Sam is not David's first pet dog; he had a cocker spaniel named Tippy when he was five. David's roommate also has a dog, Sheesh.



David's new home in the hills of Hollywood is wood and brick, complete with garage and swimming pool. He needed more room.

in their own ambitions to be serious with him. But then there are times when David finds that works out for the better anyway.

David's not having brothers and sisters to grow up with and the absence of his father may have something to do with his having a roommate now. His buddy is a film editor, Sam Hyman. They get along well; they've known each other since they were six years old, so they should. Their secret ambition is to some day make a film together. Both of the guys have pet dogs too. Man's best friend for David is his pooch, Sam (yes, named after his pal; sometimes it gets confusing though) and Sam's pup is called Sheesh.

David needs his friend Sam for those solitary moments when a date or family are not available and human contact is so important. But David has chosen to be a "loner"; to try to do a great deal with as little help as possible. Sam is the only buoy on David's sea by his own choice.

We'd like to mention a word about David Cassidy and children. As an only child he always had to search extra hard for playmates and true friendships. Currently of course he works with a group of youngsters. He is their big brother in his TV role, but he often continues his part away from the cameras. He gives advice on the set and off to his co-stars: Susan Dey, Danny Bonaduce, Jeremy Gelbwaks, and Suzanne Crough. He helps take care of these kids that compose his screen family.

As the stepson of Shirley Jones, he inherited her three boys as stepbrothers—Shawn, Patrick, and Ryan. He plays with them and is a good friend. That's something his father never had much time for. In turn, they idolize him.

The ages of all these children together span a range between four and 19. Many of his fans from coast to coast also fall into this age bracket; they all look up to him and love him too.

David relishes the admiration that all these young people display for him. But that's precisely what scares him. David could really dig raising a family of his own. But at this point in his life, he's decided his career must dominate these personal desires. He'll wait for that beautiful phase of life until a time when he feels he's truly ready for it.

Another obvoius reason why David is cautious about marriage is the fact that his own parents were divorced. He has this comment to make about his marriage plans: "Won't even think about it until I'm 30." His career and finding of himself are going to occupy his prime years between ages 20 and 30. And not thoughts of a family, nor material possessions like his new house or blue Mustang, not women, nor anything else is going to satisfy him until he's more certain about his status as a star. The true love of his life now is fame. He's heading for it and won't be detoured by anything in order to reach his goal. Of the many that preceded him, only a few are successful. Good Luck, David Cassidy! is about all we can say. •