	Andrus Peat, Stanford	6-7	316	Jr.	Chandler, AZ
OL	Spencer Drango, Baylor	6-6	310	Jr.	Cedar Park, TX
OL	A.J. Cann, South Carolina	6-4	311	Sr.	Bamberg, SC
OL	Arie Kouandjio, Alabama	6-5	316	Sr.	Hyattsville, MD
C	Hronus Grassu, Oregon	6-3	297	Sr.	Los Angeles, CA
QB	Trevone Boykin, TCU	6-2	205	Jr.	Dallas, TX
RB	James Conner, Pittsburgh	6-2	250	Soph.	Erie, PA
RB	Ameer Abdullah, Nebraska	5-9	195	Sr.	Homewood, AL
PK	Brad Craddock, Maryland	6-0	185	Jr.	Adelaide, Australia

Second Team Defense

Pos.	Name, School	Ht	Wgt	Yr.	Hometown
DL	Malcolm Brown, Texas	6-2	320	Jr.	Brenham, TX
DL	Leonard Williams, USC	6-5	300	Jr.	Daytona Beach, FL
DL	Shilique Calhoun, Michigan State @	6-5	256	Jr.	Middletown, NJ
DL	Dante Fowler, Jr., Florida	6-3	277	Fr.	St. Petersburg, FL
DL	Danny Shelton, Washington	6-2	339	Sr.	Auburn, WA
LB	Jordan Hicks, Texas	6-1	234	Sr.	Cincinnati, OH
LB	Eric Kendricks, UCLA	6-0	230	Sr.	Fresno, CA
LB	Benardrick McKinney, Mississippi State	6-5	249	Jr.	Tunica, MS
DB	Jeremy Cash, Duke	6-2	205	Jr.	Miami, FL
DB	Trae Waynes, Michigan State	6-1	182	Jr.	Kenosha, WI
DB	Vernon Hargreaves III, Florida	5-11	192	Fr.	Tampa, FL
DB	Kendall Fuller, Virginia Tech	6-0	190	Soph.	Baltimore, MD
P	Austin Rehkow, Idaho *	6-3	215	Soph.	Veradale, WA
KR	Tyler Lockett, Kansas State #	5-11	175	Sr.	Tulsa, OK

* - 2013 First Team Walter Camp All-American

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- 2011 First Team Walter Camp All-American