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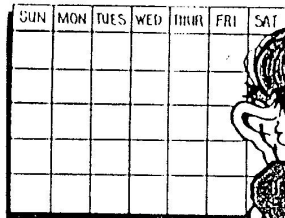
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**A Personal Thank-You
From Paul Fusco**





YO, FELLOW ALFMEISTERS!

Much has happened since our last newsletter. Through the aid of the National Association of Fan Clubs and a nationally syndicated antiques and collectibles columnist, Anita Gold, ALFMEISTERS received national publicity. We thank Anita and welcome our many new members.

In this issue, we feature 'ALF On-Line' in recognition of the truly universal appeal of ALF. ALF Fans have been able to connect globally through the internet from Pepe in Mexico to Giorgio in Italy! It seems we ALFMEISTERS have become a small and interconnected community.

In the midst of the computer age, it is no coincidence that our first form of direct communication with Paul Fusco, ALF's creator, was through E-Mail! His encouraging message is printed below.

Many of you have written us recounting your ALF collectible experiences and with your desire to meet other ALF Fans in person. Please let us know how you feel about getting together sometime.

We hope you enjoy this issue! *Tom and Val*

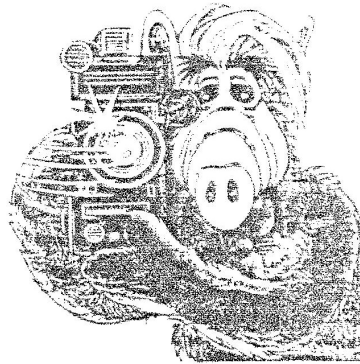
A MESSAGE FROM ALF'S CREATOR

"THANKS FOR YOUR EFFORTS IN KEEPING ALF ALIVE AND WELL. I APPRECIATE ALL THE WORK YOU GUYS ARE DOING. IT'S ALWAYS GREAT TO HEAR FROM FANS LIKE YOURSELF AND THE FAN CLUB NEWS-LETTER IS JUST GREAT! KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK."

ALFectionately,
Paul Fusco

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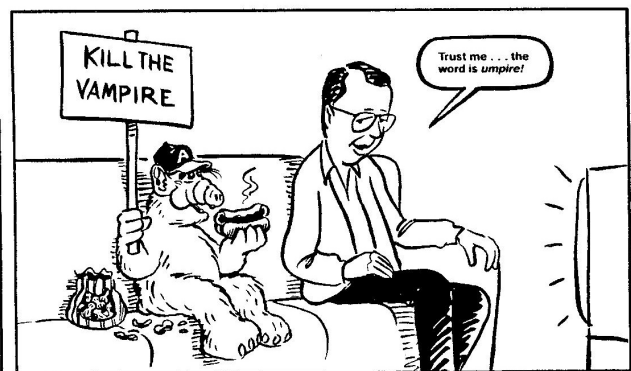
VIDEO ALF-a-bits



ALF SIGHTINGS

On December 27, 1996, during the VH1 Pop-Up Video Program on Cable TV, ALF was mentioned in Sting's new video "I'm So Happy". The video incorporated a futuristic science fiction/western theme. The blurb referred to Sting's real name as Gordon Sumner, and compared to it was our very own Gordon Shumway! This video is often aired in the Pop-Up Video line up.

On Sunday, January 12, 1997, ALF made a cameo appearance in one of the funniest Simpson's episodes ever. A spoof of the X-Files, ALF is featured in an Alien line-up from which Homer Simpson is to pick out the Alien he saw. ALF was the only Alien to actually speak, exclaiming, "Yo!". The source of the voice is unknown.



ALF CHATS ON AMERICA ON LINE

Before subscribers had difficulty accessing 'America on Line', Alf, Paul Fusco, and questioners from around the country had a chance to chat on the eve of the premiere of "Project Alf" which aired Saturday, February 17, 1996 on ABC. The following are some highlights of this momentous conversation.

Q: WHY AREN'T THE TANNERS IN THE MOVIE?

PAUL: WE CHOSE NOT TO USE THEM SO THAT EVERYONE WOULD KNOW THIS WOULD BE A DIFFERENT SHOW.

