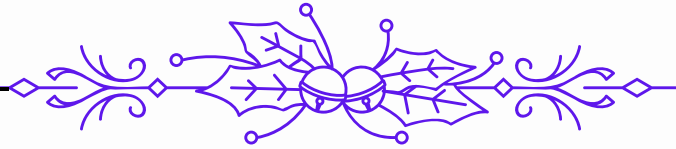


# ***Mother's of Professional Basketball Players***

MPBP Newsletter



## ***Message from MPBP President!***

**Written by Mona Lawton**

**Hello Moms,**

**Welcome to the first of many quarterly MPBP, Inc. newsletters with reports on, what we are continuing to do in our communities where our sons and daughters live work and play. Four years ago we made St Jude's one of our initiatives, and although Covid-19 made this year a little different, St Jude's hosted a Virtual Walk/Run event. We are continuing to raise funds for the children and babies with childhood cancers. If you have not done so, you still have time to donate until October 10, 2020 via their website: [stjude.org](http://stjude.org) under: MPBP, Inc. No amount is too small to give to this worthy cause.**

**Congratulations to the WNBA Seattle Storm vs Las Vegas Aces and NBA Miami Heat vs Los Angeles Lakers in their championship finals, GO TEAMS!!!The coronavirus is still here, please continue to follow the CDC guidelines and take every opportunity to check in on your friends and loved ones. This is a pivotal time in our Country's history so please please make sure that you Vote, and encourage everyone you know to do the same.**

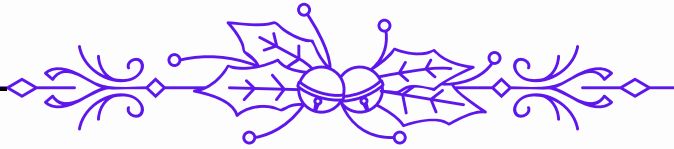
**Warm Regards,**

**Mona Lawton  
MPBP, Inc. President**



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## ***Brief Reflection!***

Written by Stacy Adams Wright

Good day from Stacy Adams Wright, the first Mother's of Professional Basketball Players (MPBP) historian. I have a love and passion for photography. I caught the attention of the president at the 2018 All-Star Weekend in Los Angeles. I was very adamant about capturing those memories, and history. Not only was I taking photos, I was introducing myself to the mothers & networking. I was later appointed and joined an awesome sisterhood, MPBP.

In 2019- 2020, as a member of the Board of Directors, I have created so many great bonds. The latest event was the MPBP Retreat, in Portland, Oregon. Our workshop was excellent. We received valuable information, to grow and continue to be a great organization. I am currently looking forward to fellowshiping with MPBP in Indianapolis, 2021. The events will be captured and posted on our website.

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**"The more you praise and celebrate your  
life the more in life there is to  
celebrate."**

**-Oprah Winfrey**

## ***FUN FACTS***

**Written by Stacy Adams Wright**

The NBA began life as the Basketball Association of America in 1946 and played under that moniker for 3 years before, in 1949, merging with the National Basketball League and changing names to the NBA. The BAA started out with 11 teams in 1946 but lost four of them before the start of the next season.

On April 24, 1996, women's basketball announced "We Got Next" as the NBA Board of Governors approved the concept of a Women's National Basketball Association (WNBA) to begin play in June 1997. Since then, the WNBA has been the home for the best women's basketball talent in the world.

## **QUESTIONS**

- When was MPBP founded?
- Who was MPBP's first President?
- How many regions does MPBP have?
- Who should be a member of MPBP & why?
- Who is invited to the National Conference?
- What region has the most members?
- Where will the 2021 All-Star MPBP Meet & Greet be held?

***"Courage is the most important of all the virtues because without courage, you can't practice any other virtue consistently."***

***— Maya Angelou***



**Great things in business are never done  
by one person. They're done by a team of  
people.**

**-Steve Jobs**

## Word Search

### WORD CORNER

BASKETBALL  
COACH  
CHEER  
SALARY  
CONTRACTS  
MOMS  
FAMILY  
NETWORK  
SONS  
GAMES  
DADS  
DAUGHTER  
SCORE  
WIN  
BENCH

S	D	M	K	E	J	U	E	F	R	Y	U	A	H	E
O	A	B	T	Q	D	H	W	B	E	N	C	H	R	G
N	U	Q	X	A	J	V	W	T	Q	X	F	O	H	B
S	G	S	D	X	Y	I	Z	G	V	C	C	O	C	A
A	H	S	B	G	P	V	J	M	N	S	I	M	A	W
G	T	T	E	L	T	W	F	E	O	H	Z	O	O	I
F	E	E	Z	M	E	S	T	P	O	M	K	L	C	N
A	R	A	D	J	A	W	C	D	S	A	S	Z	R	D
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P	Y	J	J	R	N	K	S	I	E	M	Z	T	E	J
B	A	S	K	E	T	B	A	L	L	D	N	B	Y	M
Y	L	I	M	A	F	G	W	N	R	A	U	W	Z	K
P	S	X	K	J	I	J	D	F	G	U	V	L	P	Z
G	T	A	A	N	I	W	B	R	T	Y	K	K	E	K
Q	N	X	N	V	W	L	M	C	O	C	Q	U	I	H

*Think like a Queen. A Queen is not afraid to fail. Failure is another steppings tone to greatness.*

*- Oprah Winfrey*

## *Word Scramble*

1. ketballabs
2. somm
3. mafily
4. wetnork
5. noss
6. megas
7. adds
8. dulesch
9. ghtdauser
10. ocach
11. corse
12. niw
13. chben
14. tasrter
15. frereee



Answers:  
8. Schedule  
9. Daughter  
10. Coach  
11. Score  
12. Win  
13. Bench  
14. Starter  
15. Referee  
1. Basketball  
2. Moms  
3. Family.  
4. Network  
5. Sons  
6. Games  
7. Dadse

*“When someone shows  
you who they are  
believe them; the first  
time.”*

*— Maya Angelou*



## *Did you know?*

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1.) I AM A SPORTS ENTHUSIAST, BUT MY FAVORITE SPORTS TO PARTICIPATE IN ARE BASKETBALL, VOLLEYBALL, OR BOXING, AND IN THAT ORDER, I LOVE, LOVE, LOVE, BIKE RIDING.

2.) I'VE DONE MOST THINGS ON MY BUCKET LIST... WHAT'S LEFT IS A VISIT TO SOUTH AFRICA, AND TO HOP AROUND EUROPE STARTING IN PARIS, FRANCE.

3.) IF I HAD ONE FOOD TO EAT THE REST OF MY LIFE, IT WOULD BE BREAKFAST FOODS MADE OF MEXICAN CUISINE.

*Much Love,*

MONA LAWTON



**“I’ve learned that people will forget what  
you said, people will forget what you  
did, but people will never forget how  
you made them feel.”**

**— Maya Angelou**

# Community Service Projects





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## *Community Service Projects*

### **Regional MPBP Food Donation List**

**Alameda County Community Food Bank**

**Three Square Food Bank**

**Los Angeles Regional Food Bank**

**Mid-Ohio Food Bank**

**The Greater Boston Food Bank**

**Greater Chicago Depository Food Bank**

**MIFA Inter Faith Association**

**Second Harvest Food Bank**

**Stand UP & Deliver**

**United Way Future Foundation**

**LETTUM EAT! Inc.**



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## *ANNOUNCEMENTS*

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OCTOBER  
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS

BREAST CANCER AWARENESS



NOVEMBER  
THANKSGIVING  
COMMUNITY SERVICE



DECEMBER  
CHRISTMAS  
COMMUNITY SERVICE

