SEND YOUR QUESTIONS TO: DEAR CAROL, FLIP MAGAZINE, P.O. BOX 38470, LOS ANGELES, CALIF. 90038

Q. While reading your magazine I found a terrible error I think you should correct. As my husband is missing-in-action in Vietnam, my daughter and I are deeply involved in the plight of POW's and MIA's. You stated that VIVA stands for Victory in Vietnam Inc. It actually stands for Voices in Vital America. Mrs. C.J.F.—Salina. Kan.

A. Many thanks for pointing out the error to me. I stand corrected.

Q. All right now, Carol, I want the honest to goodness truth! Is Wayne Osmond engaged, married or going steady? The truth! B.L.-Chatt., Tenn.

A. The truth-no, Wayne is very single and very available.

Q. Are Michael Cole and his wife separated? I heard they were. A.L.—Toronto, Ontario, Can.

A. No, in fact, they are happily together with their first born child. All is definitely splendid with the Coles.

Q. Is it true that the song "Garden Party" by Rick Nelson is based on an experience he had in Madison Square Garden? A.S.—Oyster Bay, N.Y.

A. Yes, it is. Rick performed at a concert with a lot of other people who had had hits back in the '60's and he felt that most of the people in the audience wanted him to be like he was then instead of what he is like nowthat was the basis of the song.

Q. My cousin says her music tacher told her that Three Dog Night received their name from an Australian phrase meaning "a cold night." Is this true? M.K.—S. Boston, Mass.

A. Your cousin was right. Australian sheepherders spend cold nights out in the fields with their sheep and their sheep dogs. On a chilly night they will sometimes sleep with one of the dogs to keep warm, on a colder night with two dogs and on a very cold night with three dogs-thus the term a "three dog night."

Q. I was reading an old FLIP from about a year ago and it said that the Osmonds were recording in Muscle Shoals, Alabama. I would like to know if they still record there? D.C.—Huntsville, Ala.

A. The Osmonds recorded one album there but now do most of their recording in Hollywood. As soon as their Utah studio is finished they'll probably do a lot of their recording there. But a lot of other people still use the Muscle Shoals studios.

Q. About a month ago I sent a scrapbook c/o Columbia Ranch to David Cassidy. I sent it "Return Receipt Requested" and the guy who signed it was Richard Vlasob. If possible I'd like to know who he is. D.W.-Nesconset, N.Y.

A. Richard is one of the guards who works at the main gate to the Columbia Ranch, which is where all mail addressed to the ranch is delivered. If David was on the ranch the day the package arrived, he most likely did receive it: otherwise it would have been sent to his fan club.

Q. Please tell me where I can write to Andy and David Williams. I adore them both! Clarissa Morley, Braintree, Mass.

A. You can write to Andy and David at their fan club address: P.O. Box 4188, North Hollywood, Calif. 91607

Q. Could you please tell me how old the Williams twins are and when their birthday is. Also where can I write to them? Thanks. E.J.— Markham, Ont.

A. Andy and David turned 14 on February 22, 1973. And you can write to them at P.O. Box 4188, North Hollywood, California 91607.

Q. Is it true that one of the Osmonds is dead? If so, which one? D.G.—Chicago, III.

A. No, it's not true at all!

