



NEWSBRIEFS

School recognized

Jose Damian Elementary School has been listed in the December 2007 issue of *Texas Monthly* for the third year in a row among the top public schools in Texas. The list is compiled by the National Center for Educational Accountability (formerly Just for the Kids), which analyzed student test results for the past three years as the basis for this ranking. Students at the elementary schools that are included on the list performed better, across all grades, on the Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills (TAKS) test than did their counterparts at other school around the state.

San Eli breakfast

The San Elizario Independent School District invites local businesses and organizations to its Partners in Education (PIE) Welcome Back and Recruitment Breakfast to be held on Dec. 18 at 9:00 a.m. Come learn more about the San Elizario Independent School District and how you can become a Partner in Education. For more information about the PIE Welcome Back and Recruitment Breakfast, contact Cynthia P. Marentes, Communications Officer at 872-3939 ext. 3511 or by e-mail at cmarentes@seisd.net.

Luminarias

The San Elizario Genealogy and Historical Society will sponsor the annual Luminarias and Posadas on Saturday, Dec. 15 at 6:00 p.m. The traditional event features hundreds of luminarias that will light up the San Elizario Mission, the Plazita and the surrounding areas. The traditional Posada re-enacts the journey of the Holy Family as they seek an Inn to welcome them. After the Posada, a Christmas pageant will follow accompanied by traditional Christmas songs and a live manger scene. Traditional foods will be available: tamales, menudo, champurrado, hot chocolate and coffee.

In other news

■ The annual Horizon City Christmas parade being sponsored by the Eastlake Lions club in conjunction with the town of Horizon City will be held this Saturday and starts at 10 a.m. This year's parade will host over 70 organizations and 1,100 participants from all over El Paso County. There many added features and surprises have been added that will surely make this years parade the largest parade in El Paso County other than the Sunbowl Parade according to organizers. Spectators are asked to arrive early because many streets will be closed before the parade. The review stand will be across the street from Pepperoni's on Horizon Blvd. The parade will start on North Kenazo (by Horizon Middle School) and go south to Horizon Blvd. and turn right (west). The route will continue on Horizon Blvd. to Darrington

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When you have to swallow your own medicine, the spoon seems very large.
— Quips & Quotes

Socorro ISD teacher, Barragan, receives national award

By Irma Flores
Special to the Courier

An El Dorado math teacher has joined an elite group of teachers in the United States. Candelario Barragan was presented a \$25,000 check in a surprise assembly at the campus on Dec. 4. The check is part of the Milken Family Foundation's

National Educator Award and Barragan may spend the money any way he wishes.

Barragan was stunned after hearing his name at an assembly that included SISD Board Trustees and other local dignitaries as well as representatives from the Texas Education Agency and Milken Foundation. When he got down to the floor he told the crowd, "I have no words. It's a big honor. I'm speechless. I never ex-

pected this." Barragan thanked his mother, who is in the hospital with cancer, for teaching him how to live his life with passion. "It's fun to get paid to do what you love!"

Barragan is one of about 75 educators nationwide being recognized this year with the Milken Award, which is designed to honor and reward exemplary teachers. Only 3 other teachers in Texas received the award this year.

"Mr. Barragan is an outstanding example of the caring and commitment demonstrated by our teachers every day in the classroom here in Socorro," said SISD Superintendent Dr. Sylvia P. Atkinson. "He is a wonderful role model for our students. He deserves this award."

This is the second time a teacher in Socorro ISD has received this award. No other El Paso Schools have yet had a Milken Educator. In October of 2001, Socorro High School teacher Mary Melendez received the award and the \$25,000 check. It changed her life.

"You realize that what you're doing is making a difference and that others on a national level recognize it," said Melendez. "All of a sudden, you're in the limelight and you're a spokesperson for education. Through networking with other Milken Educators, you start looking at education in a global sense."

Dubbed the "Oscars of Teaching" by Teacher Magazine, the Milken National Educator Awards were created in 1985 to reward, retain and attract the highest caliber professionals to our nation's schools.

"We are proud of Mr. Barragan receiving this national recognition," said SISD Board President Charles E. Garcia. "This just proves once again the quality of teaching in Socorro ISD is among the best in the country."

