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LOVE
ALWAYS



Holly and Brittany

Dear Expectant Parents(s),

Thanks for taking a look at our book and our life!

We're a fun-loving family who enjoy laughing together, playing on the beach and watching the newest Disney movie while munching on popcorn. We absolutely put our family above everything else.

Parker and Brody joined our family through adoption. They were placed with us at birth and have grown into wild, wonderful little dudes. Holly's little sister, Chelsea, joined her family through adoption 15 years ago which has also continued to reinforce how important it is for children to sustain a relationship with his or her birth parents.

We honor you and appreciate you today and always. Thanks again for taking the time to get to know us!

Love,
Holly and Brittany
(Parker & Brody)



OUR LOVE STORY

We met over the phone 17 years ago. Brittany was calling a friend to catch up and Holly answered the phone. The rest is history. Brittany was living in Ohio for college and Holly was in North Carolina for medical school. After two long years of airplanes and telephone dates, Brittany moved to North Carolina. We got married on a sunny day in April on the beach of Emerald Isle, North Carolina surrounded by 100 family and friends. It was so fun! Holly traveled to Klamath Falls for a job opportunity and we never looked back. We packed up our furniture, Holly's brother, our pets and drove across the country to begin an exciting new chapter. Six months later, the rest of Holly's immediate family moved to Klamath Falls. We can't escape them!

We started the process of expanding our family about 10 years ago. After countless attempts of Brittany trying to conceive through multiple rounds of IVF, we decided to switch directions. We've always known we wanted to be adoptive parents so we pursued that instead. Our lives are forever changed in the best way! Parker joined our family in October of 2017 and Brody in April 2019. Over the last year we became foster parents and had two babies placed with us. They both now live with their biological families. This experience strengthened our ties to birth families and reignited the idea of expanding our family. Life is messy and complicated and we embrace it all.

We believe strongly in the value of siblings and would love to expand our family again through adoption for the final time.



These are our beautiful fur balls! Zoey is the chubby black-and-white cat with sweet baby Parker. Preston is the dinosaur with his penguin sister, Rose. And last but not least, Tico, is the calico sweetheart in the cardboard box.





We are fortunate to live in beautiful, rural Southern Oregon.

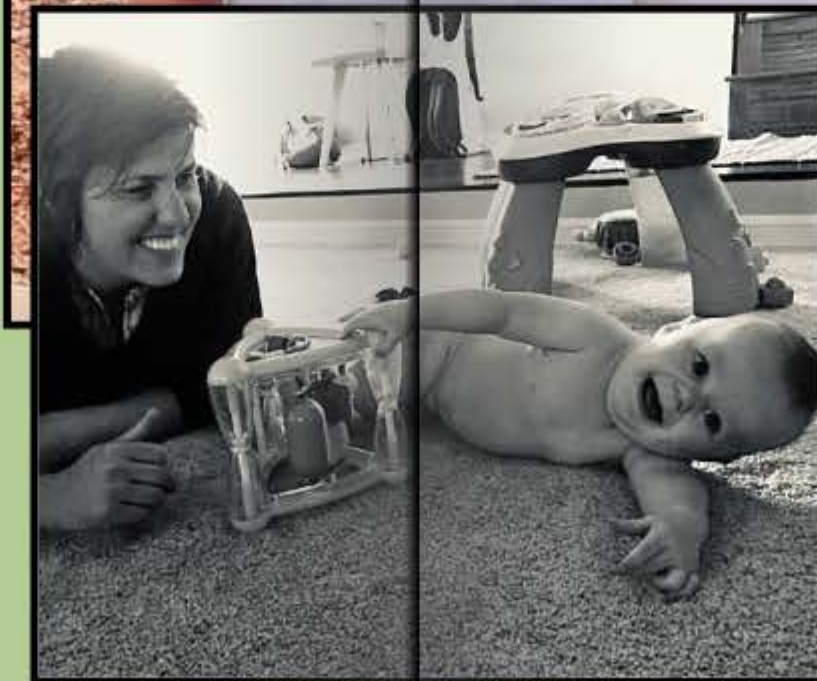
We've been claiming the title of Oregonian for 13 years now and loving every minute of it! Our four bedroom, three bathroom home is nestled in a neighborhood that sits at the base of rolling hills. We love watching the sun set over the lake.

The picture to the left is the view from the top of the hills in our neighborhood. There are two parks and an elementary school within blocks of our home. Holly's mom and step-dad live just down the street from us and Holly's brother and family is three miles away. Family dinners are a regular and laughter-filled occurrence! In addition to close family, we also have a large group of co-workers and friends who are thrilled that we're continuing to expand our family through adoption.

