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## A Day In The Life:

Since landing on earth from the planet Melmac, ALF (aka Gordon Shumway) has found himself immersed in a celebrity status that few will ever experience. Although you know ALF as an extension of TV's Tanner Family, we thought you Mega Melmac fans would appreciate a special look into the real daily routine of your favorite Alien

### Wednesday, August 9, 1989

**6:30 a.m.** I awakened to a loud crashing sound. I didn't break anything, it's the ocean. The day began with a solitary jog on the beach. I love the ocean, and when I have time, I go for a swim. The only problem is that it takes a few days to get all of the seaweed out of my hair—sand in your pads isn't much fun either.

**7:30 a.m.** Sat down to my usual breakfast...2 dozen scrambled eggs, a pound of sausage, and assorted bagels with lox, cream cheese, peanut butter, jelly, bologna, bananas, and sweet pickles. Contrary to popular belief, I continue to refrain from eating my favorite breakfast dish, 1/2 a calico with fruit, due to heavy local opposition.

**9:30 a.m.** I arrived at the studio in my limousine, ready for rehearsal. I met with my producer, Paul Fusco. He's not a bad guy, as producers go, but he asks so many questions, like did I have a good weekend—that's none of his business.

**10:00 a.m.** Rehearsal was delayed. It seems someone played a practical joke...locking all the actors in their dressing rooms, so when the stage manager called for rehearsals, they couldn't get out. A childish prank...funny though! HA!

**11:30 a.m.** The locksmith left the studio and all of the actors were freed from their dressing rooms. For some reason, they all think I did it, but it was really the sandwich delivery guy—I was framed.

### 1:00 LUNCH

**2:00 p.m.** Fifteen hamburgers, two bags of potato chips, four chocolate milkshakes and some pudding in a shoe. BURP! Some people sleep after lunch, I act.

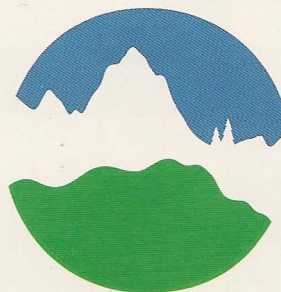
**6:00 p.m.** Rehearsal is over and tomorrow we'll be ready to tape the show. It's one where I get to show off both my comedic genius and dramatic flair. So what else is new?

**8:00 p.m.** Tonight is a gala "show biz" event. Everyone will be there...me, Cosby, Cher, Madonna, Roseanne, Tiffany, and everybody else with only one name. I get a little bored with these events, but it's important to keep a high profile in the Hollywood power circles. One day you're in, one day you're out, babe.

**9:30 p.m.** Time to hit the hay. Tomorrow, it's back to what I do best.....everything! HA! I kill me!



ALF: Not your average environmentalist!



## PROTECT OUR PLANET

There couldn't be a better spokesalien for an environmental protection campaign than someone from a planet that was destroyed. So, when ALF got the big call from Washington to spearhead the "Protect Our Planet/ Take Pride in America" effort to save our public lands, the Melmacian's answer was a resounding "YES".

"I know people expect me to be funny, cause on my show I'm funny, but this environmental stuff is real serious. Last summer, I took my first trip to the East Coast and I couldn't even swim off the Jersey shore because it was so polluted. Look it's like this, we all have to do what we can to "Protect Our Planet". This is really the best one in the solar system.....trust me, I'm well traveled."

## Speaking of Washington:

On July 24, 1989, ALF and ALIEN PRODUCTIONS were presented with a special presidential award to honor ALF's participation in the Department of the Interior's "Take Pride In America" campaign.

President Bush hosted the awards ceremony, which took place on the south lawn of the White House.

The goal of "Take Pride In America" is to encourage an attitude of responsibility toward public land and resources and to promote participation by individuals in caring for them.

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## We Get Letters. . .

My brother never misses your show or your cartoons. When you're not on, he cries and says, "Where ALF, where ALF?". I'm going to buy him an ALF doll for his next birthday...he'll be 37.

Stacy, Toowoomba, Australia

I'm writing this with lipstick, because they won't let me have anything sharp. I have some friends that come from another planet and I'm trying to get a message to one of them. Can you help? No one here seems to believe me.

