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For Dee Fraser, February 14 was more than just Valentine's Day. At the Queen of Hearts pageant held that night, she was crowned Miss Junior.

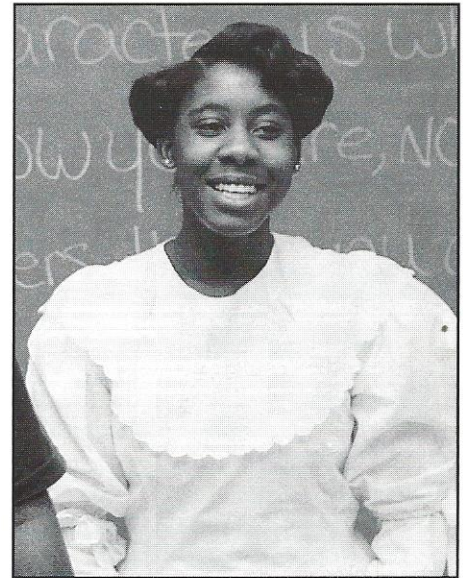
Dee was a flag girl in the Band of Blue for the past three years. She was very active in her church, W.O.R.D. Ministries of Walterboro. There she served as assistant youth minister which involved helping to conduct children's church by teaching different aspects of the Bible to ages three through seven.

Dee explained that getting the courage to sign up for the pageant was difficult. "I had to psyche myself up to sign up at all. I'm pretty shy and not really into public things," she said.

Probably the most difficult part of the pageant was the question and answer portion. The coordinators gave every girl a list of possible questions. Dee and the other girls would call out questions to one another to calm their nerves a little.

"My question dealt with the war on drugs. I feel that emphasis should be placed on controlling those who grow and import the drugs," she said.

— Wendy J. Garrett



Dee patiently awaits the decision of the judges for Miss Junior. She was also a flag girl in the Band of Blue.

During Mrs. Blocker's English IV CP Class, Dee takes part in her group's original presentation. Everyone in Mrs. Blocker's senior English classes had to take part in the dramatization of a literary work.