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Loose Balls Anchor
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Winter Games U of Nebraska Press

"College recruiters are clamoring to sign up Terrell Jamerson, the #1 high school basketball player in the country. But not all of these recruiters are straight shooters, and Terrell will have to think fast if he wants to stay in the game"--

The Big East Little, Brown

"A sixteen-year-old shortstop in Cuba who dreams of playing with the pros must choose between his country and his father who defected to the U.S."--

Rush for the Gold Yearling Books

"The compulsively readable, definitive account of the greatest era of the most influential league in college basketball history, infused with the raucous spirit and roaring voices of the league's legendary coaches and players. There has never been, nor will there ever be, another league quite like the Big East. Five Big East schools have won national college basketball titles, and five coaches are enshrined in the Hall of Fame. Eight players have been named the Most Outstanding Player of the Final Four. But the magic and mastery of the league cannot be quantified by trophies or plaques. During its golden era, the league's heart beat in its moments and personalities. Syracuse versus Georgetown, Patrick versus Chris, Allen versus Allen, the Pearl, Billy the Kid, P.J and six overtimes. Combustible, competitive, and, at times, maybe even a little crazy, they turned the Big East into must-watch TV just as cable television took off. The players, many products of the Northeast playgrounds, competed fiercely and physically, their talent mixing with their fire to produce unforgettable games and court battles. The coaches were each more of a caricature than the next-the wild mania of Rollie Massimino versus the stoic intimidation of John Thompson, Jr. Or sweet, lovable Looie

Carnesecca going toe-to-toe against perpetually whiny Jim Boeheim. The rivalries were real, the Catholic tradition ran deep, and the loyalties went beyond fan fervor. These titans of athletic prowess and power fought over every recruit, every gameday advantage, every basket, and every conference title. On the court, down back hallways, in meeting rooms, and on golf courses, they bickered and postured, not willing to cede a competitive inch. From the formation of the league to the backstories of the people who shaped it, to inside the epic games and players that sealed its relevance and laid the groundwork for its eventual rebirth, The Big East tells the tale of the most powerful and entertaining league in college basketball history"--

The Controversial 1972 Olympic Basketball Final Simon and Schuster

Documents the story of the Olympic squad that won the gold at the 1992 Barcelona Games, assessing the achievements and legacy of some of the NBA's greatest players, including Magic Johnson, Michael Jordan, and Charles Barkley.

Playing for Knight Knopf Books for Young Readers

The path to victory starts on the sidelines, in this fast-paced new middle grade series from #1 New York Times bestselling sportwriting powerhouse John Feinstein. Twelve-year-old Jeff Michaels, son of a Philadelphia TV sports reporter, is just learning to play soccer on the new sixth-grade team at his middle school. Andrea Carillo has fought her way onto the squad, but the coach doesn ' t think girls should play with boys, so she ' s riding the bench with Jeff—even though she ' s one of the best players. With Jeff ' s help, the Philly media gets ahold of the story, and suddenly Andi is all over the news as she shows her worth on the soccer field. But amid bullies, threats, and a media firestorm, will Andi ' s skills and Jeff ' s perseverance be enough to save the season? From sportswriter John Feinstein comes this action-packed novel about two kids who may be "benchwarmers," but prove themselves naturals when it comes to teamwork, friendship, and finding a path to victory.

The Life and Troubled Times of Major League Baseball Simon and Schuster

From the #1 New York Times best-selling author of Travel Team, Heat and Million Dollar Throw comes a cheer-worthy, family-friendly novel about 14-year-old Jake Cullen, who lives in the shadows of his father and older brother until he becomes the starting quarterback for the high school football team and finally gets his chance to shine.

How Brad Stevens and Butler University Built the Bulldogs for March Madness First Second
Trouble is about to tip off for Jeff and Andi ' s sixth-grade basketball teams in Game Changers, a standalone second book in the middle-grade Benchwarmers series by #1 New York Times bestselling sportswriter John Feinstein. After a controversial season playing on the boys' soccer team, Andi Carillo is ready to kick butt and take names on the girls' basketball team. Jeff Michaels, her best friend, is raring to drop his benchwarmer status from soccer and play a

leading role on the boys' basketball squad. But between a coach's coded racism and a teammate's endless sabotage, neither Andi nor Jeff is in for a layup of a season. To make matters worse, the local media smells more than one juicy story. Will Andi and Jeff be able to power through and find a way to help both their teams rebound? From sportswriting legend John Feinstein comes this fast-paced novel about two friends who are willing to risk it all to change the game—on and off the court.

A Mystery Blink

What do Julius Erving, Larry Brown, Moses Malone, Bob Costas, the Indiana Pacers, the San Antonio Spurs and the Slam Dunk Contest have in common? They all got their professional starts in the American Basketball Association. What do Julius Erving, Larry Brown, Moses Malone, Bob Costas, the Indiana Pacers, the San Antonio Spurs and the Slam Dunk Contest have in common? They all got their professional starts in the American Basketball Association. The NBA may have won the financial battle, but the ABA won the artistic war. With its stress on wide-open individual play, the adoption of the 3-point shot and pressing defense, and the encouragement of flashy moves and flying dunks, today's NBA is still—decades later —just the ABA without the red, white and blue ball. Loose Balls is, after all these years, the definitive and most widely respected history of the ABA. It's a wild ride through some of the wackiest, funniest, strangest times ever to hit pro sports—told entirely through the (often incredible) words of those who played, wrote and connived their way through the league's nine seasons.