Barragan, who is 32 years old, grew up in a family of migrant farm workers. He worked in the fields alongside his family members before riding the bus to school and graduated as valedictorian of Bowie High School and graduated cum laude with a degree in math from The University of Texas at El Paso.

He was El Dorado's Teacher of the Year in 2006-2007. Barragan also teaches at El Paso Community College and tutors his high school students after class and on Saturdays. He is a favorite among students, partly because he has been known to sing, dance and tell jokes at school assemblies and in class.

"Students just love him," said El Dorado Principal Nora Paugh. "He is a great teacher. Our enrollment in calculus has increased because of him. We have students on a waiting list for calculus because they know once he has them in class, he will do whatever it takes to teach them."

Dr. Jane Foley, Senior Vice President of the Milken Educator Awards announced the award to a packed gymnasium filled with excited students and faculty, "Teachers have the most important jobs in the community. They are entrusted with the responsibility of preparing you for the future. There are 3 million teachers across the U.S. and today we are here honoring one of four teachers in Texas." Foley explained that research has shown that the single most important school-based factor driving student performance is the quality of the teacher in the classroom. The most effective teachers produce as much as five times the learning gains of the least effective teachers.

Since its inception, the Milken Educator Awards have recognized more than 2,300 educators. Barragan will be recognized by the Texas Education Agency and then attend a major gala with other Milken Award winners next spring.



— Photo by Stacy Kendrick/SISD

MILKEN AWARD WINNER — El Dorado teacher, Candelario Barragan (center), is congratulated by students Eirick Allen (left) and Anthony Lopez (right).

Lower Valley residents fight to keep pipeline out of their communities

By Don Woodyard
Courier Staff Writer

SAN ELIZARIO — The residents of San Elizario and other Lower Valley communities want to prevent history from repeating itself and stop another pipeline from snaking across their farm lands.

Against this background, approximately 35 people gathered in the San Elizario ISD boardroom last Saturday afternoon to express their opposition to the proposed pipeline which would roughly parallel another line that weathered strong opposition about 10 years ago and was constructed. The proposed new line, like the old, would pass close to San Elizario High School and then cross into Mexico.

County Commissioner Miguel Teran was the primary speaker at the Saturday meeting. He emphasized the importance of working together to defeat the plan. "We have said 'no' twice," Teran said, referring to previous votes by Commissioners Court in opposition to the plan proposed by PMI Holdings North America, Inc., a licensed U.S. corporation that is owned by the Mexican oil giant, PEMEX.

Teran indicated that PMI would be coming back on Dec. 17 to Commissioners Court to again ask for approval for their plan. He urged all residents to come in large numbers to that meeting to show not only other commissioners, but PMI as well, their strong opposition to the proposal.

By showing solidarity, he continued, it is hoped that the company would seek a path of less resistance. That alternative path would be longer and several miles to the east, but it would take it through less populated areas to the border.

The company's present proposal would take it from the Longhorn Pipeline gas farm near the intersection of Zaragosa Road and Montana Avenue through Homestead Meadows and Montana Vista, along Ascension Road and down to the border.

"When we get together, we can get things done," exhorted Teran who reminded residents of previous times when communities have come together in successful opposition to achieve better services, such as parks and roads.

"We can do something."

In an earlier County Courier story, Jim Ivey, Jr., a landowner and one of the opposition leaders, underscored that something can indeed be done. In reference to the last vote by Commissioners Court, he said that opposition caught PMI "flatfooted," that there wouldn't be such organized opposition.

Other opposition is coming from the board of trustees of the San Elizario ISD. Several members attended the Saturday pipeline meeting. Indications were that the board would approve a resolution in opposition to the pipeline at its Dec. 12 meeting.

Standing with those in opposition is State Rep. Chente Quintanella.

Robert Grijalva, Quintanella's chief of staff, spoke of another route to block the pipeline. That means is that the pipeline requires a Presidential Permit. In the past, Grijalva points out, the granting of the permit has "pretty much automatic." However, he says there is a "possibility" that it could be approved, but they have to prove it is in our national interest to do so.

Grijalva says a file has been opened at the Department of Energy with objections to approval of the permit. He adds that he is in

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One perspective

By Francis Shrum

Both ways

We like to have it both ways but it usually doesn't turn out that way. We even have a witty little saying that we use to describe this concept: "You can't have your cake and eat it, too." But somehow we just keep trying.

