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The Newest Little Seldovians *by Charity Winters*



Seldovia welcomed three newcomers to its community in the past two months – and all were very young ladies! This little town has experienced a baby boom this summer. May 2nd brought the first of the newest little Seldovians. Simone Olivia was born at 7 lbs. 12 oz. to Lisa and Steve Stanish at 12:52 p.m. Simone is the first daughter to the little family of two boys; Sage, 5 and Zachary, 3. The Stanishs have lived in Seldovia for five years and plan on raising their family here.

Ellie Blayne Mickelson was born May 17th at 9 lbs. 4 oz. at 6:51 p.m. Her mom, Nikki Groff, has lived in Seldovia for 3 years, moving from Nebraska with her family. The father, Evan Mickelson, is a born and bred Seldovian.

The newest baby was also born to one of the newest families in town. Tim and Charity Winters were the proud parents of Abigail Grace on June 2nd, at 6 lbs. 7 ½ oz. born at 6:46 a.m. The young couple moved here last July and taught at Susan B. English this past school year; Tim, teaching Math and Science and Charity, Special Education. Tim will continue to teach this coming year while Charity has decided to become a stay-at-home mom.

The burst of new babies has thrilled this small town. The dwindling population has slowly begun to change the dynamics of Seldovia, threatening the survival of the school and a way of life that families have enjoyed for many years. The arrival of three beautiful new children offers a bit of hope that Seldovia will be able to withstand the waves of change.



Left to Right: Lisa Stanish, Nikki Groff and Charity Winters



Steve Stanish



Evan Mickelson



Tim Winters

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