

Dear David,

I heard that your roommates Steve Ross and Sam Hyman are on health foods? Does that include you, too?

Francis Solvent  
Los Angeles, Cal.

Dear Francis,

It's true that Sam and Steve are on health foods, but their exact diet changes month to month. They used to mix a blend of bananas, yogurt, yeast milk, and some other things and drink that for breakfast, but they've stopped that now. Then they turned to fruits and vegetables, exclusively. Although their diet keeps changing it's still always very healthful. They're both really interested in health and organic foods. I'm interested in it too, but not to such a great extent. I still like Life cereal for breakfast and I love to have a good steak and salad.

Dear David,

I adore you. Someday I hope we can meet, but till then I guess I'll just keep on hoping and reading Partridge Family Magazine! Why don't you have a girlfriend? You don't have to answer if it's too personal!

Hilary Hobers  
Phil., Pa.

Dear Hilary,

Someday we will meet—just wait and see. And you know, I read Partridge Family Magazine, too! I don't have a girlfriend and the reason is because I'm so busy I don't have time to search for a special girl, and besides, I wouldn't have enough time to devote to her and that would make me sad.



#### FOR SHIRLEY:

Dear Shirley,

What were some of the movies you starred in and which did you like best? Do you prefer working on a television series to doing films?

Tracy Baret  
Seattle, Wash.

Dear Tracy,

My show business career began when, I think, I took music lessons as a young girl. I had to travel with my mother 30 miles every day to Pittsburgh so I must have really meant business! After I graduated from high school I attended the Pittsburgh Playhouse and sang in the Pittsburgh Civic Light Opera. At this time I interviewed with Rodgers and Hammerstein and was cast in my first Broadway show, "South Pacific." That's how it all came about! After several other stage productions I started my film career as Laurie in "Oklahoma!" From there I went into "The Courtship of Eddie's Father," "Ticklish Affair," "Music Man," "Bedtime Story," "Elmer Gantry," "Fluffy," "The Secret of My Success," and "Cheyenne Social Club!" I also did a television movie "Silent Night, Lonely Night," which I really enjoyed. I couldn't say which of the above was my favorite role because each was different and special in its own way! In comparison to a weekly television show, well, movies are much more glamorous, but I enjoy working for television because you've got a real chance to get to know all the people responsible for the show. Also, you don't have to worry about going on location, and when you're a mother of three wonderful boys, that's good—I can be near them all the time!

Dear Shirley,

Do you ever wear a wig? Do you like wigs? How old do you think a girl should be to wear a wig? Is there a book out by you called "Life, Love and David?" If so, tell me please—it sounds so exciting and I admire your opinions so much!

Bessie Littler  
Dayton, Ohio

Dear Bessie,

The only wig I've ever worn is really a fall. I wear it sometimes when I'm going out. Wigs are nice for specific purposes. I think it's best to wait until you're older to wear one—a complete wig—at least out of high school. After all, your own hair is natural and lovely when you're young. About the book, see page 60, and thanks so much for writing.



#### FOR DANNY:

Dear Danny,

How are you coming along with your guitar lessons—do you like music any better now?

Anita Summer  
Detroit, Mich.

Dear Anita,

Who ever told you I didn't like music?—I love it. In fact, I'd love to be a great singer, but I don't think I'll make it—I've got a terrible voice—it's so raspy. I just recently got a new 12 string guitar and I love it. The lessons are more fun now!

Dear Danny,

How do you like having a tutor on the set and not going to public school? Do you get regular report cards and all like in regular school?

Donna Freeman  
Lexington, Miss.

Dear Donna,

I really love having a tutor—especially the one we've got on the Partridge set. Her name's Jule Anderson and she's a real groovy teacher. If I had my choice of a tutor or public school, I'd still choose a tutor. It's nice not having anyone else in your class!

Dear Danny,

Do you think the lines you get to say on "Partridge" are funny?

Beth Claridge  
Ontario, Canada

Dear Beth,  
Yes!

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