

HIGH TECH AT SOAR PARK



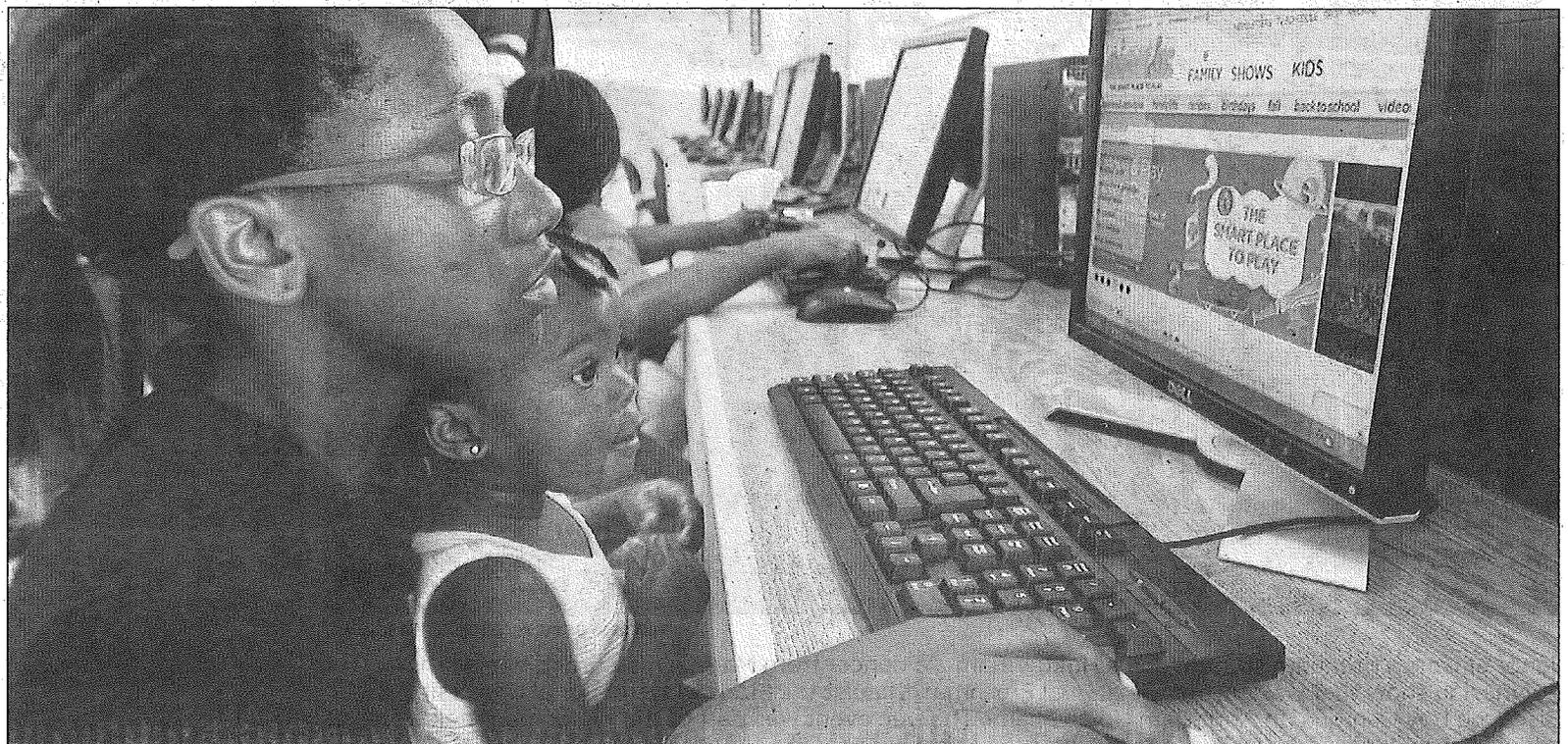
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Miami-Dade County Commissioner Jean Monestime speaks during the grand opening of the Little Haiti Optimist Club Community Tech and Youth Center at Soar Park in West Little River on Friday. The Optimist club remodeled the existing park building, creating two lounges stocked with about 40 computers as well as printers, copiers, and a bulletin board. Some of the programs planned for the center will include computer training, job search and resume-writing.

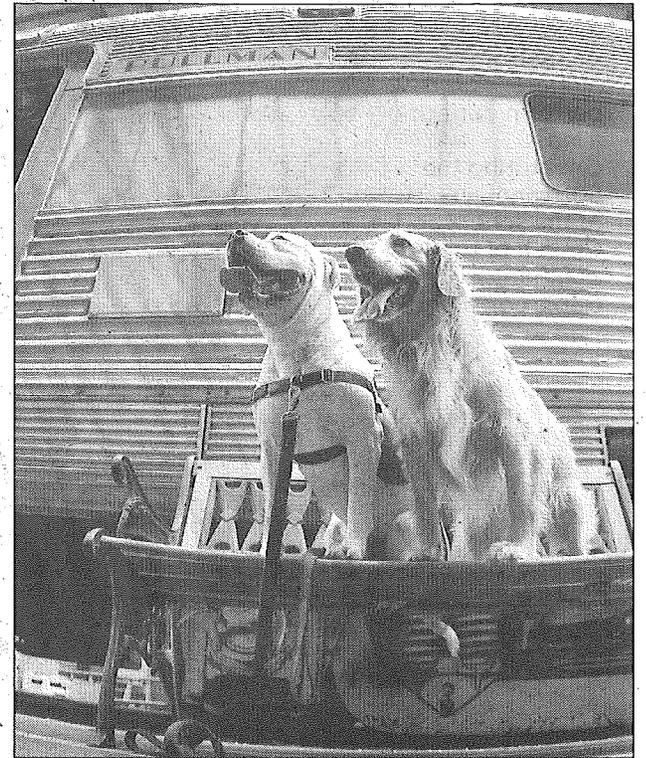


Marie Louissaint, president of the Little Haiti Optimist Club, speaks during the grand opening.

West Little River residents Blair Saintil, 12, and Robin Flermont, 1, access the internet at the new Little Haiti Optimist Club Community Tech and Youth Center at Soar Park in West Little River.



PETS AND TRAINS



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Volunteer Adrianna Torrealba holds onto a puppy up for adoption from Miami-Dade Animal Services as part of the Mega-Pet-Adoption event at the Goldcoast Railroad Museum in West Kendall during the First Free Saturday event this past weekend.

From left, Zeus, an American bulldog, and Sasha, a golden retriever, pose for a picture among the trains on display at the Goldcoast Railroad Museum.



Diamani Gibson, volunteer, holds onto one of the dogs up for adoption from the Humane Society of Greater Miami.



Lucy, a terrier mix, waits for an owner at the Goldcoast Railroad Museum in West Kendall.