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ALAMO LIAISON SQUADRON NEWSLETTER

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ALS Fall Dinner A Hit!

On November 4th at the Lackland AFB Gateway Club, the Alamo Liaison Squadron held its annual fall dinner. There were longtime members and supporters totaling 45 in attendance. Nelda Etheredge played the harp and serenaded the crowd as everyone enjoyed a great meal. A slide show of this year's past events was presented by squadron leader, Ron Dennis and as usual, Tiny Trenda provided humor for the crowd and got the "Joke Telling" started. Many folks stayed to enjoy the company and camaraderie while listening to some light 40's era music. Many lauded the dinner as one of the best! (See the pictures on next page.)

Elections Approach

December 31st has been selected as the annual elections day for the ALS Board of Directors. Elections will be held at 10:00 AM in the Cannon Field Briefing Room and all regular members are encouraged to participate. As you know, the board consists of five members selected for a one-year term. If you are interested in running for a position, please contact the elections committee chairman, Baylor Randle. Positions include Squadron Leader, Secretary, Treasurer and two additional members. The board of directors is responsible for the daily operations of the Alamo Liaison Squadron and also

responsible for maintaining the museum's assets. It is a great opportunity to serve the squadron and keep alive the memory of the Liaison Pilots. If you have not served in the past, we hope you will consider running for a position. There's always a lot of work to be done.

Safety Caution for Cannon Field Entrance

Have you been to Cannon Field lately? As you know, Toyota's new plant is less than five miles directly north of the field and the road construction has been heavy, to say the least. Our geography from the air looks a lot different than before. The east entrance to the field now has a turn lane off from Loop 1604, which is meant for traffic turning onto Applewhite Road. Please use caution when making the turn to enter the field as the entrance is very obscured by the mounds of dirt and signs. It is suggested that you use the west entrance until grading and construction in the area is complete. Once the Department of Transportation has completed the project, four lanes will run directly in front of the property. This of course means more traffic and hazards once production starts at Toyota. (See the pictures on the next page.)

Participation and Fly-Overs Up for 2005!

As you know, one of our objectives this year was to get the squadron involved in as many fly-overs and events as possible. To this end, it is worthy to note that the ALS planes participated in the following: Uvalde in March, Heritage in March, Kingsbury in May,

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Fredricksburg on July 4th, Pleasanton in August, and Devine's Fall Festival in November. I would like to thank all of the ALS pilots who participated and helped to achieve this goal. Flying formation and displaying the aircraft give the ALS recognition and upholds our image and by-laws. Some of the pictures below were take during these events.

Photo Gallery



From Top to Bottom:
*Preparing Wing for Cover
* ALS Fall Dinner
* ALS Fall Dinner
* "Through the Inversion Layer" - Formation flight to Devine



From Top to Bottom:

- * New Intersection at Cannon Field
- * Turn Lane Into Field
- * Flight to Devine in formation
- * New Drain at West Gate
- * New Electric Pump and Fuel Tank Cover

Around Cannon Field

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

The ALS Board of Directors would like to wish each and every member a wonderful holiday season... As you travel, please remember to be safe and to be cognizant of your surroundings. Let's remember those of us that are in ill health and keep them in our prayers.

NEW FUEL PUMP SAVES ELBOW FATIGUE!

For those of us that fly regularly and fuel up at Cannon Field, there is a new elbow saving device at the fuel pump. Thanks to Henry Whitmore, his little elf Alton Kenne, Richard Roberts, Casey Fox, Tommie Thompson and Gene Jensen, we now have a solar powered electric pump, which can be operated by one person. Many remember the old crank handle to get the fuel flowing and the need for a second person to hold the handle on the nozzle. Well halleluiah! Those days are gone. Thanks guys for a job well done! (See Photos)

HOUSE GETS NEW PAINT!

Thanks to Ron Powell and Allen Powell from the Southlake Flyers for giving the Cannon Field House occupied by Gene and Sami Jensen a new face-lift. They scraped, pressure washed, primed and painted the entire outside facia and soffet areas. Sure Looks Good!

NEW TIN HORN AND DRAINAGE

Thanks to the Gib Powell, Alton Kenne, and the Southlake RC Flyers for installing a new tin horn and drainage at the west gate. Lot's of digging and sweat went into the project...

ANNUAL DUES FOR ALS

As you can tell, we have been busy around Cannon Field with lots of projects. These of course take money and donated time and effort. **Please use the enclosed envelope to mail your 2006 Annual Membership Dues to the Alamo Liaison Squadron. (\$100)** Remember, all donations are tax deductible and are greatly appreciated. Any donations above the annual membership fee will certainly help us to continue to carry on the ALS mission. Thanks in advance for your continued support!