Norma, Pleasantview Sanitarium

You're such a wonderful, kind soul. You have a charming wit and a dazzling smile and I have a 28 year old unmarried daughter...let's stay in touch. Did I mention that I make a spongecake you could die from?

Myrna, Medicine Hat, Alberta

I, like, liked the show, okay, where ALF had a chance to like go home but he decided to stay on this planet. I had like a similar experience but I couldn't remember what planet I was like from...okay?

Kiki, Manhattan Beach

## And We Get Even More Letters:

Dear ALF,

My little 8 year old brother is driving me crazy. All he talks about is you and your TV show. He has even started writing Melmacian months on his homework assignments. What should I do?

Desperate in Dallas

Yo Des!

*You should be thrilled, the kid's obviously a genius. On Melmac, I couldn't write the months until I was 96.*

Dear ALF,

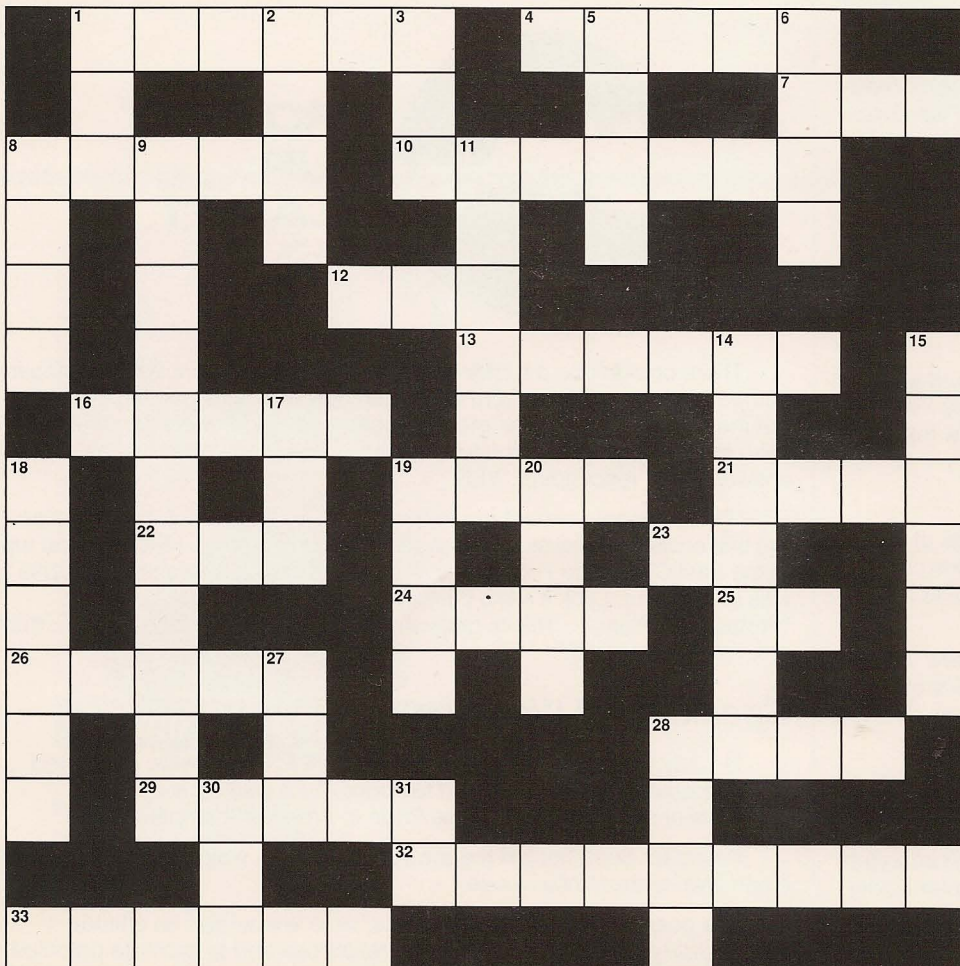
Do you floss your four teeth everyday?

Twyla from Bucktooth, Maine.

