



NORTHUMBERLAND HILLS HOSPITAL

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It's a boy! Northumberland Hills Hospital welcomes first baby of the year on Sunday, January 1st, 2012

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY, Sunday, January 1, 2012 – Jennifer Harloff and Jeff Leech of Bowmanville, Ontario, are the proud parents of the first baby born at the Northumberland Hills Hospital in 2012.

The baby boy was welcomed into the world at 5:48 AM on Sunday, January 1st weighing 9 pounds and 8 ounces. A brother for three-year-old Madeline, he has been named Theodore Freeman Harloff-Leech.

Special thanks were extended from the family to the entire team in NHH's Maternal/Child Care Unit, particularly Jo-elle Nelson, RN and midwives Terri Barlow and Debbie Doiron of New Life Midwives.

Baby Theodore will go home with a gift from the family of the first baby born in 2011 (an annual tradition at NHH) as well as a large basket of toys, books and mementos delivered from the Town of Cobourg in celebration of the Town's 175th birthday year in 2012.

The last fiscal year (April 2010 - March 2011) saw close to 600 babies born at NHH; a similar number is anticipated for 2011-12, thanks to the Hospital's strong linkages with local family physicians and midwifery groups.

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About Northumberland Hills Hospital – Located approximately 100 kilometres east of Toronto, Northumberland Hills Hospital (NHH) delivers a broad range of acute, post-acute, outpatient and diagnostic services. Acute services include emergency and intensive care, medical/surgical care, and obstetrical care. Post-acute specialty services (PASS) include restorative care, rehabilitation and palliative care. Mental health care, chemotherapy, dialysis and 16 other ambulatory care clinics are offered on an outpatient basis through partnerships with regional centres and nearby specialists. NHH offers a full range of diagnostic services, including magnetic resonance imaging (MRI), computed tomography (CT) and mammography. The hospital serves the catchment area of west Northumberland County. A mixed urban and rural population of approximately 60,000 residents, west Northumberland comprises the Town of Cobourg, the Municipality of Port Hope and the townships of Hamilton, Cramahe and Alnwick/Haldimand. NHH employs approximately 600 people and relies on the additional support provided by physicians

and volunteers. NHH is an active member of the Central East Local Health Integration Network. For more information, please visit www.nhh.ca.

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