

by Sharon Lee

David Cassidy said, "Sure, I'd love to!" when I called him on the "Partridge" set and asked him if he'd have time for a little interview. So, I grabbed my notebook and tape recorder and hurried down to Columbia Ranch! Since I was on deadline, I was disappointed that I had to turn down David's invitation to do a lunch interview! It was just 9:30 in the morning and I had to be back at the office by 11:00! Since lunch on the set wasn't until 1:00, there wasn't time for me to wait! But, it reminded me a lot of my first year out on the "Partridge" set, four years ago when all our interviews were over lunch! So, I had to interview David in-between filming this time, and there was a lot of "Uhmmm, where were we?" and, "Sorry, I'll be right back," on the tape when I typed it up for YOU to share, but I left them all out! David was in a very good mood, and smiling a lot, and that's always a nice way to have an interview!



SHARON: HOW DO YOU FEEL KNOWING THIS IS YOUR LAST SEASON AS A PARTRIDGE?

DAVID: Actually, I feel great! I know that might sound a little harsh to some people—but four years as one character is an awful lot of time! Especially when it's a character who really doesn't grow! I mean, Keith Partridge was a high-school junior when I started working on "Partridge" and he's still going to high school! Perhaps

I would have enjoyed the role much more if Keith had an opportunity to grow a little! Still, I'll always be grateful to the role for the opportunity it gave me and for all the great fans it helped me come to know.

SHARON: WHEN WILL YOUR LAST DAY OF SHOOTING BE? DAVID: It depends. They're sort of renewing the show by weeks! Around the first of the year they decided to pick up for five more shows, and right now they're de-

ciding whether to shoot the last 4 or 5 which would finish off the season's exact number of scripts. So, I should know in a few days. If we're picked up for the last few days, we'll finish up in March. If they decide no more, we'll be done in about 2 weeks.

SHARON: WOULD YOU LIKE TO FINISH THE SEASON OUT?

DAVID: I figure that since we've come this far we might as well finish it off. It would be great if