

Professors Roach and Trost Welcome New Baby to Tuscaloosa

“Cloudwaver,” as his big brother Nathaniel has been calling him for the last half year—or “Benjamin,” as our Big Brother, the Homeland Security Department, will call him since that’s what’s on his birth certificate—was born on Tuesday January 28th at 5:17 p.m. He weighs 10 pounds and 2 ounces. We had hoped for a water birth, this blessed event coming under the sign of Aquarius and all, but the hospital changed its mind and wouldn’t let us bring our birthing pool into the maternity ward. Oh well, as a friend pointed out to us: Aquarius is, ironically, an “air” sign. In harmony, then, with that irony (but hopefully not too much in harmony as to undercut it, for we embrace irony), “Cloudwaver” was “air born.”

(On second thought, irony may not be at stake here at all; maybe it’s a matter of Providence as foreordained in the nomination of a four-year old.)

Anyhow, we all thank you for your support, concern, and love. Mother and child are healthy and resting at home (at this very moment). Be seeing you!

Ted Trost
(on behalf of Catherine, Nathaniel, and Benjamin)