Q: HI, HOW OLD ARE YOU ALF?

ALF: I'M 475 YEARS OLD THIS APRIL. ACTUALLY, I'M JUST HITTING MY PRIME.

Q: WHERE HAVE YOU BEEN ALF?

ALF: I'VE BEEN ON THE ISLAND OF TORTOLA RAISING FREE RANGE KITTENS. THEY'RE A LOT MEATIER THAN STRAYS. IF YOU WANT, I'LL SEND YOU ONE. MY COMPLIMENTS.

Q: ANY PLANS FOR A NEW SERIES ALF (OR MAY I CALL YOU GORDON)?

ALF: EITHER ONE. IN A PERFECT WORLD, MAYBE WE'LL HAVE ANOTHER SERIES. IF "THIRD ROCK FROM THE SUN" CAN GET ON, ANYTHING IS POSSIBLE.

Q: PAUL & ALF, DID YOU READ THE ALF COMIC BOOK MARVEL COMICS PUBLISHED IN THE 80's? WHAT DID YOU THINK OF IT?

ALF: CLASSIC LITERATURE!

PAUL: ALF IS BEING MODEST AGAIN.

Q: WHY DID THE SHOW END ON SUCH A CLIFF-HANGER...AND WHAT ACTUALLY HAPPENED!!!!???

THIS HAS PLAGUED ME FOR YEARS...

PAUL: ALF WAS CAPTURED BY THE GOVERNMENT IN THE LAST EPISODE, AND WE WERE TOLD BY THE NETWORK THAT IF THE SHOW DIDN'T RETURN, THEY WOULD ALLOW US TO DO A SPECIAL WHERE WE COULD WRAP IT UP.

ALF: ANOTHER BROKEN PROMISE.....

Q: ALF, WHY DO YOU EAT CATS?

ALF: WHY DO YOU EAT CHICKEN? DON'T KNOCK IT IF YOU HAVEN'T TRIED IT. I CAN SEND YOU SOME RECIPES.

Q: ALF, DO YOU PREFER YOUR CATS TAR TAR, A LA MODE, FLAMBE, OR SUSHIMI?

ALF: YES.

Q: HOW DID YA GET THE IDEA FOR ALF?
PAUL: HE WAS BASED ON A GIRL I ONCE DATED.
ALF: ONLY SHE HAD MORE BODY HAIR.

Q: HI ALF! WHY DID THEY TAKE YOU OFF THE AIR?
ALF: LACK OF TASTE! BAD CORPORATE DECISION IN MY ESTIMATION.

Q: ALF, WILL WE FIND OUT WHAT HAPPENED THE NIGHT RHONDA CAME BACK TO GET YOU?
ALF: YES, BUT NOT ON BROADCAST TELEVISION.

Q: WHERE DO YOU GET YOUR FUR CLEANED?
ALF: I HAVE A WOMAN THAT COMES IN ONCE A WEEK TO VACUUM ME. IT'S ONE OF THE PERKS OF BEING A STAR. ROBIN WILLIAMS HAS THE SAME PERK. I UNDERSTAND IT TAKES OVER 3 HOURS JUST TO BLOW DRY HIS BACK.

Q: WHAT EVER HAPPENED TO ALF TALES?
PAUL: IT WAS CANCELLED, MUCH TO MY DISAPPOINTMENT.

Q: ALF, I CAN ALMOST HEAR YOUR VOICE!!! ARE YOU IN SYNDICATION?
ALF: NOT CURRENTLY. I THINK I'M STILL RUNNING IN SAUDI ARABIA.

Q: ALF, HAVE YOU EVER MET YODA?
ALF: I CAN'T SAY THAT I HAVE. I HAVE TROUBLE BUYING THE CONCEPT. TALK ABOUT A BELIEVEABILITY PROBLEM.

Q: WHAT ARE THE ORIGINAL MEMBERS OF THE CAST DOING NOW?
ALF: THEY'RE LIVING IN ICELAND.
PAUL: MAX WRIGHT IS AN OCCASIONAL GUEST STAR ON FRIENDS.

