

"I Think 18-Year-Olds Should Be Allowed To Drink & Buy Booze."

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David and his young-thinking stepmom, Shirley Jones, have no generation gap problems.

extremes to stick up for what he believes in, even if it means getting hurt himself.

For instance, when David was just 16 and launching his career, he auditioned for an off-Broadway musical and won one of the leading roles in a play called *The Fig Leaves Are Falling*. The ironic part about the whole situation is that David used a pseudonym when he tried out for the part. You see, David didn't want anyone to think that he got the role merely because his dad was the famous singer-actor Jack Cassidy. A lot of novices who are trying to get a foothold on the staircase to stardom would not have minded using a famous parent's name at all. In fact, many certainly would have cashed in on the celebrity of their parents. But not David. From the very beginning, he was the kind of person who wanted to make it on his own.

David is also very much his own man who does what he thinks is best for him, as far as his love life is concerned. He prefers going out with older women, and he's not afraid to say so. He's not afraid of people accusing him of wanting a mother figure in a relationship, although many people would do just that since David is the product of a broken marriage.

"Since I was 17 I haven't dated many girls my own age," David confesses. "I find girls who are a little older are at least a bit more settled."

David was also enough of an individualist and free-thinker to go out with a black girl when he was still in school. Although he admits that it took a long time for him to

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