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PATRICIA WALKER
—Beauty of the Week—

Modeling Is More Than Hobby For Patricia Walker

By Teresa Simmons
Post Managing Editor
Modeling is one of those glamorous professions many would like to try their talents in. For Patricia Walker, a senior at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte, modeling has become more than a hobby.

As a child, our beauty modeled in her home town of Asheville, but never gave a serious thought to professional modeling until this big break came. "I would love to travel and meet different people and find out about the different aspects of their lives. But if I do make it big in professional modeling, I won't be upset. My degree in Child and Family Development is mainly for later on in my life," she explained.

Ms. Walker is indeed a lady with charisma and the strength to tackle many obstacles and still come out on top. She is also working at Sears to supplement her

four-year scholarship to UNCC. The Sears Company thought so highly of her work that she was presented the "Courtesy Award" a month ago.

Ms. Walker has traveled half the world on an International Tour sponsored by Athletes in Action (AIA). As one of a few athletes chosen she had to raise funds for her trip. The system was similar to the present competition she is about to embark upon.

"I will need sponsors-companies or people for this modeling competition," Ms. Walker mentioned. "They will be featured in modeling on page 16A

MBA Program Approved For Fayetteville State

Boone, N.C. - A Master of Business Administration (MBA) program for Fayetteville State University (FSU) was approved here today in a meeting of the University of North Carolina (UNC) Board of Governors. FSU is one of 16 public senior constituent institutions in the UNC system.

In reacting to the approval, Chancellor Charles "A" Lyons said, "We are elated with the approval of this program. It is probably one of the most important programs we have ever had approved."

Scheduled to begin this fall, the program is designed for persons who want to pursue a master's degree in business administration on a part-time basis. It will offer professional education to qualified students who seek careers in management. The program will emphasize the analysis of business and organizational problems, policy information, and the development of skills required in organizational management.

"This program will have significant impact on business and economic devel-

opment in our service area by providing trained manpower for the people of eastern North Carolina," said Lyons.

The Candidates

By Karen Parker
Post Staff Writer
In just 12 days citizens of four states will be flocking to the polls for one of the most popular primaries to be held in a long time.

Those states are North Carolina, Indiana, Maryland, and Ohio. More eyes will probably be on the Tarheel state than on any of the others. It's not just to see how the Presidential nomination will turn out, but the gubernatorial, U.S. Senate and House as well.

Who will take over the powerful seat which Jim Martin held in Congress for 12 years? The Democrats have a tough decision to make. All three candidates - Susan Green, D. G. Martin and Ben Tison - have strong support throughout the 9th District area. There seems to be less heat stirring among those candidates though

JCSU Hosts Fine Arts Festival

The Johnson C. Smith University Union Program Board will host its Annual Fine Arts Festival from Monday, April 30, to Saturday, May 5. Events featured will be a Pretty Legs Contest, Jazz Under the Stars, several theatrical presentations and a Saturday carnival that will include art and ceramic exhibits.

"We hope the public will come out and join us," invited program director Joyce Crisp. "It's always a fun festival and a pleasant way to visit J.C. Smith."

There is no shortage of interest in the Pretty Legs contest that kicks off the week at 7 p.m. Monday in the Union's Grimes Lounge. Faculty and students will vie for top honors in several categories in the always popular competition. Defending staff champion Joe Crosby might prove tough to unseat.

On Wednesday, May 2, the best entries in the Communication Arts' Playwriting contest will undergo a partial reading by dramatic art students beginning at 7 p.m. at the Student Union Plaza. A \$25 award for best effort will be announced. Jazz Under the Stars will follow at 7:30 p.m. featuring the Cannonball Express, Donald McClure and the Michael Riley Jazz Quartet.

On Friday, the Pin Points acting troupe of Washington, D.C., will be out to use a blend of drama and comedy in dispelling the

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Ninth District Congressional Race



Ben Tison
.....Veteran politician
than among the Republican opponents Alex McMillan and Carl "Buddy" Horn.

Below is a capsule examination of the candidates running for Congress.
NINTH DISTRICT CONGRESS
Susan Green: Many



Susan Green
.....Has confidence
people will back the belief that this candidate is one of the reasons Congressman Jim Martin de-

ecided to run for governor. A July 1983 market research revealed Green could defeat Martin.
Having confidence in the research, and especially in



D. G. Martin
.....Addresses issues
herself, Green was the first to announce for the congressional 9th District last November. Her support in the state is overwhelming, but nationally she's received tremendous attention, also. To name a few endorsers, there's the North Carolina Association of Educators, AFL-CIO, North Carolina Peace,

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Blacks Identity Can Be Key To Church's Growth



EBENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH
...Revival Begins May 7

Rev. Marvin Yancey Will Lead Ebenezer's Revival

By Teresa Simmons
Post Staff Writer
Rev. Marvin J. Yancey will lead the sixth Annual Revival at Ebenezer Baptist Church, 733 East Trade St., beginning Monday, May 7, and ending Friday, May 11. Each night services will begin at 7.

