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First baby born at new tower

Oconee Medical Center gives parents and child VIP treatment to mark occasion



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Baby Jack Alexander Shadwick was the center of attention at Oconee Medical Center this week as the first baby born at the new patient tower. Holding Jack is mom, Jennifer, and dad, Al. Also pictured is baby Jack's aunt, Sara Barker, who is an OB nurse.

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SENECA — Just three days in the world and Jack Alexander Shadwick is already a celebrity.

Oconee Medical Center gave Jack and his parents, 30-year-old Jennifer and 36-year-old Al, VIP treatment this week for being the first baby born in the hospital's spanking new $42 million patient tower.

Dr. Phil Caron, of Oconee OB-GYN Associates, delivered the healthy baby boy Tuesday.

To celebrate the joyous occasion, OMC presented the Shadwicks with a gift basket that included a hand-crocheted layette for the baby and a necklace for mom. For added measure, the hospital is placing a paver with Jack's name and date of birth in the sidewalk in front of the patient tower.

It's not the first time that Al and Jennifer Shadwick hit the jackpot with a baby born at OMC. In 2002, the couple received a gift basket when their daughter, Isabella, was the first New Year's baby born.