Q: I ALWAYS LAUGHED WHEN ALF BURPED. WAS THERE ANYTHING SPECIAL THAT MADE HIM BURP MORE?
ALF: CHILI CATS.

Q: HOW DID YOU GET ALONG WITH MARTIN SHEEN?
ALF: HE WAS FINE ONCE HE STARTED LISTENING TO ME. I GAVE THE GUY A LOT OF ACTING POINTERS. SEEMS TO HAVE HELPED.

Q: ALF, IF YOU AND E.T. WERE IN A CROWDED BAR, WHO WOULD GET THE HOTTEST DATE?
ALF: YOU TELL ME! OBVIOUSLY YOU NEED TO HAVE YOUR EYES CHECKED.

Q: HEY ALF, WHAT DID YOU THINK ABOUT THE BROADWAY PLAY CATS?

ALF: IT WAS VERY MISLEADING.

Q: WHAT KIND OF ALIEN ARE YOU?

ALF: I'M A GREEN BLOODED MELMACIAN.

Q: DID NASA DO ANY TESTS ON YOU?

ALF: YES. CRUEL AND UNHUMANE TREATMENT, AS FAR AS I'M CONCERNED. THEY MADE ME WATCH CHEVY CHASE FILMS WHILE I WAS TIED UP IN A ROOM.

Q: WILL MULDER AND SCULLY GET WISE TO YOU?

ALF: COME ON MAN, GET REAL! THAT'S ONLY A TV SHOW!

Q: I UNDERSTAND YOU HAVE 2 BIRTHDAYS, COULD YOU ELABORATE?

ALF: ACCORDING TO MY MOTHER, IT WAS A TOUGH DELIVERY! I WAS TAKING TROMBONE LESSONS AT THE TIME.

Q: WHICH LEADING LADY WOULD YOU MOST LIKE TO WORK WITH?

ALF: ANYONE WHO'S SHORTER THAN I AM.

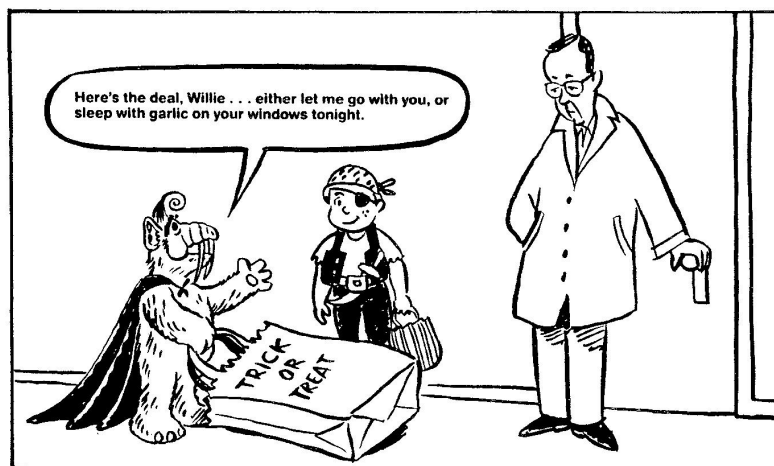
Q: DO YOU HAVE ANY PHILOSOPHICAL QUOTES THAT YOU LIVE BY?

ALF: YES. ONE IS "LIGHTEN UP! DON'T TAKE LIFE SERIOUSLY. YOU'RE NEVER GOING TO GET OUT OF IT ALIVE".

ALF: THIS WAS QUITE AN ACCOMPLISHMENT FOR ME. I DID ALL THIS TYPING AND I ONLY HAVE 8 FINGERS.

PAUL: THANKS EVERYBODY! WE REALLY APPRECIATE ALL YOU FANS!

ALF: DID STEVE URKEL GET THIS MANY USERS? TALK ABOUT A STRETCH!



MANUFACTURER'S NOTEBOOK

We try to be as complete as possible when listing the items produced by a company. Any errors or omissions are solely ours.

