

# Partridge Family Papers Going to Highest Bidders

Since The Partridge Family premiered on ABC in 1970, an incredible amount of material about David Cassidy has accumulated in my files.

The correspondence from David Cassidy fans alone would be of considerable research importance to psychologists, social anthropologists, historians and other scholars studying the 1970-72 period of TV history. The Library of Congress thus far has not accepted the David Cassidy Papers.

A problem remains. Should I throw all this primary and secondary source material into the garbage can? My instinct is for preservation, despite space problems in the Kitman Archives. A compromise solution came to mind.

I have decided to sell to the highest bidder some of my most treasured David Cassidy memorabilia. I have arbitrarily picked a minimum price. In all cases, the highest bid wins. No credit cards accepted. Allow ten days for delivery.

**Item No. 1:** A genuine envelope (dated April 14, 1972), inscribed by hand: "Hey, Mr. Mailman, don't be slow/Be like a CASSIDY and GO-MAN-GO. (Minimum price: \$1.99)

**Item No. 2:** A Xerox copy of David Cassidy's birth certificate. Sent in to a TV critic (circa June, 1972) to prove David Cassidy is 22, not 24. (Minimum price \$2.99)

**Item No. 3:** Letter from "David's Fan 4-Ever." It reads in part: "David Cassidy is the best! You're just jealous because you don't have good looks, a great voice, personality, warmth, kindness . . . like David does. You have a lot to be jealous of. I don't see an organization fighting cancer named after you." (23 cents)

**Item No. 4:** A piece of Swiss cheese. The sendee swears it is what critics eat because they are rats. (Minimum price: \$2.30 per pound.)

**Item No. 5:** A rarity. Letter on the subject of David Cassidy. This one explains: "You think your (sic) so hot because you went to China and took Chung Fu (sic) or whatever it is, your (sic) in for a big surprise. Your (sic) not! I do not go bananas when I see David Cassidy on TV. Why should I, I saw him live . . ." (Best offer accepted.)

**Item No. 6:** Autographed David Cassidy stills from ABC staff photographer. Autographed by a well-known TV critic. (Minimum price: \$1.99. Picture unautographed: \$7.99.)

All proceeds will go to my three favorite charities. Please indicate which one you want your contribution to go to:

**1—The Proper PH Clinic.** Specializes in research in skin therapy for TV viewers.

**2—The Donny Osmond Fund.** An organization dedicated to helping find Donny Osmond's voice, which was lost recently.

**3—The David Cassidy Home for Unwed Mothers.**