Yo Nosey,

*Most definitely. I use a four ply water-skiing rope for better coverage. But don't try that at home. I'm a trained professional. HA!*

## ALF's Crossword Puzzle



### Across

1. A planet.
4. \_\_\_\_\_ life form.
7. Alf is 232 years \_\_\_\_\_.
8. \_\_\_\_\_ Terrestrial Times
10. ALF lives with the \_\_\_\_\_.
12. Willie is Brian's \_\_\_\_\_.
13. ALF's girlfriend.
16. Brian's real name.
19. Trevor's nephew.
21. Kate sells \_\_\_\_\_ estate.
22. Hot \_\_\_\_\_.
23. \_\_\_\_\_ problem.
24. Rhonda.
25. A favorite ALF pastime.
26. Kate's son.
28. Myrna \_\_\_\_\_.
29. The Tanner cat.
32. The Tanner's nosey neighbors.
33. A frequent hangout.

### Down

1. Willie's real name.
2. Breakfast.
3. A Melmacian delicacy.
5. Kate's daughter.
6. ALF's schnoz
8. The newest Tanner.
9. Extra \_\_\_\_\_.
11. \_\_\_\_\_ Elson.
14. Kate's mother.
15. \_\_\_\_\_ and Kate Tanner.
17. Willie's \_\_\_\_\_ is in the social service.
18. Melmacian December.
19. ALF's blind date.
20. Lynn's mother
27. ALF's TV network.
28. In one episode ALF burnt Brian's history \_\_\_\_\_.
30. ALF lives in the \_\_\_\_\_.
31. A favorite ALF saying.



## Interview with Andrea and Benji

When Andrea Elson (Lynn Tanner) and Benji Gregory (Brian Tanner) returned for the fourth smash season of ALF, we met with them to ask them a few questions.

### 1. What is it like to work with ALF?

A: Always a challenge, he's quite a joker.

B: It's pretty cool. He can be a little obnoxious though.

### 2. What are some of your outside interests?

A: Outside is the key word. Since I'm inside all the time at the studio, I enjoy keeping busy outside. Winter is skiing time and summer is beach time. I love all sports.

B: Swimming, skateboarding, surfing and magic.

### 3. What types of fan mail do you get?

A: All kinds. Everything from kids that are too young to write for themselves to senior citizens who are too old to write for themselves....and everything in between.

B: Mostly girls. A lot of them send me their phone number and pictures. I'm not allowed to make long distance calls, so I don't call back. I feel badly about that, but mom's have rules, you know.

### 4. What do you do in your spare time?

A: I try to spend as much time as I can with my family and friends.

B: At work, I play with the pinball machine that Andrea gave the cast and crew for Christmas. I also play games like chess. I like reading a lot, but after work I usually skateboard with my friends, Sean, Ryan, Bodie and Jessie.

### 5. Besides ALF, what are your favorite TV shows?

A: "L.A. Law", "Cheers", "Married With Children", (I'm serious!) I don't really watch a lot of TV, but these are the shows I try to see.

B: "Wonder Years", "Roseanne", "Cops" and "Beyond Tomorrow"

### 6. What types of music do you listen to and who is your favorite singer?

A: I can't pinpoint any particular types of music, because it depends on my mood, but some of my favorites are: Elvis Costello, Bruce Springsteen and Billy Joel.

B: I like oldies: Buddie Holly, Richie Valens. My mom just bought a real funny tape of the Andrews Sisters. Things like Rum & Coca Cola and Seafood Mama. It's pretty cool!

### 7. What are some of your goals? (career and personal)

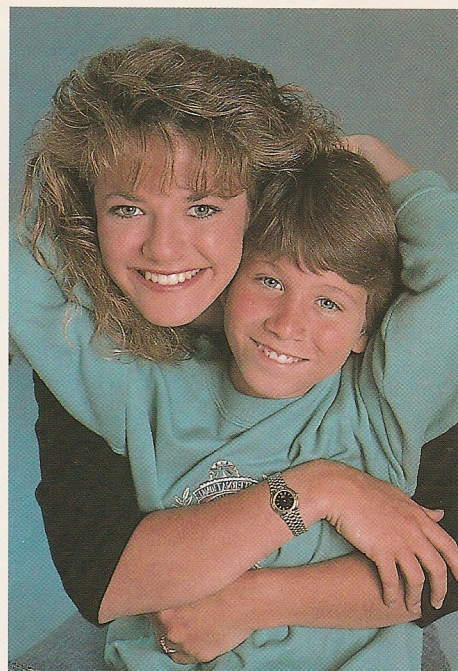
A: I plan to continue acting until I feel I have gained enough knowledge to direct. Then I'll be able to share what I've learned with other actors.

