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POOR DAVID CASSIDY! Just after he recovered from an emergency gall bladder operation, he got slapped with an "emergency" of another kind. A national mag—in a well-intended article about David—made it look like he said that 13-year-olds bore him. **Not so!!** David says, "How can I—or anyone—be bored by 13-year-old girls? That is the age at which a girl is most winsome, bubbly and energetic—and girls like that could never bore me!" Actually, when it comes to girls, here's the real scoop on David—he loves 'em ALL, from four to 40, and maybe even 45! . . . Speaking of girls, steadies and the likes, handsome **Mark Lindsay**—Columbia recording artist and co-star of the **Carpenters'** NBC-TV summer series *Make Your Own Kind Of Music*—is once again footloose and fancy free. As for **Karen and Richard Carpenter**—no, they are not married, they happen to be sister and brother, and neither Karen nor Richard is going steady with anyone.

Though he insists that he is not too young to date or go steady, 13-year-old **Mark Lester's** super-busy schedule gives him very little time for girls. Don't miss Mark as "Joe" in Paramount's *Black Beauty*. It will be released around Thanksgiving. At Christmas, you will see Mark in A.I.P.'s *Who Slew Aunty Roo?* (the original title was *The Gingerbread House*, but that's been changed) . . . Meanwhile, Mark's sometimes-sidekick, **Jack Wild**, can be seen in Paramount's movie *The Pied Piper Of Hamelin*, which should be coming your way any day now . . . And speaking of movies, Disney's latest super-flick *Bedknobs & Broomsticks* will also be coming your way any day now. *B&B* features three adorable British newcomers—**Roy Snart, Cindy O'Callaghan** and **Ian Weighill**. Itza don't miss!

And speaking of Disney, if you would like to see the most spectacular live musical stage show ever, watch out for *Disney On Parade*—which may be coming your way soon. *Disney On Parade* features all your favorite cartoon characters, including **Mickey Mouse, Donald Duck** and **Snow White**. The *Disney On Parade* show will be in Cincinnati on October 20-31; in Baltimore on November 2-7; in Richmond, Va., on November 9-14; in Norfolk, Va. on November 16-21; in Minneapolis on November 24-28; in Lincoln, Nebraska, on November 30-December 5; and in Omaha, Nebraska, on December 7-12. If you don't happen to live in any of these cities, do not regret!! *Disney On Parade* will be featured on the *Wonderful World Of Disney* on December 19 on NBC-TV!

Former 16 staffer makes stardom!! Yesiree—former Associate Editor of 16 and SPEC—**Steve De Naut** will be the star (that's right, sweeties—star) of the first Southern California production of the Who's rock opera *Tommy*. It's being done at the South Coast Repertory Theatre in Orange County, California, and it will begin on September 24. So if you're in the area, or if you plan to be there within the next couple of months, be sure to stop by and see 16's rockin' new super-star, Steve De Naut! . . . Beautiful **Bobby Sherman** has this to say about his young fans: "God bless them all. I love them, not just for what they have done for me, but for their very own sweet, enthusiastic selves. And no matter how busy I am, I will continue to do live concerts on weekends, because that is the only way I can be absolutely sure that I will keep on seeing all the wonderful kids who have become a vital and joyous part of my life."



Mark Lindsay—on TV



Karen & Richard Carpenter



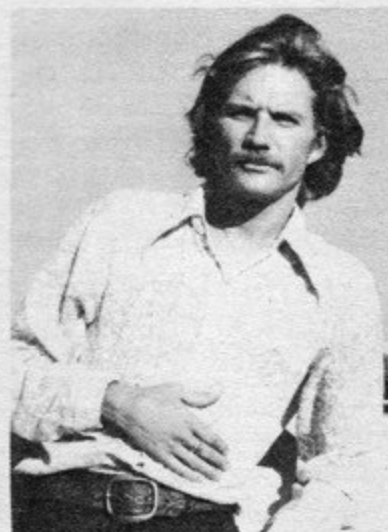
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