When this nation was rocked to its very foundations by the horrific events that took place on the flawlessly beautiful morning of September 11, 2001, we were ready to do anything and everything necessary to bring to justice those responsible and to ensure that such a horrendous thing never happened again.

As is the case with most emotionally-charged situations, we began to think a little more clearly a few days down the road, after the wreckage, rocks, rubble and body parts had been removed.

Nowadays, we are well on our way to thinking about something else more pleasant. Besides, we're fast coming up on another presidential election when politicians everywhere are intent on trying to please everybody, which is impossible so they wind up pleasing no one at all.

That brings us to the CIA, FBI and other such organizations that societies create to protect themselves. They are intended to do all kinds of despicable things in the dark, out of sight, cloak and dagger. We hire them to do the dirty work but not such dirty work that it may leak out and frighten the children.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation was founded in 1908, the Central Intelligence Agency in 1947. The FBI has upwards of 30,000 employees including special agents and a \$6-billion-plus budget. The CIA is so secretive that they don't disclose either the number of their employees

or their budget. You can visit FBI headquarters, the CIA does not conduct public tours of its facilities.

As you can see, the CIA is an improved version of the FBI for what their purpose is.

Our intelligence agencies have been intimately involved in so many conflicts and potential conflicts over the past near-century that we will never know about them all, nor would we want to.

As the CIA's mission statement so eloquently puts it: "We are the nation's first line of defense. We accomplish what others cannot accomplish and go where others cannot go."

Since 9/11, both agencies have been on the front-lines of counter-terrorism and, like all battle fronts, the scene isn't pretty. War is a cruel, ugly, dirty business. You can't be involved in it without engaging in just such behavior. To say or expect it to be otherwise is simply a lie.

In other words, you can't have it both ways.

In the bloody aftermath of the destruction of the Twin Towers, the CIA got their hands on some people they believed were members of al-Qaida. They did what they had to do. You don't sit down with terrorists, pour them a cup of tea and expect them to give you information. These are folks who will blow up you, your kids and themselves in an effort to achieve the highest possible number of casualties.

The interrogations, sometime in 2002, were captured on video tape, to document the methods and the information retrieved as a result, according to CIA Director Michael Hayden. Unfortunately, they weren't pretty pictures.

By 2005, the forces of public and political opinion were quickly back-

pedaling from the national fervor that swept the nation post-9/11. The anger was subsiding and as Afghanistan and Iraq began to take a toll on our sons and daughters, Americans started getting a bellyful of that war stuff.

Ever intelligent, the CIA did the wisest thing possible — they got rid of the tapes. Now they are on the Congressional hotseat, accused of "obstructing justice."

It's an age-old story — we want ugly things to be fixed in a lovely manner. We want to do evil but look good.

I once read a book entitled *Soldier's Guide to the Laws of War* as part of a political science class. Published in 1969, it is all about having it both ways — how you can actually go into the killing fields and take other human lives but do it in such a way that is legal, fair, upstanding, even compassionate.

Oddly enough, compassion is one of the words the FBI uses to describe its organization's core values.

Our covert boys are used to the Congressional hotseat. It appears highly unlikely anyone will be prosecuted, especially since the CIA made many a gentle Congressman and woman happy by telling them that Iran wasn't really building a nuclear weapon after all.

When that front explodes again, and it will, the FBI and the CIA will be right there doing the dirty work.

And America will go on believing the lie that we can have it both ways.



Por la Gente

By State Rep. Chente Quintanilla

Pipeline needs new route

Hola, mi gente.

Many of you are familiar with a pipeline issue that has developed in East El Paso County. PMI, a member company of Petroleos Mexicanos (PEMEX), is adamant about laying a pipeline through areas that I believe are inappropriate. I also believe that the best alternative is to divert the pipeline away from the planned communities. Unfortunately, PMI refuses to consider any other route.

The pipeline route starts out perilously close to the Montana Vista homesteads and continues directly in front of other homes along Ascension; it actually will lie feet from the only medical clinic in the area. The route then continues too close to San Elizario and it also cuts through farmland that has been tilled by American farmers for decades. Throughout the route, the pipeline will be a potential disaster; one that will endanger school children being bussed to school.

