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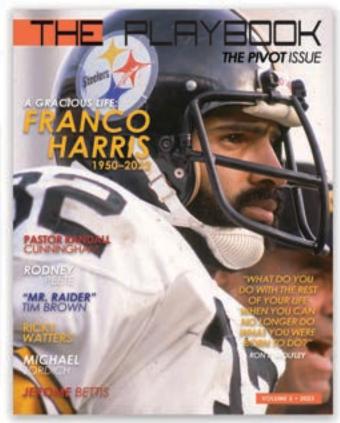
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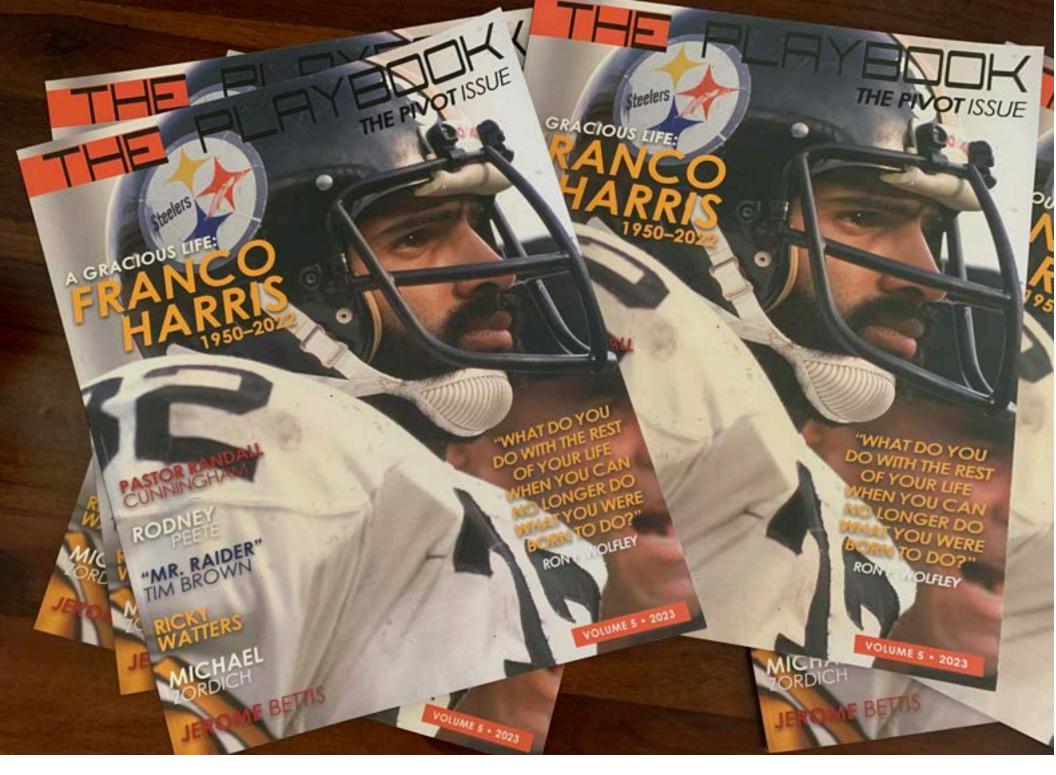




#### THE PLAYBOOK VOL. VI - The Herlssue

Volume VI will showcase dynamic NFL women who are making an impact on the game, in business and in life through passion, action, talent and perseverance.

THE PLAYBOOK Volume VI - the Herlssue will be distributed in the fall of 2024.



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#### MISSION

THE PLAYBOOK equips NFL players and spouses with an annual playbook that arms them with an immediate network, recourses, external opportunities, in-person engagement opportunities designed to empower today's NFL player and spouse.

#### VISION

THE PLAYBOOK continues to be a viable source of information and influence for NFL families and to offer shared experiences in all aspects of the NFL journey - from rookie season to transition to life after the game.

#### VALUE ADD

THE PLAYBOOK equips NFL families with access to recourses that will benefit them throughout their NFL experience and life after the game. Introducing NFL players and spouses to people of impact who can assist them as they navigate through unchartered waters; entering the league, veteran years, transition, the next chapter.

#### VALUE ADD PARTNERS

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#### GOALS

THE PLAYBOOK offers an inclusive compilation of all NFL resources. To showcase the various initiatives spearheaded by the National Football League as well as the many NFL affiliated groups that co-exist to engage and connect NFL families.

#### CONCEPTS

THE PLAYBOOK does not list resources, but showcases resources with full-feature articles, testimonials and program recaps.

#### EXTERNAL

THE PLAYBOOK offers real, authentic stories for NFL families that lead them to the groups and resources that benefit them most. A proactive gesture to equip NFL families with a strong network. An immediate network for NFL men and women to refer to throughout the season and throughout their NFL experience. THE PLAYBOOK ensures that NFL resources are placed directly in the hands of NFL families.



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Sponsorship opportunities in **THE** PLAYBOOK extend far beyond mere visibililty. Referred to as introductions, not ads - we offer space to our partners to share their story with the NFL Family.