Free workshops have also been planned for Tuesday through Thursday beginning at 5:30 p.m. and ending at 8:30 p.m. Rev. Yancey is an accomplished musician who has produced several popular religious songs including "Sign Me Up." The songwriter will conduct the evening workshops for musicians, choir members and interested individuals.

"We will stress music theory, proper church music," Rev. Sutton began, "parts, choir disci-

pline and how to maintain peaceful Christian attitude in a mass choir. We really would like to bridge the gap in Northern and Southern music."

Rev. Yancey pastors Greater Fountain of Life Baptist Church in Chicago, IL. The choir of the church will sing Friday night.

Rev. Yancey and Rev. Sutton met years ago during a revival in Chicago, IL. "I prayed about who would lead the revival this year," Rev. Sutton began. "And he came to mind."

Rev. Yancey is a talented singer, gospel preacher and accomplished musician. "God has bestowed many talents upon him," Rev. Sutton announced.

The revival theme is one

of an old fashioned revival. "Where souls can be saved. Weak Christians can be strengthened and backsliders can be brought back to the fold," Rev. Sutton continued.

For 26 years Ebenezer has not had a revival, according to Rev. Sutton. Rev. Sutton began pastoring the church in 1976 and in 1978 helped to plan the church's first revival in years.

"A church must have an evangelistic passion," Rev. Sutton explained. "It is necessary, the Word says, to witness what you have experienced whether it be in song, praying, preaching or in testimony. A growing church can help to mold the community and establish real worship."

The doors will be open May 7-11.

One-Man Exhibit

Take a fresh look at the construction underway on Tryon Street when photographer John Hilarides opens his new one-man exhibit, "Constructions," at Spirit Square May 4.

John, visiting artist at Central Piedmont Community College, also will introduce you to a world he constructed by combining photographic images.

"When I began documenting the construction on Tryon Street, I became intrigued by the rich colors - the clay, the ribbons, the barricades," John said. "The individual images from this series are, in one sense, optical records of a landscape in transition."

John is a graduate of Ohio University and has been CPCC's artist-in-residence almost two years.

The exhibit will open with a reception from 6-8 p.m. at the Seventh Street Gallery at Spirit Square and will close May 26. The gallery is open Monday through Saturday.

Blacks Affirming Own Roots

Special To The Post
Black identity can be the key to a black church's growth, according to pastors of three of the fastest-growing congregations in the 1.7 million member United Church of Christ.

A predominantly white denomination, the United Church has shown overall membership declines during the past decade, slipping from 1.9 million in 1973. But thanks to striking gains in some congregations, its black membership has increased from 43,400 in 1973 to 53,450 in 1981.

The reason is black theology, community service activities and black music augmented by use of the media for evangelism, say the ministers of Trinity United Church of Christ, Chicago; Shaker Heights Community United Church of Christ, OH; and Peoples Congregational Church in Washington, D.C.

"New members at Trinity are taught, 'We are unashamedly black and unapologetically Christian,'" pastor Jeremiah Wright points out.

"As a result of Martin Luther King, Jr.'s death, blacks started affirming their own roots and heritage," he explains. "Our members asked themselves, 'Are we going to be a black church in the black community or a white church in black face?'"

"They opted to discard the upper-middle-class 'typical congregational parish' that specializes in European liturgical forms, European music and an occasional 'Negro spiritual,'" he reports. "Instead, they adopted a worship style that speaks di-

rectly to the black community, incorporating black preaching and black music."

Trinity has over 3,600 active members today; it had 87 in 1972. The church was recognized as the United Church's fastest-growing congregation at the denomination's 1983 General Synod.

Membership at Shaker Heights Community Church has jumped from six people in 1980 to 624 currently under the leadership of Charles Reese, who also rejects denomination by mainstream theology.

"Black churches have had to struggle between white European theology and theology true to themselves," he remarks.

"Most of us have opted for white European theology." Some black churches, however, "have done a tremendous job in adjusting theology," he points out.



Religion is not to save us from trouble, but to save us from defeat.