

Miki, 7 pounds, 11 ounces, town's New Year's Baby



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NEW KID IN TOWN: New mom Ljiljana Petrovic gave birth to Mihajlo (Miki) at 10:30 a.m. on New Year's Day.

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After a four-day hospital stay, Milton's New Year's baby is finally right where he belongs — at home with his mom and grandparents.

A bit of jaundice prevented little Mihajlo (Miki) Petrovic — the first baby of 2009, born New Year's Day — from coming home as soon as his excited family would have liked. But after receiving a couple of days of phototherapy at Oakville-Trafalgar hospital, little Miki is happy and healthy.

"He eats like there's no tomorrow," said first-time mom, Ljiljana Petrovic.

A glowing Petrovic said she didn't expect to give birth to the first baby of the year, so it was a pleasant surprise.

"He was scheduled to be born from January 5 to 7, but I guess he didn't want to miss the party!" said Petrovic, grinning from ear to ear despite the occasional wince when she moved.

Milton's premier baby made his way into the world at 10:30 a.m. Thursday at Milton District Hospital, weighing seven pounds and

11 ounces. Although she didn't expect to go into labour as soon as she did, Petrovic decided to spend New Year's Eve quietly at home — just in case.

And it's a good thing. Her contractions started at about 8 p.m. last Wednesday, New Year's Eve. She went to the hospital right away, but was sent home until she was further along.

At about 3:30 a.m. New Year's Day, she returned and had a fairly quick delivery.

"Nothing could replace that feeling when they bring that little (bundle) and put him on your tummy — you forget everything else," Petrovic said.

Since she didn't know ahead of time whether she was having a boy or girl, that moment was particularly special, she said.

The news later on that Miki had jaundice — a yellowish discoloration of the skin — scared Petrovic, especially as a first-time mom who didn't know what

to expect. What followed were a few tiring days and two practically sleepless nights as Miki received light treatment to eliminate the bilirubin — a naturally occurring orange/red pigment — from his blood.

An exhausted — but happy — mom and baby arrived home Monday.

Petrovic, a food scientist who works in Mississauga, couldn't say enough about the staff at Milton District Hospital, particularly obstetrician Dr. Valentina Cvetic.

The hospital's obstetrics department has a good reputation, Petrovic said; she was told by colleagues of the high quality of care she'd receive there.

Petrovic moved with her parents from Yugoslavia 16 years ago as a young adult, and she said she looks forward to taking her son to her former country for a visit when he's old enough to appreciate it.

Milton is the ideal place to raise him, she added.

"It's a beautiful community. I feel safe here. It's not a big city so there's not much worry about safety. I love this environment," she said, adding it won't be too long before she — an avid skier and sports enthusiast — takes Miki to nearby Glen Eden.

Doting grandparents Mirjana and Ljubomir couldn't be happier with the family's late Christmas present and the living arrangements that have the four of them under the same roof.

Mirjana has busily been knitting little garments, including the tiny mint-green sweater vest and matching hat with pompom Miki sported on his first day home.

The attention of having the first grandbaby of the year has been exciting, Mirjana said. "I like what happened... because this is something special."

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Proposed QUEEN STREET Reconstruction

- DESIGN APPROVAL -

Re: Reconstruction, Storm and Sanitary Sewer Replacements on Queen Street from Hugh Street to Charles Street

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 11(2) of the Municipal Act, S.O. 2001, Chapter 25, as amended, that the Community Services Standing Committee of the Town of Milton at its meeting to be held in Town Hall, 43 Brown Street, will consider approving the design for the reconstruction of Queen Street from Hugh Street to Charles Street.

Date: Monday, January 12, 2009
Location: Town Hall Victoria Park, 43 Brown Street
Time: 7:30 p.m.

Plans detailing the project are available for viewing between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. at the Engineering Services Department at 555 Industrial Drive, Milton.

On January 12, 2009 beginning at 7:30 PM, the Community Services Standing Committee will review the design drawings for the proposed works and, not withstanding objections, approve the design for future construction. The Council report indicating the proposed design will be available January 9, 2009 either at the Clerks Department or on the Town of Milton's website. At this meeting, any person with unresolved concerns regarding the proposed work may present their concerns as a delegate. Persons wishing to be heard must notify the Clerk's Department in writing, no later than 10:00 a.m. Monday, January 12, 2009. Delegate application forms are available on the Town of Milton website at www.milton.ca.

Any inquiries should be directed to the following:

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