In this issue we cover---

**Russ Berrie Corp.
Oakland, N.J.**

Russ Berrie produces small gift type items found primarily in card shops, gift shops, toy stores and occasionally in convenience stores and even department stores. All Russ Berrie items(with the exception of the mugs) came on some type of display stand.

Magnets-Eight different magnets. 2 1/4" diameter buttons with magnet on back. Each has a white background with a caricature of ALF and a short saying. They came 25 to a display stand. The stand is light blue metal 16" tall and 12" wide with a drawing of ALF in a director's chair at the top. 1987 Alien Productions Style no. 3077

Puffy Stickers-Stickers came on a card of eight different. The card is 8 " tall by 3 1/2 " wide covered in cellophane with a folded cardboard header stapled to the top. The display box is light green. 8" square by 2 3/4" deep illustrated with various caricatures from the stickers. 1987 Alien Prod. Item # 2451 contains 6 dozen.

Keyrings Plastic card type. There are 12 different white plastic cards 3 3/8" x 2 1/8". Each with a color drawing and saying with a gold colored keyring attached. The stand is a light blue plastic covered metal wire rack with light blue cardboard backing and a seperate light blue cardboard header that pictures ALF in a directors chair.

**The rack comes with three rows of four hooks.
1987 Alien Prod. Item # 9480**

- Bumper stickers--Six different stickers with a white background and color caricatures of ALF with saying. Displayed on a 20 3/4" tall by 15 1/4" wide dark blue cardboard stand with two different caricatures taken from the bumper stickers. A clear plastic slotted piece holds the stickers. 1987 #6579**

Mugs--Each white ceramic mug has a different drawing and saying and comes in its own 4" cube shaped white box with a color picture the same as the mug. On top of the box is TO: and FROM: There are six different mugs. The mugs are 3 5/8" tall and 3 3/8" diameter. 1987 Mugs item # 8473 Boxes style #8600

Furry clip-ons--These 3" tall figures have moveable heads and clamping arms. Each comes with an attached hang tag that is folded to form a 1" tall by 1 1/8" wide red tag with ALF in yellow print. They are displayed on a white nylon rope with a 3 1/2" diameter light blue cardboard header tag with ALF picture. It is folded over the rope to form two identical sides. 1987 #1399

Large furry clip-ons--Similar to above only six inches tall attached hang tag is larger and the rope display header tag is 5 1/4" diameter. 1988 #1398 12 to a rope.

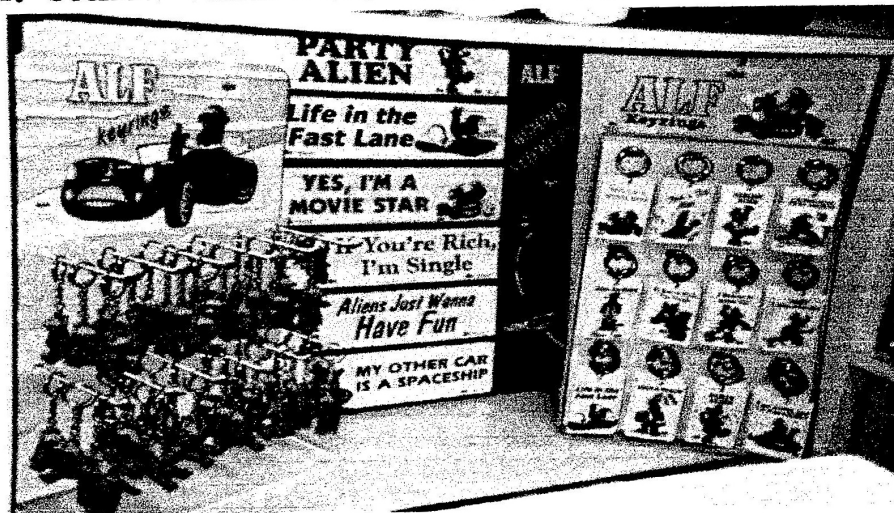
Fuzzy (lapel) pins--Pin depicts ALFs' face and is approx. 1 1/4" tall and is three dimensional. They are displayed 36 pins on a light blue cardboard stand 15" tall by 13" wide. At the top is a drawing of ALF in a directors chair. 1988 #1316

