

Dear FLIP,

On July 11 when my cousin Ellen and I went to Memphis, little did we know what was in store for us! We were there to see the Osmonds in concert that night. But the first thing we did was find their hotel. While the Osmonds were eating supper, Ellen and I were waiting outside their hotel room. Suddenly smoke started coming out of Wayne and Alan's room (they weren't in there at the time) and Ellen ran to tell a cleaning lady that the room was on fire. Everyone started screaming and running, but I just stood there like a kook. All of a sudden, the Osmonds came out of their rooms. Merrill ran toward the exit and turned around and looked at me and said "Get out!" so I followed him. There I was, going down nine flights of stairs with Merrill Osmond! We stood in the yard and looked up at the smoke hurling out of Wayne and Alan's room. I really admire them—they were really upset, yet they were still so nice to everyone around them! July 11 is one day Ellen and I will never forget! Sandy Newbill; Atwood, Tenn.

Dear FLIP,

In July I went to Hawaii. I visited the Polynesian Cultural Center and the beautiful Mormon Temple, just like the Osmonds did! It was all so groovy. I'd love to go back! The only thing I regret about going is that it wasn't in April when the Outasight Osmonds were there, too! Kelli McVay; Lubbock, Texas

Dear FLIP,

The night I have been waiting for (August 5) has come and gone too soon. That was the night the Osmonds came to Syracuse. Seeing those five darling boys get off the bus, I thought, "It can't be happening." But it was and it was great! They're cute in magazine pics, but even cuter in person! I hope mine is one of the many letters that bring them back again! Osmond Fan; Kirkville, N.Y.

Dear FLIP,

God bless you! I got my September issue of FLIP on the 21st of July and read that the Osmonds would be appearing at the Nassau Coliseum the 22nd! It all happened so fast, but somehow I ended up at the concert, and it was soooooo fantabulous! Thank you for giving me that great info. Also, I was wondering if you could tell me why Jay was late getting on stage. Whatever the reason was, it was very effective, and the girls went crazy (including me!). Jay Lover; Long Island, N.Y.

Thanks for your nice letter! Jay told us the reason he was a couple of seconds late getting on stage that night was because there were a lot of people stand-

ing backstage who unintentionally blocked his way out!

Dear FLIP,

Donny's cute with his eyes of brown,  
Jay will keep you as happy as a clown!  
Merrill's as soulful as can be,  
Wayne's real handsome, golly gee!  
Alan's the oldest of them all,  
When you're with him you'll have a ball!

Paula Daigle; Metairie, La.

Dear FLIP,

Do the Osmonds have a songbook out (for piano)? I've got one of Carole King's and one of 3-Dog Night's, and it would seem only natural for the Osmonds to have one (because I'd buy it on the spot!). Faithful Fan; Duluth, Minn.

Yes, the Osmonds have several songbooks out, including their latest, "Osmonds Gold." You can buy them in your local music store, or take advantage of the Osmonds' special "2-for-the-price-of-1" offer in the November issue of FLIP!

Dear FLIP,

I met the Osmonds when they came to Savannah July 13 and 14, and when my sister was getting darling Donny's autograph, he read the page which he was signing (it was the poster from FLIP's Sept. issue, which said, "I'll give you the shirt off my back,") and when he read it he said, "I will?" He didn't know anything about it. How could you ever have such a contest without the okay of darling Donny first? I've always trusted FLIP, but now I'm really mixed up! Wait until Donny finds out he's got six more shirts to give away. Wow! I still entered the contest, 'cause I'd give anything for one of his shirts, but I'm still disappointed in FLIP! Kathy Adams; Savannah, Ga.

Of course we got Donny's permission first—way back in March, when we took the pictures that went with the contest, and Donny gave us the shirts. But Donny didn't know we were going to use that centerfold poster of him, and when he saw it he didn't connect it with the contest. You should have showed him pages 18-19, where the contest was, 'cause you got to see FLIP ahead of Donny that month (it went on sale only two or three days before you showed it to Donny). By the way, the winners of Donny's Shirt Contest will be announced in next month's FLIP!

Dear FLIP,

In your Oct. issue you ran a story called "Donny: Why Is He Hiding From You?" Man! That was the most beautiful story that I've ever read. It's not like the stories that other mags write about Donny. This one brought

Donny closer to me. Because we all know what a beautiful person Donny is. That story made me cry when I realized how selfish we all are to love someone so much that we can't control ourselves. It also hurts me to know that because of us, Donny has to be penned up behind a window! I'm sure nobody ever realized how much we've all done to break Donny's heart. So please girls, when you see Donny, behave like a lady. Don't hurt him! Elaine Sinagra; Galena, Calif.

Dear FLIP,

We're writing this letter to Donny Osmond: Thank you for opening the bus window so that we could shake your hand and take pictures of you after the rehearsal for your concert in Houston. Our pictures turned out terrific!! Karen & Rhonda; Houston, Texas

Dear FLIP,

I want to thank you for being such a great magazine. I can't tell you how grateful I am for "Donny Osmond's Lovers' Guide." I think it's the greatest thing ever written. I love Donny very much, and very often I wish I lived in America, because here in Denmark I can't get the chance to see him in concert, not even on TV. When I heard his record, "Puppy Love," the first time about three months ago, I fell in love with him, even though I'd never seen him. I rushed to the city, looked in your April issue and couldn't believe my eyes! I went home and covered my room with pictures of Donny! Arrelise Pedersen; Fruens Boge, Denmark

Dear FLIP,

You had absolutely gorgeous pictures of Cory Wells and Chuck Negron in your article, "The Last Time I Cried" (Oct. FLIP). But where was the best looking "Dog" of all—DANNY HUTTON? I mean, you've always had him in before, why not now? Sandy; Hazleton, Pa.

Danny didn't want to answer the question, so we couldn't put him in!

Dear Flip,

That color poster of Bobby in FLIP's Superstars Poster Annual was super. Most other mags have forgotten Bobby. Keep it up, FLIP—all us Bobby Lovers love you! Lesa; Allendale, N.J.

Do you have your copy of FLIP's Superstars Poster Annual yet? If not, you can order it on page 45 of this issue!

