

Dear Trina,

I love answering fan mail. I only regret not having enough time to answer all the letters I receive. I'm trying to do my best though! When I received my first letter I was too happy for words! I read it over and over... and nearly tore it putting it in and taking it out of the envelope so much! But it was a real thrill, and I'm really grateful to everyone who writes!

Dear David,

Is Shirley Jones the only member of the Partridge Family you're related to?

Carolyn
Mehlville, Mo.

Dear Carolyn,

Yes, Shirley is the only Partridge I'm related to, but the rest of us are close enough that we almost feel like a real family!



BUSY, BUSY, BUSY—that's what it's like on the set of "The Partridge Family!" Just before the scene is shot, David gets a make-up touch-up, Shirley has her hair fixed and all get ready to dig into "breakfast!"

Dear Susan,

My friends and I were talking the other day about all the young celebrities there are, and we've come to realize that teen idols have been around for a long, long time! Did you have any favorites when you were younger? If so, who were they?

Charlene Evans
Mission Hills, Ca.

Dear Charlene,

Did I have any favorites? I'll say I did! I was growing up during the time the British singers were popular, so I loved the Beatles, Stones and Dave Clark Five! My friends and I would gather 'round the TV everytime they were on, and buy their records and magazines like mad! It was fun back then, but I think there are even "more" talented performers around today! Don't you agree?

Dear David,

I really enjoy your show and wanted to know why you don't have your own fan club? Also, I've heard that you've been doing some tours and I was curious if you plan on coming to Colorado?

Your fan,
Jean W.
Pueblo, Co.

Dear Jean,

I'd really love coming to Colorado, but right now it's too early in the year to say for sure where my concert dates might take me! Just keep listening to the radio for announcements of upcoming concerts in your area, and maybe I'll see you! As for having my own fan club, a brand new one has just been organized and I'd love to have you join. For more information, see page 74.



WHAT'S SUZANNE'S most prized possession? Her own mini-bike! Since her family moved to a new house in the San Fernando Valley she's got plenty of room to ride her mini-bike!

Dear Susan,

I love the part you play on the "Partridge Family," and you always look so good! Your hair is just lovely. I only wish that mine would look as good. What can I do to make it look long and straight? Mine is shoulder-length, thick and curly. I've thought of hair straighteners, but most people say they don't work. What should I do?

A Partridge fan
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Partridge Fan,

Thanks for your very sweet letter. I'm so glad you wrote! Lots of my friends have naturally curly hair, and these are the tips I picked up from them: First of all, when you wash your hair, set it afterwards immediately on real big rollers. Then sit under the hair dryer and let it dry thoroughly. Damp hair, when it's naturally curly, has a tendency to wave or frizz. But when it's completely dry, the curl is well under control. Secondly, seriously consider having your hair straightened. Just because it doesn't work for others doesn't mean it won't do the job for you. Invest in a home solution that you can apply yourself, or treat yourself to a trip to the beauty salon and have it done professionally. Even though it may not completely remove the curl, it'll probably help a little. In either case, you can't lose!

Dear David,

I just had my ears pierced and I wondered what you think of girls who do this?
Tye Block
Dayton, Oh.

Dear Tye,

What an unusual and pretty name you have! I think the pierced ear look is cute, and I enjoy seeing girls wearing delicate pierced earrings in silver and gold!

Dear Susan,

This has been bothering me for some-time now. How long has the "Partridge Family" been on TV? Thank you.
Marlene Hujalo
Newberry, Mich.

Dear Marlene,

Don't let it bother you anymore—the "Partridge Family" has been on television since September 24, 1970!