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Joyce Van Patten

To Star As

Ex-Taxi Dancer

Joyce Van Patten stars as Lyla Plant, an ex-taxi dancer married to Augie Plant (Norman Alden), one of her best ex-customers, and now settled in a run-down house in a borderline neighborhood of a Southern California suburb, in "The Plant Family," half-hour comedy, Saturday, September 2 at 8:30 p.m. on WBTV, Channel 3.

Sharing Augie and Lyla's home are Geneva (Jo Marie Payton), one of Lyla's taxi-dancing pals, and her teen-age son, Homer Jay (DeWayne Jessie) and Lyla's unmarried brother, Leo (Jesse White).

Ava (Kay Heberle), a married teen-age daughter of Augie and Lyla's, keeps moving in and out of the house, depending on the status of her marriage at the time.

Augie's long-time dream is to own a drive-thru wax museum, so he spends every minute of his spare time in his basement workshop preparing plaster statues of the world's great and famous. Leo is a would-be agent whose genius is for discovering young girls long on good looks and short on talent. All of which leads to unusual situations for the Plant family.

CTS Two-Way

Radio System

Begins Operation

A new two-way radio system is now in operation for the Charlotte Transit System (CTS). The radios are designed to maximize citizens' and drivers' safety and to insure timely and efficient operation of CTS buses.

The radios will be used by drivers to report such things as dangerous street and traffic conditions, accidents, delays or detours, medical or other emergencies and passenger and mechanical problems along the routes. Ninety-two bus radios, eight supervisor car radios and four walkie talkies were purchased for approximately \$190,000.

Eighty percent of the cost was paid with federal grant money; the remaining 20 percent was shared equally by state and local government.



PERSONABLE JACKIE MOORE

...Kicks off new singing career

An All New Jackie Moore

Is Back On The Music Scene

By Cynthia Bell
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An all new Jackie Moore is back on the music scene with a new perspective on life. "Personally" is Jackie's debut release for Columbia Records and precedes the album to be released later this year. This throbbing single reflects her attitude about her music. Jackie says, "When the song means something to me, it'll mean something to you."

During the break in her career, Jackie was very busy. She has lost 110 pounds exercising, jogging, and of course cutting back on her consumption. She looks great. Who would have believed that she was ever overweight in her life.

This well-rounded Pisces kicked off her singing career with the release of her gold seller, "Precious, Precious" in 1971. It was co-written by Jackie with her cousin, Dave Crawford who is currently a top song writer and record producer. This inaugurated her arrival with that distinctive tantalizing sound of hers. From there it was hit after hit, "Sweet Charlie Babe," "Both Ends Against The Middle," "Sometimes It's Got

to Rain In Your Love Life," "Time," "It Ain't Who You Know," and "Darling Baby."

Quick to recognize an aspiring new talent, Kayette Records chose her to be their debut artist for their label. There she worked closely with Kayette's president, Brad Shapiro, strengthening her developing talent in needed areas.

Her Kayette debut was made with the release of the "Make Me Feel Like A Woman" album which rode high on the national Rhythm and Blues, Pop, and Disco charts. "Top Of The Hill," "Heart Be Still," "Old Time's Sake," "Putting It Down To The Way I Feel About You," "Tired Of Hiding," "Hurt Inside Out," "Sing That Funky Music," "Forever Is Forever," and "The Bridge That Lies Between Us," are other songs from the album. These tunes were written by the nation's top song writers like Valerie Simpson, Latimore, Phillip Mitchell, Brad Shapiro, William Bell, Clarence Reid, Red Lane, Phil Hunt, Paul Michael, Regina Bennett, and, of course, Jackie Moore.

Since the early age of 14,

Jackie realized that singing was the most important thing in her life. Back in her hometown of Jacksonville, Florida, Jackie and the Jackets (her group) could be heard singing in the hallways and on special programs at their school.

A little skeptical about venturing into the music industry, Jackie turned down a music scholarship. Instead she pursued a career in medicine. She attended Jacksonville's Edward Water College for two years and graduated in the top five of her class from Philadelphia's Albert Einstein Medical School as a fully qualified Inhalation Therapist. At this point, she knew that her medical career was not for her.

Since then, Jackie has been into bigger and better things. She has been on shows with fine acts like Marvin Gaye, Gladys Knight and the Pips, the O'Jays, Harold Melvin and the Blue Notes, the Staple Singers, James Brown, Wilson Pickett, and the Stylistics.

In 1976, the mayor of Jacksonville honored her with the key to the city, Jacksonville's Special Music Award, and proclaimed a Jackie Moore Day.

The Emotions

Will Brighten

Soul Train Stage

The Emotions and Randy Jackson, youngest member of The Jacksons, brighten Soul Train's stage this weekend.

The harmonizing Hutchinsons, better known as "The Emotions," case their talents with renditions of "Smile," "Time Is Passing," and "Best Of My Love," which made it to the top of the charts.

Some of their hit singles are "Don't Ask My Neighbor," "Flowers," and "Don't Wanna Lose Your Love." In 1977 they were voted "best group" by the Chicago Chapter of the National Association of Television and Artists.

Jackie Moore appears as a guest on "How Can I Be Sure" on August 17, he has been singing with his famous group, known as "The Jackie Moore Group," in his business.

Sheryl Lee, Miss U.S. Teen, makes a cameo appearance on the show.

WRET-TV To

Air Miss Teen

-Ager Pageant

One of America's sprightliest beauty pageants -- the one that chooses America's No. 1 Teenager -- will be broadcast on TV-36 Sunday, September 10, from 10:30 a.m. to noon.

Featuring young beauties who have already captured the title in each of the 50 states and the District of Columbia, the contest offers the contestants -- girls between the ages of 13 and 18 -- rewards for scholarship, leadership and personality including cash scholarships from \$1000 to \$4500, a full tuition modeling course scholarship from Bar-bizon International, a personal appearance contract and many other merchandise and services awards, such as a car, travel, etc.

The current Miss National Teenager will turn over her crown to the winner on TV, under the able hosting of TV and movie star, Robert Conrad who visited Charlotte recently to promote the new Fall season on TV-36.

The new winner will serve as a teenage "Ambassador" to the American people and to other countries.