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SMH Welcomes Baby New Year 2009

PLYMOUTH, N.H. --- Stephanie and Aaron Howard of Laconia are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter, McKenna Marie. The first baby born in 2009 at Speare Memorial Hospital, McKenna arrived at 8:15 a.m., on Friday, January 2, weighing seven pounds, 10 ounces and was 19 inches long. She joins older brother, Cole, age three.



Aaron and Stephanie Howard, along with son, Cole, present their newborn daughter, McKenna, the first baby born at Speare Memorial Hospital in 2009

The Howards say they had no idea they might have the first baby of the new year. “When we arrived at Speared we were very surprised to learn she would be the first baby born in 2009,” notes Stephanie. As well as having the honor of being Speare’s Memorial Hospital’s baby new year, McKenna is also carrying on her mother’s family tradition of daughters having Marie as a middle name.

Stephanie is a fifth grade teacher at Inter-Lakes Elementary School in Meredith. Dad, Aaron, is an English teacher at Dover High School. Cole has quickly taken to being the big brother.

Speare Memorial Hospital is a 24-hour, acute care, non-profit community hospital and health care provider serving Plymouth and the communities of central New Hampshire for more than a century.

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