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## **Press Briefing Monday, January 12, 9-9:30 am**

### **Child Nursery Centers Begins \$500,000 Roof Preservation at Historic Day Nursery**

**Colorado Springs, Colorado – December 23, 2008...**A press briefing regarding the installation of a one-half-million-dollar slate roof on the Historic Day Nursery building, located at 104 E. Rio Grande St., will be held Mon., Jan. 12 from 9-9:30 a.m. in the dining hall. A panel representing this important historic preservation project will provide details and field questions, followed by a tour of the nationally-registered, fully functional building.

The Historic Day Nursery is owned and operated by the nonprofit Child Nursery Centers. The 18,000-square-foot roof project was awarded to Weathercraft Company of Colorado Springs. The company will use copper nails to install 32,000 pieces of hand-carved Vermont slate tiles to the roof restoring it to its original state as it was upon the building's completion in 1924. According to Weathercraft Owner John Fleming and Project Manager Matthew Kelly, the new roof should last well over 100 years because of the durability of slate.

An initial \$200,000 grant from the State Historical Fund launched Child Nursery Centers' "Raising the Roof for Future Generations" campaign that began in early 2007. Another \$291,000 was generously contributed by the El Pomar Foundation, High Valley Group, H. Chase Stone Trust, Boettcher Foundation for Early Learning Capital Fund administered by Qualistar Early Learning, Johnson Foundation, Giddings Foundation and individual donors. An additional \$33,000 is being sought to complete the fundraising effort.

Child Nursery Centers is dedicated to providing high quality, comprehensive early care and education for ALL children of the Pikes Peak region. It was established in 1897 by 14 visionary women to care for children of working mothers. Today it has the capacity to care for up to 700 children per day on a year-round basis, ages 6-weeks to 14-years-old, in five centers, the Home Network, and through several partnerships.

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