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### **Phoenix Children's Hospital Welcomes State's first Sextuplets**

*Lake Havasu Couple have three boys and three girls*

PHOENIX, Ariz. (June 12, 2007) – Three boys and three girls were welcomed at Phoenix Children's Hospital 's McDowell Neonatal Intensive Care Unit earlier this week when Jenny and Bryan Masche from Lake Havasu became first-time parents of Arizona's only sextuplets. Today, the Masche's assigned names to their babies and held them for the first time.

Meet their new family:

Baby A	2 lbs., 1 oz.	Born at: 8:21 a.m.
Savannah Jane		
Baby B	2 lbs., 14 oz.	Born at: 8:22 a.m.
Bailey Elizabeth		
Baby C	3 lbs., 0 oz.	Born at: 8:23 a.m.
Grant William		
Baby D	2 lbs., 7 oz.	Born at: 8:24 a.m.
Cole Robert		
Baby E	2 lbs., 6 oz.	Born at: 8:25 a.m.
Molli Grace		
Baby F	2 lbs., 11 oz.	Born at: 8:26 a.m.
Blake Nickolas		

The babies were delivered at Banner Good Samaritan on Monday and are now being cared for by Phoenix Children's Hospital in the Neonatology Intensive Care Unit located inside Banner Good Samaritan. The connection between the two hospitals means mom can recover at Banner Good Sam, but remain only an elevator ride away from her babies.

"The babies are all doing excellent," said Jordon Leonard, Neonatologist at Phoenix Children's Hospital. "The delivery went well and the sextuplets came through in very good shape. All of them are breathing room air, only Savannah and Bailey are still receiving some breathing assistance."

Jenny, 32, delivered her first children after a very high-risk pregnancy that lasted 30 weeks and 4 days. She has been on bed rest since early in her pregnancy, and was admitted to Banner Good Samaritan on March 26. Jenny was asked to eat 5,000 calories a day in order to provide for the tremendous nutritional needs of her growing babies, and has received ongoing intravenous medications to stave off pre-term labor.

Bryan, 29, has been able to spend the final weeks in the hospital with his wife, but earlier in the pregnancy he logged many miles shuttling between his new pharmaceutical sales job in Lake Havasu and his pregnant wife in Phoenix. In an unbelievable generous show of support for the Masche babies, Grand Canyon University, in Phoenix, has offered each of the six a full scholarship to attend their institution in 2025! Other donations have included formula and diapers.

Individuals wishing to send congratulations, prayers, e-mails and letters of support can reach the family at [maschemiracles@yahoo.com](mailto:maschemiracles@yahoo.com). A benefit account has been set up for the family at Bank of America (statewide) under "Masche Sextuplet Fund."

Phoenix Children's Hospital and Banner Good Samaritan Hospital have developed an international reputation for their care and management of high-order multiples (triplets or more). The hospitals have taken care of about 75 sets of quadruplets and five sets of quintuplets to date. This is the hospital's second set of sextuplets, more than half of the quadruplets – have come to Phoenix from another part of the country. One quadruplet mom, a physician, traveled from Russia. This is thought to be the most sets of high-order multiples that have been cared for than at any other hospital in the U.S., and perhaps the world.