



David Cassidy

He Sings For Fun

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David Bruce Cassidy is that refreshing glass of cola on a scorching Summer afternoon. Sparkling and effervescent, he's just the thing to lift the spirits.

And when he appears (as he did in Cleveland a short time ago) there's a certain carbonated feeling — lots of zip and zing — about the atmosphere.

TAKE his earlier appearance in Canton as guest of WHLO radio. The station arranged a special party in his honor for about 80 guests before his evening performance.

Quiet descended like a soft cloud when David Cassidy appeared.

David, a radiant, sunny way about him, looked comfortable in well-worn blue jeans, a beige, skinny-ribbed sweater and beige boots. He's small, his body taut and lean.

THE TEEN-AGE star of ABC-TV's The Partridge Family is actually 21 years old. But he could fool the cleverest

carnival age-guesser.

You notice his eyes first. Large and expressive, they crinkled into a smile as he scanned the roomful of guests.

Onlookers sensed that he was genuinely interested in them.

"WHEN I lose the enthusiasm for what I do, I'll stop," David said in an interview later.

But if he weren't in the entertainment business, David admitted, it would be hard to say what he'd be doing. "Whatever it was, I'd be having fun," he said.

Son of singer-actor Jack Cassidy and actress-singer Evelyn Ward, David is one of the hottest young stars today.

He works five days a week — usually starting at 7:30 a. m. — on Partridge Family and gets home about 7:30 p. m. to his Hollywood Hills house. (Of his TV mom and real life stepmother, Shirley Jones, he said: "She's my friend.")

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