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Reporting

(CBS 13) SACRAMENTO Artificial insemination gave Michelle Jorgenson the gift of life and the ability to tailor her child around a father she never met.

Michelle picked a sperm donor with blond hair, blue eyes, and an artsy, athletic, outgoing side 8 year-old Cheyenne clearly inherited.

Cheyenne spent the summer playing with kids bonded by blood. It's thanks to donor sibling registry.com. A Colorado mom started the site to connect kids with the brothers and sisters they never knew they had.

Michelle logged on and found the first of her daughter's siblings. Cheyenne met her brother Joshua this summer. Cheyenne and her sister Allison hit it off right away. Together, all the kids look so much alike people have asked if they're triplets. It turns out Cheyenne and Joshua share a genetic trait you can't see so easily - a birth defect called S.I.D. that forces them to walk on their toes and makes them sensitive to touch.

So far, Michelle tracked down six of Cheyenne's siblings. All together, four show signs of birth defects, furthering a bond between kids who are much more alike than anyone expected.

"I mean, I love my daughter just the way she is. I wouldn't change a thing," says Jorgenson.

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