A LITTLE SOMETHING ABOUT ME

Holly is the most extraordinary person I've ever met. Her drive to succeed and help others is unlike anything I've ever seen. Her warmth and kindness is noticed by everyone around her. She was born and raised in a tiny North Carolina town. She's the oldest of three kids and is deeply committed to her family. She went to college and medical school at East Carolina University then moved to Oregon to complete her medical training.

She is now a Family Medicine and Hospice doctor in Klamath Falls. Holly's dad, Ted, is one of the biggest influences in her life. Sadly, he died in a car accident when Holly was 12 years old. Because of this loss at an early age, Holly understands the importance of living life to the fullest and keeping family as her first priority. Her mom lives right down the road and her brother lives just across town with his wife and three boys. She's happiest when she's sitting on a sunny beach and laughing over stories with family.



Fun facts:

- Graduated valedictorian of her high school class
- Loves seeing her patients in their homes
- Addicted to reading the news
- If she wasn't a physician, she'd be a travel agent because she loves to plan trips
- Swears she's meant to live on an island because of her love of seafood and fresh fruit
- Spending time with family is how she likes to spend her weekends
- Grossed out by stickers, gum and band-aids

Holly



Fun Facts:
She LOVES to read
She is the ultimate nurturer
Her favorite show is Friends
She loves to bake (her cookies are the BEST)
She still finds solace in her childhood blanket (whose name is B.T.)

Brittany



Brittany grew up the youngest of three children in a rural town in Pennsylvania. Her parents were married for 45 years before her dad died suddenly of a heart attack in 2021. She and her siblings are close and we visit with them about three to four times a year. Brittany was the only person to make Captain of her dance team in high school both her junior and senior year. She is certainly a fun and spirited person. In fact, she won a scholarship in college because she was described as "the spice of life."

When I met Brittany she was an undergraduate student at Kent State University. She was as beautiful then as she is now and continues to impress and inspire me daily. She serves our community as a small business owner of an independent bookstore! Brittany is a great communicator and very sensitive to the needs of others. She has always known how to calm those around her and makes the world a more peaceful place for our friends, family and myself.

We have been together for 17 years, married for 13 years, and married legally for 10 years. We have endured the struggle of starting a same-sex relationship in the deep south and the struggle of infertility. I watched Brittany go through several cycles of IUI as well as IVF as bravely as anyone could. We've also had babies leave our home suddenly as foster parents. We grieved long and hard together but we always persevere.

Brittany is the love of my life and the most selfless person I've ever met. She is an incredible mother and a wonderful person to help foster life-long ties. She loves without limits and I feel it every single day.

HALLOWEEN

Right: Cast of the movie Luca
Lower Right: Cast of the movie Moana
Lower Left: Superheroes and a witch, Parker insisted on being a witch :)



Left: Bee, flower and bee keeper!
Below: Baby crocodile and the crocodile hunters!



Fun fact: We always make our own costumes!



Pictures going clockwise:
Beachside smiles in Holden Beach, NC
Parker trying his luck at surf fishing
Brody showing his silly side
Holly and Parker give the beach two thumbs up
Family sunglasses photo in Maui



Our favorite vacations are spent on the beach!





FAMILY IS
forever

Top Left: B's mom and cousins
Top Right: Holly's mom and baby Parker
Bottom Left: Great-Grandma, AKA "Nana"
Bottom Right: B's mom again!



From left: Brittany's mom, sister, brother-in-law, brother, grandpa and dad. Brittany and her niece are in the front row. This picture is taken at her parent's home in Pennsylvania.



Upper left: camping smiles
Upper right: dress-up box
Lower left: Spring Break in Florida!
Lower right: annual NC beach trip





Right Page

Top picture: Holly and her Mom
Middle picture: Popcorn and a movie
Bottom picture: Brittany and her niece
Big Picture: At the hospital with baby Parker



Left page

Top picture: Skiing!
Right picture: Wedding day in Emerald Isle, North Carolina
Bottom picture: Ice skating and hot chocolate



ONE LAST THING,

As parents, we strive to:
Love our kids every minute of every day
Appreciate and respect them as an individual and encourage self-discovery
Happily be the annoying parents in the front row of the school play taking too many photos
Instill the importance of family
Foster a love for being outdoors and enjoying nature
And most importantly, have fun!



Thank you for taking the time to learn about us. We looking forward to meeting and learning about you. You're embarking on a tough and admirable journey and we sincerely hope we get to become a part of it.