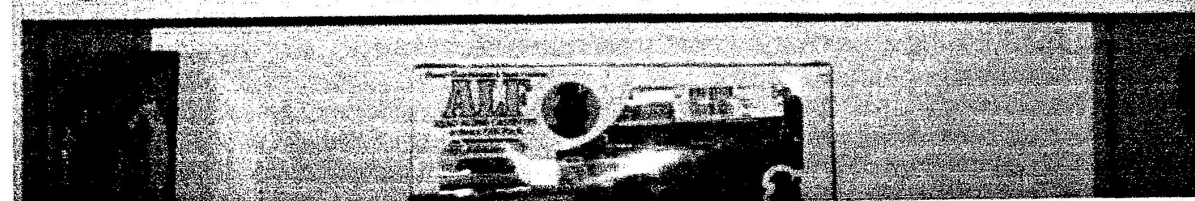
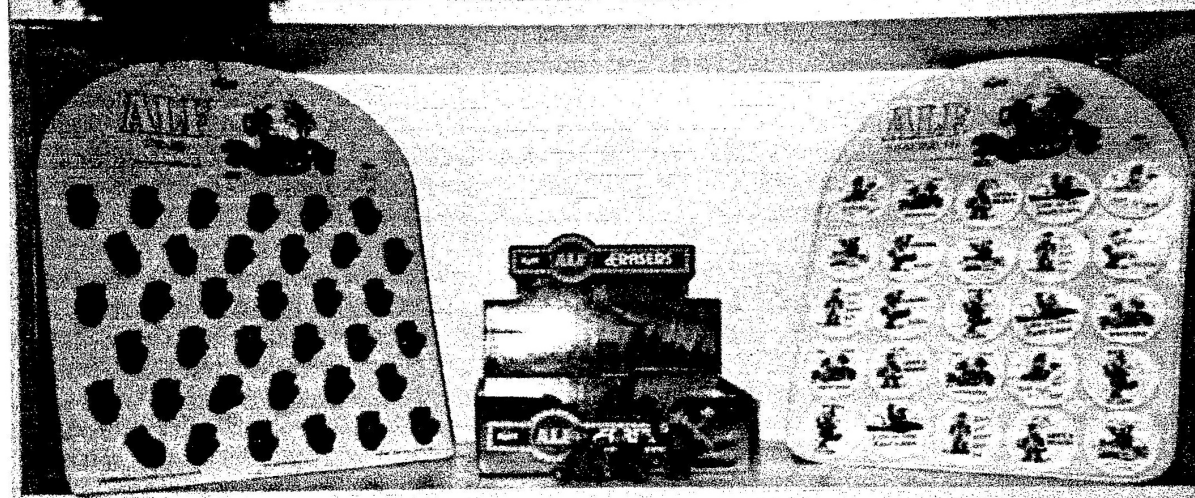
Erasers--ALF colored rubber eraser with handpainted faces in three styles, two sitting poses and one standing. Six dozen erasers come in a 9" long by 7" wide by 3" deep blue cardboard box that the top opens on to become a display box. The box is illustrated with caricatures of the actual erasers. 1988 #8726

Pencils--Two different color pencils with two different style toppers. One top has ALF from the waist up and the other is ALF standing with his arms outstretched. One color is blue with "Hey, No Problem" and the other is red with "I'm A People Alien". The display is 5 1/4" diameter and 4" tall clear plastic tub with a dark blue label that has a drawing of ALF saying "Yo... ALF pencil with topper" 1988 #9723

Keychains...Hard plastic figures in the same 3 styles as the erasers with a gold colored chain and ring attached. The display stand is a white plastic covered wire rack with a light blue cardboard backing and an attached cardboard header that pictures ALF in a red convertible. It is 19" tall by 13" wide. It contains six dozen figural keychains on two rows of six hooks. 1988 #4410


Display stand variation--similar wire rack on a plastic base.





