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# Press Release

## **For immediate release**

Women of Achievement Awards are recognized nationally. They increase awareness and appreciation of the diverse contributions of women. YWCA Northern Rhode Island recently announced Mary Ann Shallcross Smith as a **Women of Achievement Award Winner for 2008**. Mary Ann was selected in the category of "NURTURING": "She assists families with affordable child care". Mary Ann Shallcross Smith is President/CEO of the Dr. Day Care Family. Her business began as a home day care and has grown into seventeen early learning centers and five school age before and after school programs. Mary Ann Shallcross Smith is an advocate and communicator on behalf of child care in Rhode Island". A luncheon will be held on Wednesday September 17, 2008 at Kirkbrae Country Club to honor Mary Ann and other award recipients.