

YOUNG FREE LANCE MODELERS ...Debra Johnson, Dennis Robinson, Onna Hill, Theresa Pagan

Johnson Is "Talk Of Town" modeling as a summertime hobby away from college.

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Deborah Johnson, a '77 graduate of West Charlotte High School who attended the Troyanne Ross School of Modeling for six months, may just be well on her way to a successful

career in fashion. This 5' 8¹/₂" 128 pounder who resides at 1641 Oaklawn Avenue with her parent Mrs. C.H. Beckwith seems to be the talk of the town along with several other young adults who do free lance modeling throughout the Charlotte community.

The group recently modeled during the Cousin's family reunion and received rave from the Cousin's, who felt that Deborah, who coorinated their show, and her colleagues were entitled to some publici-

ty. Well Deborah agreed, however saying that the group had no name, will label them-selves "Deborah's Fashion Group" for the time being. However success may alter such a situation.

Deborah said that she and seven friends do volunteer work for just about anyone who asks them to model. She doesn't seem to mind that no pay is involved for she said, "It is good practice," adding, "We are good friends who don't like to sit around all the

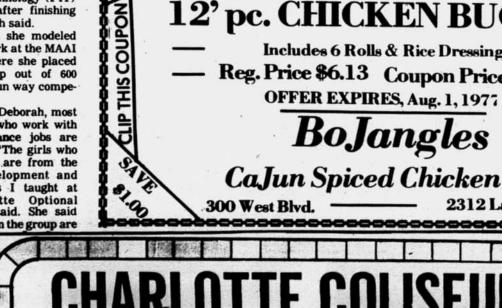
Deborah won't have to wor-ry about sitting around much

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longer for she is planning to further her studies in fashion at Clark College in the fall. She looks forward to a major in fashion merchandising and home economics there. "I also plan to attend the Fashion Institute of Technology (FIT) in New York after finishing Clark," Deborah said. Deborah said she modeled

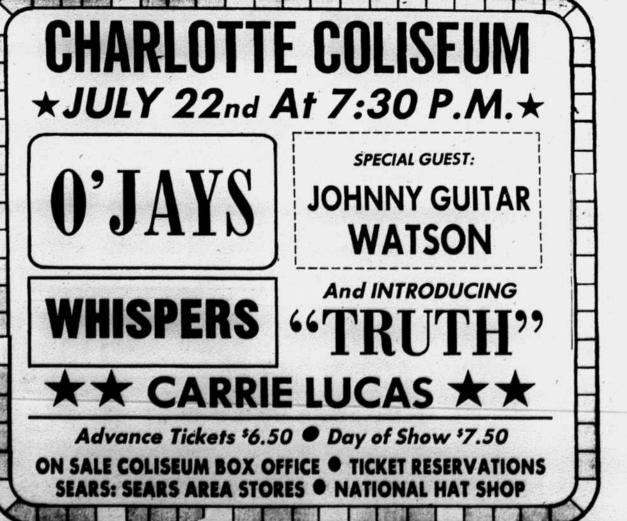
once in New York at the MAAI Convention where she placed first runner up out of 600 models in the run way competition.

According to Deborah, most of the models who work with her on free lance jobs are professionals. "The girls who work with me are from the personal development and modeling class I taught at West Charlotte Optional School," she said. She said that the males in the group are

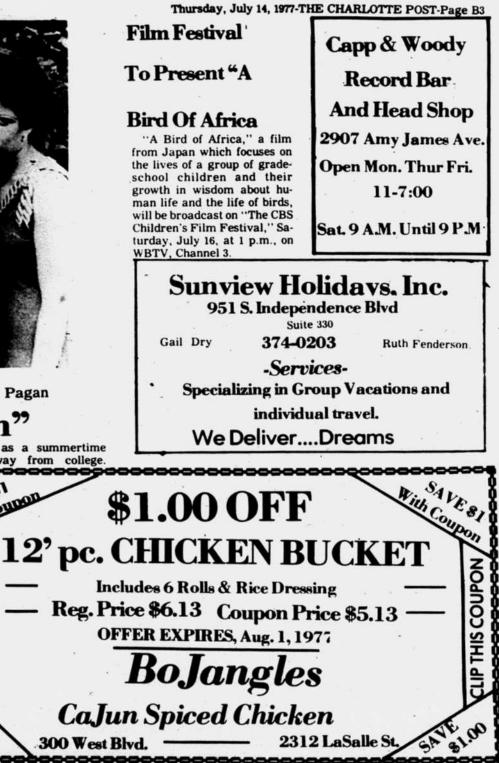


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