

## Love Football? You'll Love Your Public Library

Hut-Hut! Football season has begun! Fans love how the intense football season is built around one big game on the weekend, but that sure leaves a lot of down time from the sport throughout the week, doesn't it? Luckily, the Bartholomew County Public Library has materials that can help maintain your football fever throughout the week. Or, if you are someone who has never quite understood the game, we have helpful materials as well. While you're waiting for one of our copies of the Tony Dungy book to come in, check out these football books and video materials available for checkout.

### Books

"The Chick's Guide to Football: A Complete Guide to Tight Ends" by Carol Stout.

A reviewer states that this book is needed by most guys as well- "Just turn back the cover." True, take away the hot pink cover and the devilish wordplay in the title, and this book is great for any novice. The author covers everything you'd ever want to know on the sport, from playbooks and player positions to the history of the National Football League and college football. Stout even provides food recipes for tailgating and gives football movie recommendations!

"Football For Dummies" by Howie Long.

Former Raider defensive end (and action hero) Howie Long presents an insider introduction to the game of football. This book is written in a more straight ahead manner, and Long assumes the readers have at least a workable knowledge of the game. His experience as a professional player allows him to give the reader tips and observations that a non-player could not give.

"Third and a Mile: The Trials and Triumphs of the Black Quarterback" by William C. Rhoden.

This book was written to introduce readers to the very first African-American quarterbacks in professional football and to detail the struggles and successes of those players that followed. This work is told completely as an oral history, and features oral contributions by many of the most famous black quarterbacks in the history of the game, including Warren Moon, Steve McNair, Doug Williams, and Donovan McNabb.

"300 Pounds of Attitude: The Wildest Stories and Craziest Characters the NFL Has Ever Seen" by Jonathan Rand.

Rand is a football writer with decades of experience, so it's no wonder that this book is filled with so many laugh-out-loud moments involving the game of football. Take this story straight from the back cover: "Steve Sabol of NFL Films answered the door to see his friend, Philadelphia Eagles linebacker Tim "Rosso" Rossovich, standing there literally *on fire*. After Sabol knocked Rossovich to the ground and put out the fire, Rosso stood up and (without missing a beat) said, "Sorry, I must have the wrong apartment.""

"The Blind Side: Evolution of a Game" by Michael Lewis.

Lewis addresses some of the more "hidden" aspects of the game of football. The primary focus of the book is the role of the offensive line's left tackle, the player responsible with protecting the blind side of most quarterbacks. (Colts fans, think the recently retired Tarik Glenn.) The analysis of this football position is fleshed out by an in-depth profile of a superbly gifted tackle from inner-city Memphis.

## **DVDs**

### "Marshall University: Ashes to Glory"

This DVD would be the perfect non-fiction companion to the recent Matthew McConaughey movie "We Are Marshall" about the Marshall University football team's 1970 airplane tragedy.

### "Super Bowl XLI Champions: Indianapolis Colts."

Yes, we have the official video of the Colts' 2006 season that ended with a Super Bowl title in February 2007. See highlights of the team's regular season as well as moments from the playoffs and the Big Game.

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