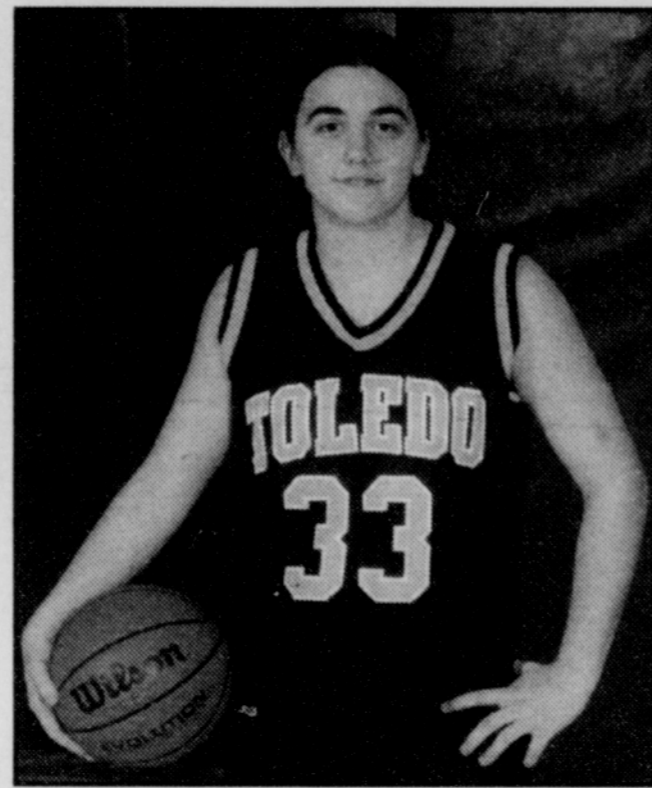


Bellamy Invited to Junior Nationals

After an outstanding performance in the USA Junior Nationals all-state high school basketball competition, Ashley D. Bellamy, daughter of Marci Rae Taylor and granddaughter of Ray R. Taylor, has been invited to participate in the prestigious USA Junior Nationals Championship Sports Festival on July 21-27 in Columbus, Ohio.

Ashley is a sophomore at Toledo High School in Toledo, Ore. Her family will hold several fund-raisers in the coming months to help Ashley raise the \$2,500 necessary to make the trip.

Based in Madison, Wis., the USA Junior Nationals provides one of the top amateur competitions in the U.S. It offers its program to all athletes who have a high interest in basketball and in developing their skills through state, national, and international competition. This is a unique opportunity for all athletes to improve their basketball talent through highly organized competition. Information about participating athletes is provided to educational institutions throughout the U.S. and Canada.



Ashley D. Bellamy

USA Junior Nationals offers one-day competitions at 44 sites throughout the country each spring. Athletes who demonstrate advanced skills, team leadership, competitive spirit, and good sportsmanship move to the next level, the USA Junior National Sports Festival.

Contact Ray at 541-444-9101 for information on helping Ashley make the trip.

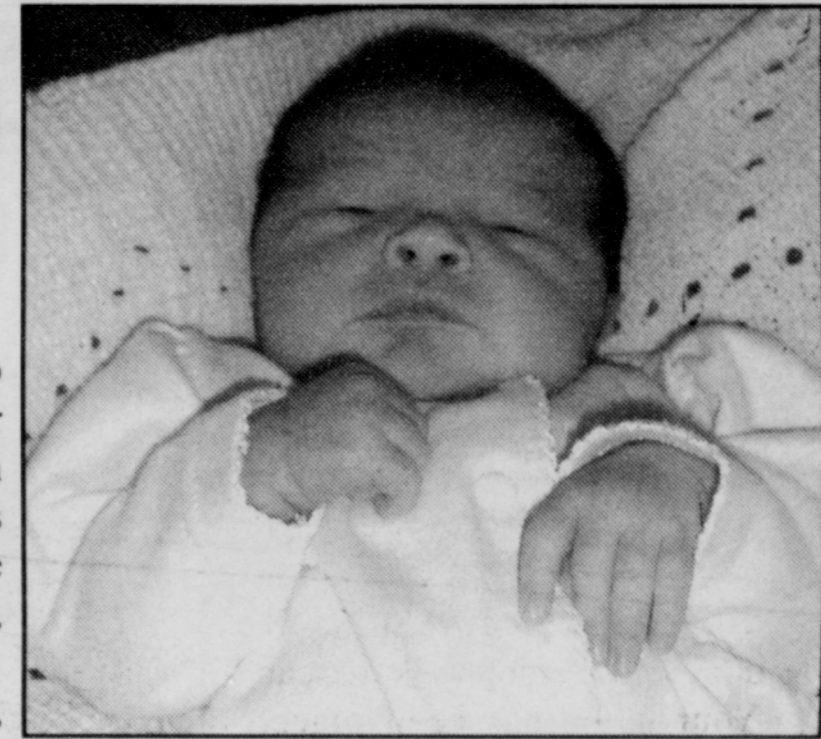
Madison Joins Metcalf Family

by Chuvonne Metcalf

Willie and I would like to announce the birth of our beautiful daughter, Madison DeVonn Marie Metcalf. She was born Feb. 12, 2003. She weighed 7 pounds, 2f ounces, and was 19" inches long.

Madison joins her big sister, Lexi, and big brother, Willard. She is the granddaughter of Mike and Roxanne Elkins of Siletz, Ore., Leon Metcalf of Siletz, and the late Janice Lane, and is the great-granddaughter of Connie Williams of Siletz, Martha Lockhart of Siletz, and Janet Elkins of Eugene, Ore.

We love you, M&Ms. You make our family complete.



Madison DeVonn Marie Metcalf

We proudly announce the birth of

Hattie Katherine Marie

March 9, 2003 9:14 a.m.

7 pounds, 4 ounces

19 3/4 inches

Brenda, Judy, Lane, and Samuel



Let Freedom Reign

by Eva Clayton

A vehicle sticker caught my eye while I was on a fast pace to reach my destination, my brain in overdrive.

I immediately started to hum *God Bless America*. With my patriotism strengthened, a vision of our red, white, and blue flag blowing in the wind rattled a few dusty inner chambers of my mind.

Faces past and present (family, friends, unknown) who boldly stood and are still standing, representing the ultimate sacrifice in securing our homeland and all that it represents.

God bless the homes where there is a vacancy, heal the broken heart, strengthen the soul.

We are a blessed nation of differences where dreams and goals can be achieved. The reward a little bigger piece of the pie. Share it.

To the many who have gone out and broke trail, we must not run ahead trying to reap the benefits selfishly, but honor the trail and those who were and are our trailbreakers.

God bless America and may she remain humble toward the needs of people. Let freedom reign.



Carlos Carmona Portillo and Felicia Ann Edenfield

Edenfield, Portillo Engaged

We are proud to announce the engagement of Felicia Ann Edenfield to Carlos Carmona Portillo.

Felicia is from Siletz, Ore. Her parents are Sharon Edenfield and William Dockstader of Siletz, and Perry

Edenfield of Montana. Carlos is from Mexico City, Chilango DS, in Mexico. His parents are Aurora Portillo Garcia and Beto Carmona of Mexico City.

Felicia and Carlos will be married on July 5, 2003.

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Give us a few details and we'll write the story. Or if something has been written about you, send us a copy and we'll get permission to print it in *Siletz News*. Send us photos and we'll be sure to get them back to you.