B: I'd like to keep acting and maybe get some real dramatic roles. I would also like to be a pro skateboarder.

### 8. Do you have any pets and what type?

A: I have a black Cocker Spaniel named Fred.

B: Yes, lots! A Keashound "Hanna"; A Pug, "Becket"; A Golden Retriever, "Honey"; A Chihuahua, "Spike"; 3 cats; 4 cockatiels; 1 Panamanian Red Parrot; 1 Red Lored Amazon Parrot; 1 Yellow Naped Amazon; 1 large Cockatoo and we also have a pond with lots of Koi (fish). They eat out of our hands.



Two of the three\* lovable Tanner kids

\* Look for pixs and info on the newest Tannerette (that's a small Tanner) in our next issue.

## Fan Club Update

When ALF received notice that his fan club had reached 35,000 members strong, he wept with Joy. (Joy is a woman from Pacoima who arranges ALF's bouillabaseball tournaments.) ALF gushed, "Boy, what an honor."

There are over 35,000 ALFanatics who are members of the Official Fan Club. ALF sends his thanks, his love and his recipe for pickled pepperoni pizza. "Order an extra large, extra cheese, extra pepperoni, then delicately cover with a full bottle of pickles. Sounds hideous, tastes stupendous!"

## The Shumway Family Tree

Bud Shumway - ALF's third cousin - was entered into the Melmacian book of records after he beat the long-standing record for skipping around a bucket of drool for seventeen hours, just to prove that it could be done.

Famed circus clown, Sprinkles Shumway was awarded the lifetime achievement award for his work in the circus, from 1902 to 1903. He was most noted for being able to balance a pig on his face, while he corrected spelling errors.

ALF's father, Bob, was the first Melmacian to gargle with lard in public. After the initial huff, Melmacians adopted the technique and Gargle With Lard Day became an annual holiday.

Hoover Shumway was Melmac's worst student. In 1954, he was suspended twelve times for smelling like Toast.

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Oddly enough, when Hoover finally graduated, he went on to become Melmac's leading scientist, in the field of brick swallowing.

In 1643, Sandra Shumway became the mayor of sector 17, on the north shores of Melmac. She ran with the promise of a cat in every pot and a turnip in every shoe.

### Crossword Answers

#### Across:

1. Melmac.
4. Alien.
7. Old.
8. Extra.
10. Tanners.
12. Dad.
13. Rhonda.
16. Benji.
19. Jake.
21. Real.

#### Down:

1. Max.
2. Meal.
3. Cat.
5. Lynn.
6. Nose.
8. Eric.
9. Terrestrial.
11. Andrea.
14. Dorothy.
15. Willie.
17. Job.
18. Fibble.
19. Jodi.
20. Kate.
27. NBC.
28. Book.
30. USA.
31. Yo.

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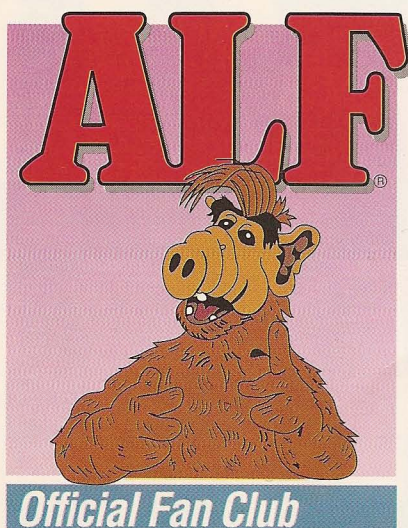
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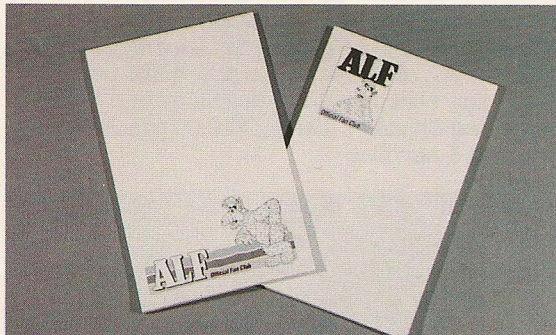
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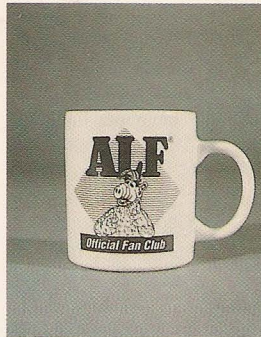
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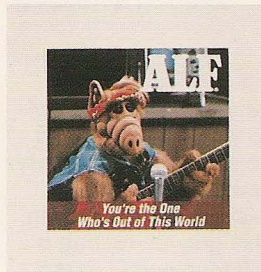
Go skiing Melmac style with the Official **Alien Ski Team Cap**. Made of sturdy white corduroy with the ski team logo embroidered directly into the cap. \$9.00 plus \$1.50 shipping &