To me, there is a simple solution that will satisfy everyone's concerns: lay the pipeline farther east along the county line. Far east El Paso county is devoid of population areas; and there are no school buses in the same uninhabited land. This is the option of least impact on El Paso county residents; and it allows PMI to lay the pipeline much more quickly without protest.

To PMI and PEMEX, that option is too expensive. My office, the County of El Paso, the school districts

in the area, the water districts in the area and the farmers and residents are all fighting the big oil company. They may have the advantage, but won't prevail without a fight on our part.

Basically, all the pipeline does is to transport gasoline through Texas land for use in Mexico that PEMEX (a corporation based in Mexico) purchases in Europe. I feel very angry that PEMEX is allowed to endanger families and students and to take possession of farmlands all for the benefit of PEMEX corporate profits. I have asked Senators Hutchison and Cornyn, Congressmen Reyes and Rodriguez and the entire legislative delegation to support those most impacted. So far, both Congressmen and the legislative delegations have done so. The senators have not.

If you would like to show your support for the families and farmers of East El Paso county, send me a letter at: 120 N. Horizon Blvd, Suite 112A, 79927. I will include any comments with the material we are sending to Washington.

I shall do my best to redirect the pipeline. I understand, however, that we are fighting a multinational oil company which has a lot of money for lawyers to quash our concerns. That same money could very easily lay the pipeline farther east. For the families' sake, for the students' sake, for the farmers' sake, I pray that we prevail.

Gracias, mi gente, and I remain your friend and public servant, Chente for la gente.

Briefs

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Rd. where it will turn right (north) and travel to Ryderwood where it will disband at Ensor Middle School.

■ The Texas Department of State Health Services is urging Texans who will be traveling during the upcoming holidays to get a flu shot to protect themselves and reduce the spread of the respiratory illness. Flu shots are recommended for people ages 6 months and older whether they will be traveling or not. The flu vaccine also is available in nasal spray form for healthy people ages 2 years through 49 years who are not pregnant. People wanting the flu vaccine should contact their health care provider about availability or call 2-1-1, a health and human services information service. Flu vaccine locations also can be found online at www.211Texas.org. The flu vaccine takes about two weeks to reach maximum effectiveness.

■ The Canutillo High School (CHS) Music Department will hold a special music celebration with the sounds of the season at 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, Dec. 18, at the CHS auditorium, 6675 South Desert Boulevard. Performances will include numbers from CHS Band, CHS Dance Team, CHS Choir, and the Canutillo Middle School Choir. The CHS student guitar band, which was started this school year, will perform for the first time in front of an audience of parents, staff, students, and community members. Admission is free to the public. For more information, call 877-7812.

■ Crime Stoppers of El Paso is assisting the El Paso Police Department in locating two offenders who robbed a beauty supply store in northeast El Paso with a handgun, making this the "Crime of the Week." About 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 1, the two suspects entered Sally's Beauty Supply at 8500 Dyer displaying a handgun and demanding money from the cash registers. The clerk complied

and handed over an undisclosed amount of money to the suspects, who fled eastbound through the shopping center. The first suspect is described as an Hispanic male, 5-foot 7 or 8-inches tall, 19 to 22 years of age, wearing all black clothing and a stocking over his face. He held a black, semi-automatic "square type" handgun with some damage to the front of the barrel. He spoke Spanish with some broken English. The second suspect is either Hispanic or African-American, in his early twenties, 5-foot 2 or 3-inches tall, medium build, wearing a thick black jacket and dark clothing, and with a thicker stocking over his face. He appeared to have a tattoo on the left side of his neck. He was possibly wearing a Chicago Bulls jacket, or something similar with the colors of red, black and white. If you have any information at all about this case, please call Crime Stoppers of El Paso at 566-TIPS (8477) or submit your tip online at www.crimestoppersofelpaso.org. You will be anonymous and you may earn a cash reward if your tip leads to an arrest.

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Vick goes from the dog house to the big house

By Steve Escajeda
Special to the Courier

In this day and age when money can buy you out of just about any scrape you’re dumb enough to get into, it’s great to see that once in a great while — justice prevails.

Of course, I’m talking about the 23 months in the slammer given to Michael Vick this week for his despicable actions toward defenseless animals.