Whether is is their brand journey, their mission, their global impact, non-profit or charitable foundation - we hope that in telling their story, NFL players and spouses might reach out to connect, collaborate and begin an organic relationship of their own.

We also include brand contact information and all social handles to make that connection easy.

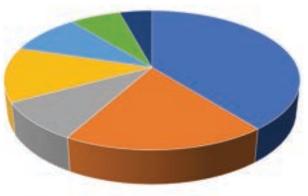


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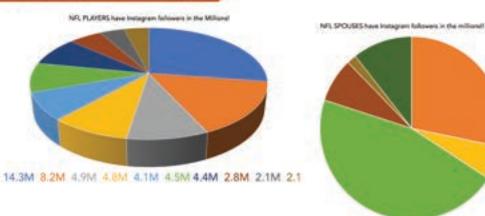
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- Product endorsement
- Ambassadorship
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- Collaboration
- Investment
- Job Shadowing
- Career Opportunities
- · Participation in global partner initiatives/charitable foundations





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"THREAD'S motto is Let's grow together. You won't hear us say it - you'll see it at our events and you'll feel it in everything we do. From going out of our way to promote the efforts of NFL Players, NFL Spouses, NFL Programs and NFL Affiliated Groups to supporting our partners and friends."

> Cynthia Zordich Founder, THREAD Editor, THE PLAYBOOK

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Cynthia Zordich is the Founder of Thread, Editor of The Playbook, Co-Author of When The Clock Runs Out and Co-host of YNS Live with NFL Thread and PIVOT. Cynthia has spent her adult life around the game. Married to former NFL Safety, Michael Zordich, now the Assistant Head Coach/DB Coach at Central Michigan - she prefers to go "Behind The Cage" to find the stories and images that show the other side of the game. She is devoted to the growth of NFL players and spouses as individuals. Cynthia and Michael have three great kids - Michael V. (Lyndsay), Alex (Nicolette) and Aidan (Ray). Plus, Miss Reagan James! **Cynthia2ordich@nflthread.net** 





Juliet Hahn is the Founder of Your Next Stop, Co-Host of YNS Live with NFL Thread, Co-Founder and Co-host of Word Blindness and CCO of FetTech. Juliet takes you through the stories of real people who have overcome adversity, risen to the top, followed their dreams, and made a difference in their communities. Through these conversations, Juliet guides people to explore their past in order to connect the dots to their own story. Everyone has a story and it is through sharing, active listening (and sometimes laughing) that people connect and learn from one another. Juliet is married to Dan Hahn and has three amazing teens - Montgomery, Truman and Penelope plus two boxers -Karlie Jane and Herbie.

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"After reading The Playbook, Michael and I saw the inspiration, dedication and perseverance in every article. Thank you, Cynthia, for the opportunities you have allowed us to partake in! We are HUMBLED!" Rachel McKenzie

"Each year, I look forward to the release of The Playbook. It's always fun to see who in our NFL family will be featured and to check out the different programs and events discussed in the articles. Typically, we hear about the performance of an active or a former player on the field, but The Playbook gives us a behind-the-scenes look at what work is being done 'off the field,' yep that was a shameless plug there. As president of Off the Field Players' Wives Association, 1 am thankful for the opportunity to share information about our organization and the difference we make in the lives of our NFL families and the community. This magazine is the perfect catalyst to introduce us to people that may not have known we exist or may not know what we do. I am anxiously awaiting the next issue. I abolutely lowe The Playbook!"

"The Playbook is a such a valuable tool for the football community. It has in-depth information that is important for players, legends and their families and presents it in a way that is compelling and easy to apply to your own experience. Cynthia and team have always been great to work with and truly have a heart to serve the football community." Tracy Perlman

"The Playbook is a valuable publication for all active and former NFL players. From profiles on the lives of former players, financial planning tools for current players, insights on how players can transition to other football related jobs and much more, The Playbook is first class from cover to cover." Mitchell Joseph

"As a sister to two former NFL players, I care deeply about the NFL community. When I read the first volume of The Playbook, I was so impressed with its presentation. It was beautifully curated and contained so much useful information; I referred to it several times throughout the year. It was a joy to be featured in the second volume. The interviewer asked such thoughtful questions about my journey, and I appreciated the opportunity to include pictures of our amazing team at the Football Players Health Study at Harvard University. The picture of my parents was a really special part of the feature. I am thankful for their love and support, which laid the foundation for me to become the woman I am today. By the way, I gasped when I saw the article." Alicla J. Whittington

"The Playbook is a great resource for NFL news that you won't find anywhere else. The Playbook's creative approach to covering the business of football, as well as personal stories of extraordinary individuals within the league, is outstanding." Joe Blaney

"The Playbook is an amazing resource for players and their families. I personally like the old-school feel of the magazine - so much of what we read lives on our phones, so it is nice to sit down and thumb through the pages. Both volumes, I and II, sit on my coffee table. I can't wait for this year's edition!" Carla Lide-Buglione

"I'm so happy about this publication. The Playbook is so beautiful and done so well. I'm glad the NFL is leading on this, bringing all of the groups together. I'm excited that everyone participates. It's one of the few places where we can all kind of kumbaya on player services." Andre Collins

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