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## **CLAYBORN NAMED BIG TEN DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK**

**IOWA CITY, Iowa** - - University of Iowa senior defensive end Adrian Clayborn has been named Big Ten Defensive Player of the Week following Iowa's 24-3 win over Penn State last Saturday. The announcement came today from the Big Ten office.

Clayborn (6-4, 285) is a native of St. Louis, MO (Webster Groves HS). He collected 10 tackles in the win over Penn State, including a quarterback sack for minus 15 yards and three tackles for loss. Iowa held Penn State to 54 net rushing yards and just three points while collecting its third straight win over the Nittany Lions.

Iowa has not allowed a touchdown in its last two games and has not allowed a rushing touchdown this season. The Hawkeyes currently rank second nationally in scoring defense (10.2) and rushing defense (63.2), and fourth in total defense (242.2).

The Big Ten honor is the third for Clayborn and the third for Iowa this season. Clayborn earned the recognition for special teams in Iowa's 2009 win at Penn State and he was defensive Player of the Week in Iowa's 2009 win at Michigan State.

Earlier this season, RB Paki O'Meara earned the special teams honor vs. Eastern Illinois and DT Mike Daniels was defensive Player of the Week vs. Ball State.

The nationally-ranked Hawkeyes moved to 15th in both the Associated Press and the coaches' poll after opening Big Ten Conference play with the win over Penn State. Iowa is idle this weekend and returns to action Oct. 16 at No. 17/18 Michigan (2:35 p.m. CT, ABC).

Iowa had eight players named Big Ten Players of the Week last year (four on defense, one offense and three special team winners).



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