FUN WITH ALF





TRIVIA

WHAT KIND OF SPORTS CAR WAS ALF DRIVING WHEN HE CRASHED INTO THE TANNER'S GARAGE?
A PHLEGM 220

WHAT IS ALF'S FAVORITE PIG-OUT FOOD?
FAST FOOD FISH FILLETS, BECAUSE THEY TASTE LIKE CAL ICO CATS

FILL IN THE BLANK OF THE OFFICIAL ALF SAYINGS

1. HEY, NO _____! 2. LET'S HAVE A SNACK. YOU GOT A _____?
3. YOU'RE OKAY...FOR SOMEONE WITHOUT _____. 4. HEY, JUST _____.
5. YOU'RE OUT OF THIS _____. 6. ANYONE FOR A CHILI _____?
7. YOU REMIND ME OF SOMEONE I KNEW BACK ON _____.
8. A _____ FOR YOUR THOUGHTS. 9. _____ KITTY, KITTY, KITTY....
10. HOW ABOUT A _____ FOR THE OLD ALFER? 11. I'M A _____ ALIEN.
12. I'M STARVED. LET'S GO CHECK OUT THE OLD _____. 13. GIMME _____.
14. BE THERE OR BE _____. 15. I'M ONLY 232. I HAVEN'T HIT MY _____.

Official ALF Sayings Answers:
 1. PROBLEM 2. CAT 3. FUR 4. KIDDING 5. WORLD 6. CAT 7. MELMAC
 8. WHISKER 9. HERE 10. HUG 11. PEOPLE 12. FRIDGE 13. FOUR 14. SQUARE 15. PRIME

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CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____ COUNTRY: _____

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ALF SWAP!

FOR SALE OR TRADE:

Looking for that unique item of ALF? I have many great European ALF items from Germany. All items are licensed products. Write for my U.S. and European ALF lists:

Val Bendel, 4072 Tumbleweed Trail, Loves Park, IL 61111

ALF View Master Gift Set, MIB \$20; ALF IBM Party Kits by Box Office, MIB \$20; ALF episodes on video. For more info. please contact: Mr. Aneesh Sehgal, 3412 West 66th Street, Chicago, IL 60629.

For the largest ALF sale/trade list in this universe, write to: Tom Cannavo, 25 Arizona Ave., Jackson, NJ 08527

ALF Adult Halloween Mask with tag, Mint; Full Body Child's Halloween Suit, size large, Mint; "Celebrity Alien" Windshield Sun Blocker for car, Mint; Poster Pen Set #62074, Mint. Contact: Robert Gunter, 15 E. Kirby #417, Detroit, MI 48202

Large inventory of ALF items for sale. Call or write: Scott Brodnax, 225 Church St., Clover, SC 29710 Tel: (803)222-1066

This spot is reserved for you. Send in your want/trade or sell list, and we will print up to 25 words in each CAtegory.....

Please send your list to: ALFmeisters, c/o Val Bendel, 4072 Tumbleweed Trail, Loves Park, IL 61111-4390 - U.S.A. -

WANTED:

ALF skateboard, raincoat, & flashlight. Also, any ALF store displays or promotional items. Please write to: Val Bendel, 4072 Tumbleweed Trail, Loves Park, IL 61111

Hardcover books: "ALF Cools Off", "ALF Makes A Splash", "ALF Hides Out". Paul Donnelly, 192 Harrison St., Johnson City, NY, 13790-2625 or E-mail: ALFNUT@AOL.COM

ALF TV episodes on videotapes. Contact: Morton Nicholson, 3516 Patterson Ave. #5, Richmond, VA 23221

Someone to repair an ALF voicebox for the Wisecracking ALF. Also looking for an ALF doll or an extra working voicebox. Please contact: Ed Cruz, P.O. Box 691, Alamo, CA 94507 or E-mail: asapent@pacbell.net We Must Save ALF!

Any ALF Episodes of: ALF/ALFTALES HOUR, or ALFTALES on video with the original commercials. Also, any ALF toys, figures, or rare items. Please contact: Mr. Aneesh Sehgal, 3412 West 66th St., Chicago, IL 60629 Tel. (773) 476-7211

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2) Paul Kosik, 315 Center Street, Dupont, PA 18641
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