In what was a big surprise to me, Judge Henry E. Hudson didn’t fall for all the celebrity hype and sentenced Vick accordingly.

And no one (though some morons will) can accuse Hudson of being too harsh on Vick either. He could have sentenced the former Atlanta Falcons quarterback to as many as five years for his involvement in a dogfighting ring.

In case any of you need reminding, Vick put up the money to hold illegal dogfighting events on his property in Virginia.

That’s bad enough, but once it was learned that Vick helped kill several underperforming pit bulls by drowning, electrocuting and hanging them, his goose was cooked.

And speaking of underperforming, I wonder if Vick would like to be treated the same way after a three-interception afternoon.

What makes me especially sad is the amount of people who still supported Vick after he admitted his indiscretions. How out of touch do you have to be, to back a guy who either kills dogs for sport, or gets enjoyment out of watching them kill each other?

Just because a person can throw a football, hit a fastball, or dribble a basketball, doesn’t give them the right to break the law, though today’s society of idol worship is really clouding the differences between right and wrong.

So good for the judge who didn’t succumb to the pressures of “letting of” the selfish rich athlete. It’s time for everyone to get back to reality and remember that we are all human beings and should be held to the same standard — no matter how big the wallet.

NFL in denial

There’s nothing like being able to make the right decision when you have that old reliable friend — hindsight — at your side.

After all, like they say, hindsight is 20-20. In other words, now that you’ve had time to sit

back, study and evaluate the situation, the facts will always come through.

And that’s always true, except for the NFL officiating bosses.

Remember all the controversial calls in that New England Patriots-Baltimore Ravens game? Remember when the Patriots were stopped by the Ravens, but got chance after chance to win that game — until they finally did.

Everyone watching the game, including Patriots’ quarterback Tom Brady, knew they had received the benefit of some less-than-stellar calls by the refs.

Well, everybody except for NFL senior vice president of officiating, Mike Pereira, who said that every call the referees made during that game was correct.

Gee, so much for objectivity.

I know it’s tough to admit your crew has made a mistake, but don’t insult every fan’s intelligence by saying that all the calls were good. Say they were too inconclusive or that the screen under the ref’s clocked monitor was fuzzy.

Say anything, but don’t make a claim that is so obviously untrue.

The biggest problem I had is when Pereira said the touchdown catch by New England’s Jabbar Gaffney to win the game was legal. How can anyone say that catch was legal?

Since I was an itty bitty football fan, the officials have always checked to make sure a player had complete possession of the football with both feet in bounds.

It was obvious, through slow-motion replay, that Gaffney was still bobbling the ball when his feet were in bounds, he didn’t gain full control until he was well out of bounds.

Officials have always called that an incompletion. But for some unfathomable reason, Pereira said he didn’t see anything wrong with the call.

He’s probably convinced the Earth is still flat and that parts of the moon are made up of sharp cheddar.

I’ve got a slight complaint with an official getting a bang-bang play wrong of the field.

I’ve got an argument with a replay official getting the same call wrong after he’s gone under the hood.

But I have absolutely no tolerance whatsoever for an administrative official with no backbone, who backs both calls if they were clearly wrong.

Pipeline

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touch with the offices of the state’s two U.S. senators, Kay Bailey Hutchison and John Cornyn, urging them to oppose this approval.

One of the objections voiced Saturday came from Jim Ivey, Sr. His concern was the risk of leaks from the pipeline and contamination to the water table which is close to the surface in the San Eli area. A reason for his concern was that pipeline officials had indicated they’d put the pipeline 20 feet beneath the surface, rather than six, to answer safety issues. That depth would put it into the area’s water table, Ivey and others say.

To this end, Antonio Araujo, former SEISD board president who attended the meeting, spoke of the importance of an environmental assessment before a determination is made.

“The people of San Elizario need to come together,” Araujo says.

According to an article by Erica Molina in Tuesday’s El Paso Times, PMI is willing to make additional concessions in order to get approval from commissioners.

According to Molina’s story, “Among the concessions are rerouting the pipeline away from structures to between 100 feet and 600 feet, an increase from the required minimum of 50 feet, burying the pipeline 50 feet in some areas, an increase over the three-foot required minimum, and using strengthened pipeline material rated

for higher than what is required.”

