

DAVID, THE PARTRIDGE

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"Come on along—join Susan and share her life with David and the PF gang!"

Family—& YOU!

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NOT IN YOUR WILDEST DREAM would you ever think that one day you'd be standing face-to-face with David Cassidy, close enough to reach out and touch him, and that he'd be looking at you—right straight into your eyes! But there's David in front of you—and it really is happening. In fact, if you want to touch David, all you have to do is lift your hand and reach out. That's how close to you he is standing!

WELCOME TO OUR WORLD!

But before I get to this fabulous high point in my story, I'd better backtrack, introduce myself and bring you up-to-date on just how you got all the way from your home town to Stage 29—the Partridge Family's exclusive set—at the Columbia-Screen Gems ranch in Burbank, which is slightly north-northwest of the Hollywood area of Los Angeles.

My name is Susan Hallock Dey ("Hallock" is an old family name on my father's side) and I play "Laurie Partridge"—the 15-year-old daughter—on ABC-TV's *The Partridge Family* series. In real life, I am 18 years old (I was born on December 10, 1952) and how I, a New Yorker, ended up living in Los Angeles and working on *The Partridge Family* series is—well, "another story", and we'll get to that another time. At the moment, you can think

of me as Susan Dey (alias "Laurie"), your friend and "girl guide" to and through the wonderful, magical and exciting world of *The Partridge Family*.

Since every single one of you out there in 16-land is dying to get to meet and really come to know David Cassidy, Danny Bonaduce, Shirley Jones and the rest of the PF gang—and since it's a physical impossibility to simply transmit 16's millions of readers lock, stock and barrel out to sunny Los Angeles and put them in direct contact with David and the rest of us—I decided that the next best thing in the whole world that could be done for you was to invite you to join me each month in 16 Magazine and to share the intimate, true, real-life details of each and every member of *The Partridge Family*—especially those of David Bruce Cassidy!

I'M YOUR "BIG SIS"

When I was growing up, I was very lucky in that I had an older sister who did a lot of really nice things for me—including taking me on my first visit from our little home town of Mt. Kisco to the nearby exciting Manhattan area of New York City, to teaching me how to take care of myself (and to eventually become a model), and who not only introduced me to the kind of boys I wanted to meet, but