

SPEC SPEAK-IN

MEMO FROM GLORIA STAVERS

You may wonder what happens when you write and address a letter to me in care of *SPEC*. This memo is to assure you that I *personally* receive and read each and every letter you write to me. There isn't enough space in *SPEC* for me to publish every letter you send me—and I'm sure you understand that I just don't have the time to *personally* answer each letter I receive—but I do want you to know that I *personally* read (and I appreciate) all letters addressed to me. So please keep writing to me—and look for your letter and my answer in *SPEC Speak-In* in each issue of *SPEC*!

Address all of your letters to: Miss Gloria Stavers, c/o *SPEC* Magazine, Business Office, 745 Fifth Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10022.

LF IS BEAUTIFUL!

Dear Miss Stavers,
Loving Fashions is beautiful! I read every issue from cover to cover as soon as I get it! It's just *wonderful*!!

Beth Mariposa

Tucson, Ariz.

• *Dear Beth,*

That it is! And all other SPEC-ers can discover just how beautiful-wonderful Loving Fashions is by flipping to Page 71 and finding out how, when and where to get a copy!!

WHO SINGS WHAT ON PF RECORDS?

Dear Miss Stavers,
I am very confused about who sings what on the *Partridge Family* singles and long-playing records. Could you please straighten me out?

Darlene Hills

Murfresboro, Tenn.

• *Dear Darlene,*

DAVID CASSIDY and SHIRLEY JONES are the only two members of The Partridge Family who sing on the Partridge Family Bell Records' singles and LPs. None of the Partridge Family play any instruments. The truth is that they simply are

David & PF with Larry & Wes

not that musical—but it's O.K., cos their main careers are acting. However, both David and Shirley have musical backgrounds and experience, and when LARRY UTALL (at left in the picture of the PF gang), President of Bell Records, decided to cut the PF records, he asked Shirley and David to sing on them. Record producer WES FARRELL (shown in white slacks) was "knocked out" when he heard David sing and insisted that he sing lead on all the PF records! I hope this straightens it out once and for all.

GREEN WITH ENVY

Dear Miss Stavers,

I've just got to get your brand new special *two-in-one-book* called *Secret World of Boys and Diary & Date Book*! My girl friend showed me a copy of it today and I'm green with envy—I want a copy for myself!!

Tricia Wentworth

Chicago, Ill.

• *Dear Tricia,*

Help is on the way—so get back to your natural complexion! You—and all other SPEC-ers—can easily get a copy of Secret World Of Boys and Diary & Date Book just by turning to Page 21 and following instructions!

MORE ABOUT LF

Dear Miss Stavers,

Is *16's* new magazine called *Loving Fashions* on sale on newsstands? I've heard so much about it, I'm dying to get a copy.

Mary Watkins

Baltimore, Md.

• *Dear Mary,*

Yes, indeed, Loving Fashions is on sale on newsstands. Turn to Page 71 and find out how you—and all other SPEC-ers—can get a copy.

Osmonds on TV

BARRY'S HAIR

Dear Miss Stavers,

When I saw the COWSILLS on *American Bandstand*, I was amazed at the way Barry's hair looked! It was cut so *short* in front! I am not sure whether I like it or not. Could you help me decide?

Becky Roberts

Colorado Springs, Colo.

• *Dear Becky,*

BARRY decided that he didn't like his hair short, so he is letting it grow in. Here's a picture of Barry as he looks today. You can write to him and the rest of the Cowsills at: Box 69520, Los Angeles, California 90060.

CALLING ALL PF LUVVERS!

Dear Miss Stavers,

I'm crazy about your new *David & The Partridge Family Private Picture Book*! The *PF* gang are my favorite favs—and now I have them all together in one groovy book!

Teresa Michaels

Canton, Ohio

• *Dear Teresa,*

Thanks for your sweet note! If all other SPEC-ers who love love love the PF gang can take a hint—they'll turn to Page 47 and get a copy of this fab book for themselves!

FABULOUS SKY!

Dear 16-ers,

We just had to write and thank *all* of you in *SPEC* for all of your wonderful letters, cards, and gifts. We plan to answer each letter ourselves, so keep writing and we'll keep singing and writing!

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HATED HERSELF

Dear Miss Stavers,

I used to hate myself. I hated my figure.

Barry Cowsill