Molina added, “If the court decides to allow the company to use the county’s right of way, the county can still formally oppose PMI’s application for a presidential permit, which is required before work can move forward.”

The senior Ivey brought up another point, political rather than environmental in nature. He cited reported terroristic actions by Marxist Zapatistas in damaging the PEMEX pipeline system in Mexico. He is concerned about carryover actions against PEMEX pipelines in the United States. “We don’t need terrorists along the border,” he says.

“They are sacrificing lives for profit,” says Yolanda Luevano who attended the Saturday.

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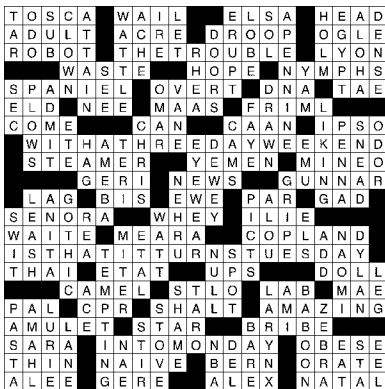
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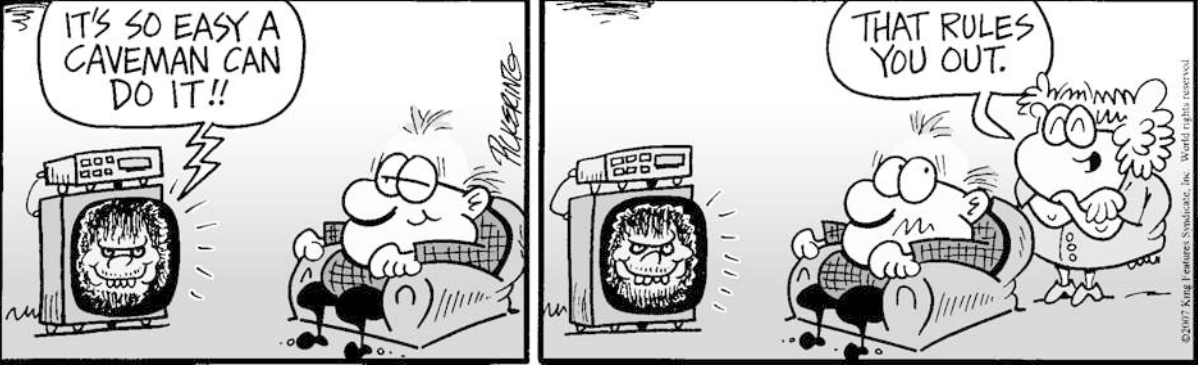
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If you don't like this universe, there are more

By Don Flood

Scientists now say the universe may weigh less than previously thought, perhaps as much as 20 percent less, which is quite remarkable, especially when considering various factors such as Ted Kennedy and Barry Bonds.

But I can't help wondering whether the universe has really slimmed down, or is it like one of those pathetic movie stars who drop a few pounds with Slim-Fast or WeightWatchers, only to binge again when they think no one is looking.

The story, interestingly enough, did not include any before and after pictures of the universe wearing a bikini, which is what most diet companies offer as proof, so my guess here is that the science is less than rock solid.

In other news about the Advance of Sciences comes word that a mathematical discovery at Oxford University suggests that not only do parallel universes exist, but that there are an infinite number of them.

I had thought parallel universes were basically a plot device invented for shows like "Star Trek." (You could tell when you were watching the parallel universe because Mr. Spock wore a beard, facial hair being far more popular in other universes.)

Here's how the theory was explained in an actual news article:

"A motorist who has a near miss, for instance, might feel relieved at his lucky escape. But in a parallel universe, another version of the same driver will have been killed. Yet another universe will see the motorist recover after treatment in hospital. The number of alternative

scenarios is endless."

You're not kidding, this is endless. You've got enough possibilities here to keep the "Star Trek" franchise going until the year Capt. James T. Kirk is born.

(Kirk's birth is scheduled for March 22, 2233 in Riverside, Iowa, where — and this is true — the future birthday is celebrated each year. Hopefully, the local chamber of commerce is forward-thinking enough to make plans for other tourist attractions should the historic birth not pan out.)

With this many universes you couldn't possibly keep track of Mr. Spock, no matter how many facial-hair scenarios he employed. He'd be forced to try new hairdos as well, including Mohawks.

