

# Kirksey collects Big Ten honor

By Brendan Stiles

*HawkeyeDrive.com*

One day after receiving honors as the Walter Camp Defensive Player of the Week, Iowa senior linebacker Christian Kirksey added to the collection Monday when he was named the Big Ten's Defensive Player of the Week following the Hawkeyes' 38-17 win over Nebraska on Nov. 29.

In the 21-point victory over the Cornhuskers, Kirksey recorded a team-high 11 tackles, three of which resulted in negative yardage. He was also credited with a sack, a pass break-up and a forced fumble.

Kirksey is the fourth Hawkeye defender to receive an accolade from the Big Ten this season. Fellow senior linebacker James Morris was twice named Big Ten Defensive Player of the Week, and senior cornerback B.J. Lowery received the defensive honor once back in September. Cornerback Desmond King garnered the Freshman Player of the Week honor in October.