

Local Daycare Goes Ahead with Expansion Plans

An exciting time for children, their parents and staff at Shuswap Day Care in Salmon Arm. A \$5,000 grant from the Jennifer Phillips Memorial Fund and the General Fund combined with a number of other donations has allowed the Shuswap Day Care Society to go ahead with its plans for expansion. The daycare serves some 75 to 80 families.



Jennifer Phillips

Jennifer's parents, Bill and Alice Phillips, were on hand June 5th to view the expansion blueprints along with society president Kari Wilkinson, staff and many little "hard-hatted" children.

For the Phillips it was an afternoon of remembering when both of their children, Jennifer and Matt, attended this very facility in 1974/75 just after the current site opened.

The new facility will provide 40 additional spaces for children. The \$200,000+ price tag includes the property, modular building, fencing and utilities.

Ms. Wilkinson says the society is "very fortunate

and thankful for the support so that we can expand without a huge additional debt and can keep costs affordable for parents."

Daycare program director Karen Bubola, says the 24 by 50 ft. modular unit is being built in Kelowna and should be in place, next door to the present building, by fall 2008.

Other support included the Province of BC (\$105,000), Vancouver Foundation (\$25,000), two Salmon Arm Rotary clubs (Daybreak and Noon-hour - \$20,000), Salmar Community Association (\$2,500), BC Lotteries, Askew's Foods, Bill's Bottle Depot and fundraisers put on by parents.



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