Or to put it another way, if you think about stopping for donuts and then decide you don't need the calories, you can be assured that in a parallel universe, another version of you stopped and stuffed his face.

From a scientific perspective, my question is, is this Parallel Me putting on weight? Or is he one of those lucky guys who can eat like a pig and not show it?

If so, that is so unfair. I guess that's what bothering me, not that in another universe a Parallel Me may be eating donuts or wearing a mullet — though that's pretty frightening — but that another version of me may be having more fun.

But I also realize that in another universe, you might not have bothered to read this column, so thank you, dear readers, no matter what universe you may inhabit.

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King Super Crossword

- TIME WARP ACROSS**

1 Puccini heroine

6 Keen

10 Actress

Lanchester

14 Be in charge

18 Fully developed

19 Farm measure

20 Sag

21 Inspect too closely?

22 Automaton

23 Start of a remark by Doug Larson

25 Sue of "Lolita"

26 Squander

28 Clinton's hometown

29 Woodland deities

31 Sporting dog

34 Manifest

36 Heredity letters

37 _ kwon do

38 Antiquity, archaically

39 Born

40 "Serpico" author

41 "The Donkey Serenade" composer

43 " _ September" ('61 film)

45 Fire

46 James of "Misery"

47 _ facto

51 Part 2 of remark

58 Kind of clam

59 Dhamar's locale
- 60 "Rebel Without a Cause" actor

61 Rocker Halliwell

62 "Man bites dog," e.g.

63 Myrdal or Nelson

64 Fall behind

67 Encore exclamation

68 Flock female

69 Norm

71 Move, with "about"

72 Spanish title

74 "... some curds and _"

75 Tennis pro

Nastase

77 Ralph of "The Waltons"

78 Stiller's partner

80 "Appalachian Spring" composer

84 Part 3 of remark

88 Siamese

89 Coup d' _

90 Good times

91 Chucky, for one

93 Yellowish brown

95 WWII site

97 Room for research

100 Ginnie _

101 Friend

104 EMT's skill

105 Commandment word

106 Remarkable

108 Talisman

110 Galaxy glitterer
- 111 Buy off

112 Writer Paretsky

113 End of remark

117 Too heavy

121 Mix with water

122 Inexperienced

123 European capital

124 Talk really big

125 Away from the wind

126 Richard of "Intersection"

127 Rocker Van Halen

128 Birth-related

DOWN

1 Pitch

2 "Deep Space Nine" role

3 Fill in

4 Circus performer

5 Reach

6 Fowl feature

7 Feel sore

8 Wrath

9 Permit

10 Act like Etna

11 Stud site

12 Impresario Hurok

13 Italy's _ Mountains

14 Celeste or Ian

15 Tut's turf

16 Maui greeting

17 Obtuse

20 "Light My Fire" rockers

24 Big bird

27 "I told you so!"
- 30 Tasty tuber

31 Wine word

32 Deere things

33 Fess up

34 Poet Khayyam

35 Windmill part

36 _ butter

41 Actress Dunaway

42 Fondness

44 Printemps follower

45 Comic Elliott

46 Machine parts

48 Neighbor of 116

Down

49 "Slammin' Sam"

50 Bouquet

52 Crone

53 Simple life form

54 Garr of "Mr. Mom"

55 Glasses

56 Loser to Truman

57 Big bird

62 Jawaharlal's jacket

63 Bellyache

64 Terrier tether

65 A Pointer sister

66 Like Notre Dame

69 Early Brits

70 Baseball family name

72 "M*A*S*H" Emmy winner

73 Actor Stephen

74 Power unit

76 Urban transport

78 Carpenter's corner

79 List ender
- 81 Postfix

82 Cover girl

Campbell

83 Poet Thomas

85 Seductive

86 Without value

87 Detect

92 Triangle part

94 Tennis term

95 Ignominy

96 Starch source

97 It's down in the mouth

98 " _ Blue?" ('29 song)

99 Zoo attraction

101 It's tossed with sauce

102 Menotti title character

103 Novelist Alison

105 Place for pots

107 Striped sprinter

109 Path

110 Move a bit

111 Unadorned

114 Dundee denial

115 Hoopsters' org.

116 Newark's st.

118 Put away a pastry

119 Police hdqrs.

120 Sniggler's quarry

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