

ALF TV Interview with Paul Dooley (September 17, 2012)

Q: Were you familiar with the show before you guest starred?

A: I had seen it a couple of times.

Q: How did you get the role?

A: One of the writers, Thad Mumford, had been a staff writer on the PBS show "The Electric Company" for which I was head writer. Thad called me and offered me the job.

Q: Do you have any fond memories of your time spent on the set?

A: Just watching Paul Fusco working the "ALF" character. Fascinating. Also I loved working with Anne Meara.

Q: Do you have any souvenirs from your time on the show?

A: No souvenirs.

Q: What was it like working with Paul Fusco?

A: Again, fascinating.

Q: Of all the episodes in which you appeared, which was your favorite?

A: I would say "the wedding" episode.

Q: Whizzer and Dorothy had a roller coaster of a relationship; how well did you get along with Anne Meara in real life?

A: Anne and I are old friends. I was once head writer for the Stiller and Meara show called "Take Five." I also wrote a number of radio commercials for S. and M.

Q: Do you enjoy jazz music (like Whizzer Deaver)? If so, who are some of your favorite jazz musicians?

A: Miles Davis, Charles Mingus, Dizzy Gillespie

Q: Did you know that there is an ALF movie coming to the big screen?

A: Never heard that.

Q: What are you up to now?

A: Still acting in films and TV.