

Corder on NFF Honor Society list

Senior earned degree in 3 1/2 years

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DALLAS - The National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame (NFF) announced today the members of the 2008 NFF Hampshire Honor Society, which is comprised of college football players from all divisions of play who each maintained a 3.2 GPA or better. A total of 433 players from 225 schools qualified for membership in the society's



second year, an increase of more than 25 percent from the inaugural class in 2007, and Middle Tennessee's Clinton Corder represented the Blue Raiders.

Corder, a senior this past season from Brentwood, started eight times a year ago and played in all 12 games. A Draddy Trophy list finalist in 2007, Corder led all tight ends in 2007 with seven winning grades. Corder earned a degree in marketing in December 2006 with a minor in business administration and is currently enrolled in graduate school. A member of the Dean's List and the SBC Commissioner's List, Corder owned a 3.47 grade point average.

"It's a privilege to be a part of this initiative," said Florida State President and NFF Hampshire Honor Society National Advisory Committee Chairman Dr. T.K. Wetherell. "I am pleased to see the strong membership growth that NFF Hampshire Honor Society produced in its second year. I would encourage coaches at all levels to tap the competitive spirit of their teams and promote membership and academic performance as a point of pride among their players."

The NFF Hampshire Honor Society capitalizes on the NFF's current National Scholar-Athlete program, greatly expanding the number of scholar-athletes the NFF can recognize each year and further strengthening its leadership role in encouraging academic performance by the student-athletes who play football at the more than 700 college and universities with football programs.

Qualifications for membership in the inaugural NFF National Honor Society include:

- " Being a starter or a significant substitute in one's last year of eligibility at an accredited NCAA Football Bowl Subdivision, Football Championship Subdivision, Division II, Division III, or an NAIA college or university;
- " Achieving a 3.2 cumulative grade point average throughout entire course of undergraduate study; and
- " Meeting all NCAA-mandated progress towards degree requirements.

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