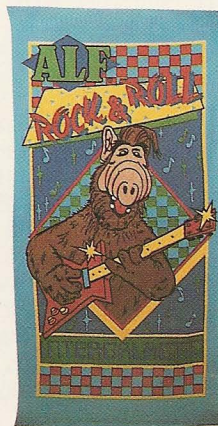
When ALF leaves notes and messages for the Tan-ners, he does it with his own personalized **Note Paper**. Four pads of 50 sheets featuring two different designs. Black on white paper. \$5.00 plus \$1.50 shipping & handling.



Your morning coffee or cocoa (or milk, even) is a lot more cheerful with ALF smiling at you from this 10 ounce **Official Fan Club Coffee Mug**. White with black printing. \$5.50 +\$1.00 shipping & handling.



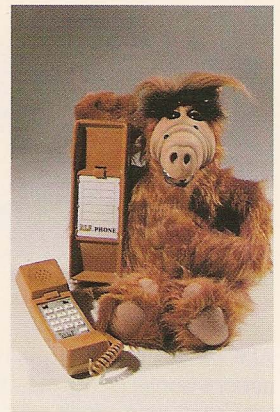
The ALF Fan Club has produced a **45 rpm record** that's sure to take the country by storm, with "**You're The One Who's Out of This World**," from ALF's rock video episode on side 1, and the "**Theme from ALF**" on the flip side. \$2.50 plus \$1.50 shipping.



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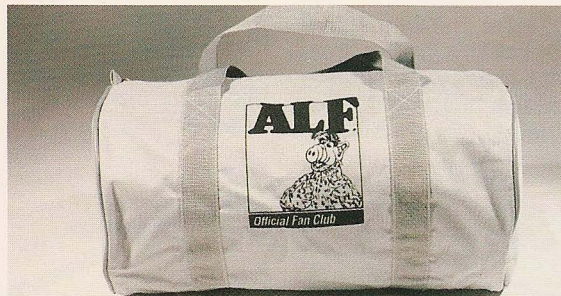


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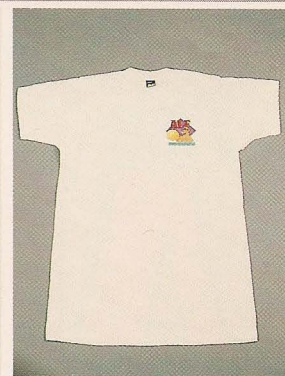
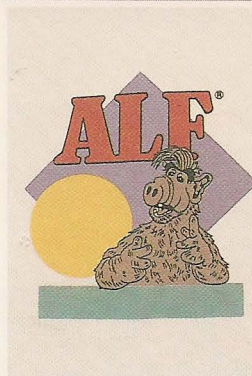


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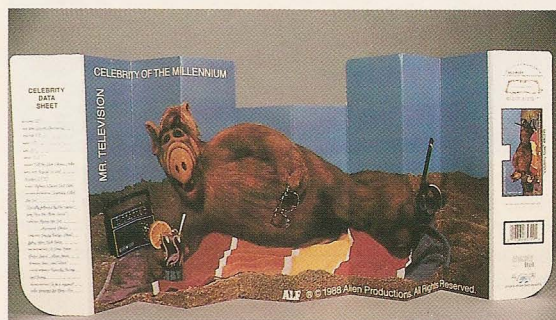
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