

**I** can still remember the very first time I met you, almost two years ago. I had just turned 20, and I didn't know anything about one magical word you've taught me so much about since then.

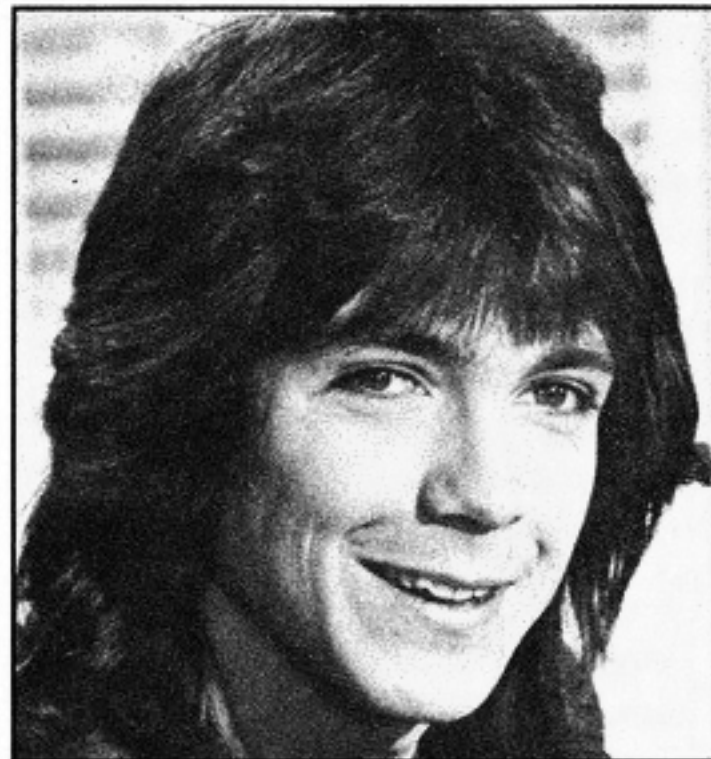
The word was love. I was afraid of that word, afraid because I didn't know anything about it; afraid that it might even happen to me someday and I wouldn't know it!

Well, it did happen, but when it did I never even thought of being afraid. It was the most natural thing on earth and I never stopped to think about it. I never stopped to say, "Hey, guess what? It's happened to me—I'm in love!" That is, until yesterday.

Sometimes it takes being separated from someone you love to make you realize how very much you do love them. You've probably heard the saying, "Absence makes the heart grow fonder," and you know, it's true!

ly discover how tired I was until I tried to get up and found that all I wanted to do was sleep! My roommate Sam reminded me that I had been existing on only 4 to 5 hours of sleep a night for the past several months!

I had decided that I was going to take a vacation this hiatus and go somewhere I've never been before—Europe! So, I decided to fly



In fact, it started almost the first morning I woke up in Italy because I woke up with you on my mind! I remember I sat up in bed and looked around and suddenly discovered that I had only been gone from you for a couple of days and already I missed you!

I guess I was surprised because I've been so busy I just never stopped to think about how much I love you and how much you've given me—happiness, peace, laughter, love.

And as I sat there in bed in a strange country surrounded by people I didn't know, I felt your love rushing towards me across all those miles and suddenly I felt light and carefree as my love rushed towards you in return.

Did you feel it? Sometimes now, I wonder if you realize that though I'm busy a lot and I don't always have the time to tell you—I do love you, with all my heart and soul!

You know, I've never doubted

# DAVID'S IN LOVE!

**Sometimes going away from those you love makes you realize how much you do love them! It happened to David, and he wants you to know all about it!**

When the Partridges finished shooting for the year right before Christmas, I was glad the season was finally over and I could really catch up on some rest!

All through the year people had been telling me I was working too hard—recording, filming, touring, and I guess I was, but I didn't realize it until filming stopped and I had a chance to catch my breath!

I had finished my first solo album, "Cherish," and the 5th Partridge Album which should be released any day now! All tours were finished until the middle of February, and I had absolutely nothing to do!

For the first week I think I was in bed half of each day! I didn't real-

ly discover how tired I was until I tried to get up and found that all I wanted to do was sleep!

Well, I got there all right, but so did the flu and I was in bed almost a week! I guess my body was just pretty much run down!

But then, though I couldn't believe it, I was on my way across the blue sky towards Europe! Sam was going to go along with me, but at the last minute he had to cancel out—so I went alone!

I was a little disappointed at first to have to see Europe on my own, but now I realize that going there alone was the best thing that ever happened to me, because it showed me a very important thing!

your love, it's just something I can feel wherever I go, whether I'm in Spain, Italy, or back home in California. I only hope that you'll never doubt my love and that sometimes, when you're alone, you can feel it in the air, just the way I feel yours!

And you know, all through the rest of my European traveling right until I reached home again, I woke up each morning and told you silently, "I love you!" But I wonder, did you hear me?

I think you did, because somehow love's message always gets through because love is the most important thing on earth—especially our love!