

Well, I don't think that some of us are so far from being monkeys even today! When you look at wars and some of the ways people have hurt other people, I think it is pretty clear that we've got some animal nature still in us! I haven't really studied evolution that much, but it makes sense to me. I think that the Bible story of Genesis is more symbolic—like a poem is symbolic—than actual historical truth.

I THINK THAT "RICKY'S TUNE" ON THE "CHERISH" ALBUM IS GREAT, AND I READ THAT IT'S ABOUT YOUR DOG, SAM. BUT HOW COME IT'S CALLED "RICKY'S TUNE?"

**A Fan
Atlanta, Ga.**

It's called "Ricky's Tune" because I used to call my dog "Ricky" as a nickname. Every time I called "Sam" this funny looking guy with curly hair would come into the room and ask what I wanted! Also, I had to keep their food separate. I wouldn't have wanted my dog to eat one of Sam's monstrosities by accident!



**HAVE YOU MET DONNY OS-
MOND? WHAT DO YOU THINK
OF HIM?**

**Laura Bayliss
Winchester, Va.**

You mean, "what is Donny Osmond really like?" He's a nice guy! When we were playing Salt Lake City, the Osmonds came to the concert, and that made us all pretty nervous before we went on—but after the show they all came backstage to tell us how much they liked it! We had a great talk, and when we go back there on May 6th, we'll probably see them again! At least, if they're not off on a tour of their own! You know, I'd really like to go on tour with them some day!

**DO YOU HAVE ANY PHOBIAS
OR ANYTHING LIKE THAT?**

**Pepper
Newport News, Va.**

Sure I do. There are times when the thought of driving a car really freaks me out! I've seen a couple of freeway crashes, and that's enough to scare anybody! I'm also a back-seat driver of the first degree—even when I'm in the front seat! Another thing that scares me is running into very large guys with big muscles who come up to me and say "My girlfriend really likes you!" I never know whether to say "That's great," or "I'm sorry!"

**DID YOU HAVE ANY IDOLS
WHEN YOU WERE YOUNGER?**

Mark Goren

I was as crazy over the Beatles as anybody in the world. I bought all

their albums, read everything I could about them, learned all their songs, got upset when people said their hair was too long, and just generally did the whole fan trip. In fact, if I met one of them today, I'd probably still be too impressed to think of anything to say!

**IF YOU'RE EVER PLANNING TO
GET MARRIED, HAVE YOU
THOUGHT OF ANY NAMES FOR
YOUR SONS AND DAUGHTERS?**

Ricci Brambler

First, I am planning to get married, and I do want children. If it's a girl, I'll name her Prudella, and if it's a boy, I'll name him Frick. If it's twins, I'll call them Tick and Tock. Actually, I've never given it a thought. But I did once know a pair of identical twins named Tick and Tock. The funniest joke of my third grade year happened when Tick (or maybe it was Tock) fell downstairs at school, and the teacher who picked him up said, "My, how time flies." I guess it was funnier in third grade.

**IS IT TRUE THAT YOU'RE TAK-
ING A GIRL ALONG ON ALL
YOUR TOURS WITH YOU?**

**Laurie Carmel
East Lynne**

NO! I've heard that rumor a bunch of times, and I don't know how it got started. When I'm on tour, I'm working twenty hours a day, with concerts, interviews, pictures, and travelling, I wouldn't have time to even talk to a



**WHAT DO YOU THINK ABOUT
THE DRUGS YOUNG PEOPLE
ARE TAKING?**

First, not all young people are taking drugs, right? There are lots of kids who don't want to take a chance with messing their minds up. I'm opposed to drugs. I think that the human mind is a real miracle—it took millions of years to develop—and I don't think a three-dollar tablet is going to help it along any! That's the way I feel about the "psychedelics" anyway. The other stuff—like speed and heroin and pills—are too sad to even think about. Anyone who's ever walked down Hollywood Boulevard and seen the poor, messed-up kids stumbling around with their brains burned out of them should never again have to wonder about drugs! Stay away from them.

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