Backfield Boys Yearling

Sixteen-year-old Kari juggles saving her spy parents while impressing the guy she has been in love with forever.

The Smartest Kid in the Universe Penguin

When an on-court fight broke out between the Houston Rockets and the LA Lakers just before Christmas 1977, Rudy Tomjanovitch raced to break it up. He was met by Kermit Washington's fist. This is the story of how one punch changed two lives, the NBA and how we think about basketball, forever.

The Queen's Secret G.P. Putnam's Sons Books for Young Readers

When seventh-grader Jake McQuade mistakes the world's first ingestible knowledge pills for jelly beans, he suddenly knows all about physics and geometry and can speak Swahili (though Spanish would be a lot more useful)--but his sort-of girlfriend Grace thinks they can use his new found brilliance to save their middle school from the new principal, who is conspiring to get it shut down.

Three Seconds in Munich Villard

"When Cal and Lilac are forced to face dark forces apart, the strength of their love--and their kingdom--are put to the ultimate test"--

Game Seven Ballantine Books

A Season on the Brink chronicles the basketball season that John Feinstein spent following the Indiana Hoosiers and their fiery coach, Bob Knight. Knight granted Feinstein an unprecedented inside look at college basketball -- with complete access to every moment of the season. Feinstein saw and heard it all -- practices, team meetings, strategy sessions, and mid-game huddles -- during Knight's struggle to avoid a losing season. A Season on the Brink not only captures the drama and pressure of big-time college basketball but paints a vivid portrait of a complex, brilliant coach walking a fine line between genius and madness.

Little Brown

From two senior Sports Illustrated writers comes an explosive, fast-paced satire that will do for today's NBA what North Dallas Forty did for the NFL a generation ago. Just months from his Yale graduation, street-smart whiz kid Jamal Kelly leaves school to take a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to join the front office of the Los Angeles Lasers. Once on the West Coast, Jamal gets

a quick introduction to a subculture awash in big egos and fast cars, as well as an introduction to the charms of the team's new hard-charging beat writer, Jilly Forrester. In the spirit of Primary Colors and The Devil Wears Prada, Foul Lines peels back the curtain on the trappings of big-time professional basketball. No other sport encapsulates so many cultural hot-button topics, and Foul Lines at once exposes and lampoons this parallel universe.

Inside the Most Entertaining and Influential Conference in College Basketball History Anchor Books One. Two. Three. That's as long as it took to sear the souls of a dozen young American men, thanks to the craziest, most controversial finish in the history of the Olympics--the 1972 gold-medal basketball contest between the United States of America and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, the world's two superpowers at the time. The U.S. team, whose unbeaten Olympic streak dated back to when Adolf Hitler reigned over the Berlin Games, believed it had won the gold medal that September in Munich--not once, but twice. But it was the third time the final seconds were played that counted. What happened? The head of international basketball--flouting rules he himself had created--trotted onto the court and demanded twice that time be put back on the clock. A referee allowed an illegal substitution and an illegal free-throw shooter for the Soviets while calling a slew of late fouls on the U.S. players. The American players became the only Olympic athletes in the history of the games to refuse their medals. Of course, the 1972 Olympics are remembered primarily for a far graver matter, when eleven Israeli team members were killed by Palestinian terrorists, stunning the world and temporarily stopping the games. One American player, Tommy Burleson, had a gun to his head as the hostages were marched past him before their deaths. Through interviews with many of the American players and others, the author relates the horror of terrorism, the pain of losing the most controversial championship game in sports history to a hated rival, and the consequences of the players' decision to shun their Olympic medals to this day.

Life in the Minor Leagues of Baseball Foul Trouble

The author of A Season on the Brink creates a story of intrigue and murder set in cutthroat world of college basketball, where recruiters will do what is necessary to sign a potential Michael Jordan.

A Benchwarmers Novel Harper Collins

After winning a basketball reporting contest, eighth graders Stevie and Susan Carol are sent to cover the Final Four tournament, where they discover that a talented player is being blackmailed into throwing the final game.

A Football Mystery in Black and White Farrar, Straus and Giroux (BYR)

Two teenaged aspiring journalists who are dating solve a mystery at the 2012 Olympic Games, while one simultaneously competes for a gold medal in swimming.

QB 1 Simon and Schuster

Bestselling sportswriter John Feinstein exposes the big money and back-room deals that pervade college-basketball recruiting in this fast-break young adult novel. Terrell Jamerson is the #1 high school basketball player in the country. His team is poised to win State, top colleges are lining up to give him scholarships, and everyone says he could play in the NBA tomorrow. But it only takes one false step to lose everything. Danny Wilcox is Terrell ' s best friend and teammate, and a top prospect himself, but these days it seems like everyone wants to get close to Terrell: the sneaker guys, the money managers, the college boosters. They show up offering fast cars, hot girls, and cold, hard cash. They say they just want to help, but their kind of help could get Terrell disqualified. Danny and Terrell better keep their eyes on the ball if they hope to last the season. John Feinstein has been praised as “ the best writer of sports books in America today ” (The Boston Globe), and he proves it again in this fast-paced novel.

“ Thorough and suspenseful; a must-read for those interested in basketball and the dealings surrounding

the sport. ” —Kirkus Reviews, Starred