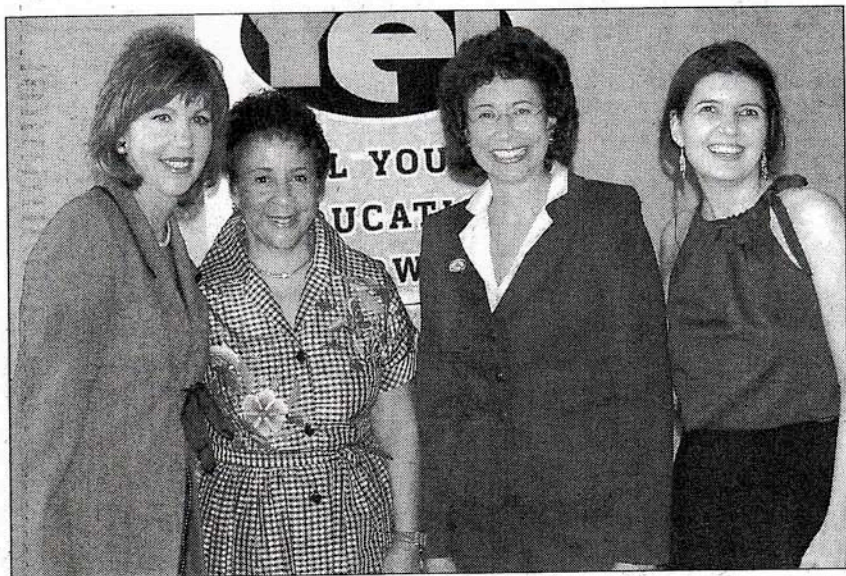
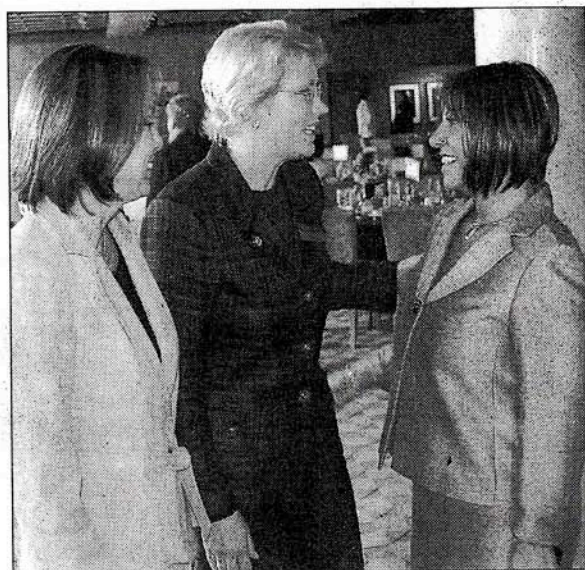


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From left, Gayle Sierens, Sheila C. Johnson, Pam Iorio and event chairwoman Shawna Vercher



From left, Liz Sismilich, Julie Gillespie and Tammy Levent

Successful Women Attend Inaugural Luncheon

The Society of Successful Women, an online networking service, sponsored the First NFL Youth Education Town Luncheon on Jan. 29 at Maestro's restaurant at the Tampa Bay Performing Arts Center. The event raised \$20,000 for the NFL Youth Education Town initiative, which builds educational and recreational centers for youth in at-risk neighborhoods in Super Bowl host cities. The luncheon featured an interview with BET Television co-founder **Sheila C. Johnson**. The 300 guests also were treated to a discussion on success and balance with moderator **Gayle Sierens**, co-anchor of News Channel 8, and panelists **Miray Holmes**, **Tammy Levent**, **Octavia McDougle** and **Veronica Sullivan**. Fundraising included a silent and live auction and a drawing for NFL and Super Bowl items.



Miray Holmes, left, and Tina James of the Super Bowl host committee