

teen failure. "My proudest moments are coming a long way from not graduating high school - I had Whitney during my senior year and got married at 17 with an inadequate education."

After working as a cosmetologist for two years, she shocked her parents by signing up to do pre-med at university, which ten years later credited her with a PhD. "I have an autobiography by the way!" she cheekily plugs, "it's called, from GED to PhD!"

What are their guiltiest pleasures?

Bonnie: "Harry Potter! I love it so much, although it wouldn't be so embarrassing if I wasn't 43..."

Whitney: "I love getting tattoos and piercings!"



I can tell from Whitney's proud expression that she looks up to her mum as a role model. "It shouldn't matter what you look like, if you're smart, you're smart," she says, and Whitney knows this, as she was a state champion cheerleader when she was younger and also studied pre-medicine at university and is working on her medical esthetician licence as well as just becoming a business partner with an existing alternative fashion line.

With all this hard work and success you would think the pair would have no time to do anything else. Whitney tells me that she loves painting guitars and looking at her exposed arms and chest I can tell that she loves being creative, down to the 10 tattoos decorating her body. "I have recently helped my mother make clay monsters for her animations", she says. Bonnie pipes up, "yeah I do Claymation for fun!"

"It doesn't matter what you look like, you are capable of anything!"

Mountain Dew paid me \$10,000 for a Claymation that I put on YouTube - it was horrible!" she laughs. "But they put it in one of their commercials and it was very popular for a year."

The duo are also musically talented as well. Bonnie says that she has recorded seasonal dance songs as they have a recording studio in their house. "I also play bass guitar in our house band, which is called DrunkLora. My husband plays guitar, my son plays drums, and Whit sings too" The band is obviously named after their party lifestyles, I tell them that they live a very colourful life. "Yes, it gets loud at my house!" Bonnie laughs.

I thank them both for giving up some time from their hectic schedules, and tell them that we will be glued to our screens watching them for the rest of the series - but after stripping down their plastic exterior, I think we'll see them in a very different light.

Catch Bonnie and Whitney on Big Rich Texas on ITV2 every Wednesday at 10pm