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## Parking Announcement

The Bryan High School Vikings and the A&M Consolidated Tigers will play at Kyle Field on Thursday, Nov. 9 at 7:30 p.m. The estimated attendance for the game is 20,000. The excitement for the cross-town rivalry is expected to be high.

Residence hall students are not required to move their vehicles from the parking lots around Kyle Field for the high school game, but remember the Aggies will be playing at home on Saturday!

For residence hall students who would like to move vehicles from Kyle Field on Thursday, parking for red permits will be authorized through the weekend, including Friday, in the following commuter lots adjacent to Reed Arena — PA 97, PA 101, PA 102 (north, south, east and west).

For additional information, call 862-PARK or visit the website at [www-ptts.tamu.edu](http://www-ptts.tamu.edu).

### ELECTION

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Where does the split come from? Speculation ranges from a polarization of values to the fundamental disagreement, underscored by Gore and Bush, about the role government should play.

What will it produce? Some, like political scientist Alan Rosenthal of Rutgers University, believe such balance can increase consensus — and encourage governmental productivity. To others, it is more evidence of the schism that threatens American purpose.

"What we need to do is get back to the idea that we're all Americans before we're Republicans or Democrats," said John Harmon McElroy, author of American Beliefs: What Keeps a Big Country and a Diverse People United. "If this idea of self-righteousness takes over our political process, we're in for something that I don't want to contemplate."

Still others suggest that, in a time of peace and prosperity, citizens were not hungry and political machines did not sow fervor.

"Neither party has a message that overwhelmingly resonates with voters right now," said Tim Storey, an elections analyst at the National Conference of State Legislatures.

Beyond that, does an individual opinion matter in a nation of hundreds of millions? Today, few would argue that it does not.

### PROFESSOR

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Ryan Garcia, media communications specialist for A&M University Relations. "He has testified before Congress on several occasions and twice before the National Bipartisan Committee regarding the future of Medicare."

Through the Private Enterprise Research Center (PERC) at Texas A&M, Saving and associate research scientist Andrew J. Rettenmaier have developed a Social Security calculator for the National Center for Policy Analysis. Individuals enter their age, earnings, gender, estimated retirement and occupation, and the calculator determines what their monthly Social Security payments at a specific age of retirement would be.

"I think the significance of the calculator is that it lets people see how the system has actually worked compared

### RING

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buried. This would be amazing for us."

Where the ring has been for more than a half century is a mystery. What is known comes from U.S. Army Col. Thomas Fossnacht, a liaison officer in Germany.

According to Fossnacht, several years after the battle — it is unclear exactly how long — a German man found Leonard's ring while burying remains of fallen soldiers near Kommerscheidt.

The man kept the ring for more than 50 years but recently died and left it to his grandson, the unnamed German military officer. The officer contacted Fossnacht and said he wishes to return the ring to its owner. Leonard's name is engraved on the inner part of the band.

Fossnacht contacted officials at A&M, who are now working to have the ring returned. Plans have yet to be finalized, and communication between A&M, the German officer and Leonard's family is only in the beginning stages.

Kershaw said she could not speak for her entire family, but she would like to see the ring eventually displayed at A&M.

"We have kept his memory alive," said Kershaw, among the last of Leonard's relatives to see him before he went overseas. "He is not a family member who died and we forgot about. His loss was dev-

astating to us. For this to be just overwhelming."

Although the ring's history is clear, more is known about Leonard's courage in battle.

According to A&M, Leonard was a member of the 893rd Tank Destroyer Battalion at Kommerscheidt in November 1944. When a German fire threatened to overwhelm the unit, Leonard moved through the fire to reorganize infantry whose officers had been killed.

An explosion took off the right part of his right arm, and he believed moving Leonard was his duty. The story is told in a book, "The Story of a Hero," which was written by Leonard's brother, John. Leonard was killed in the aid station.

It was the last time he was seen alive.

Because of his heroic actions during the battle, the Medal of Honor was presented to Leonard in 1945.

Leonard, who was killed in action, also received several other honors.

In 1950, his remains were buried in a grave on the battlefield and moved to Green Memorial Park in Dallas in 1944, at age 23.

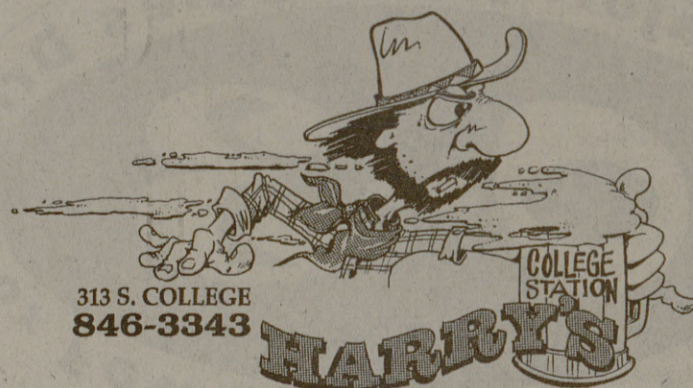
At A&M, Leonard was a distinguished student and graduate with honors in military science, also studied marketing and

to what they may have been told or the impression they may have."

Saving said. The calculator also shows the amount an individual is likely to pay in Social Security and the amount he is likely to receive in benefits.

"The security system is not going to get any better how we change it is what's important," Saving said. "I am so excited to serve on a board that can make this system work."

Saving has been teaching at A&M since 1968. At this time, he has received much recognition. From 1991 he was head of the Department of Economics. In 1989 he was named University Distinguished Professor and in 1991 he was the Jeff Montgomery Professor of Economics. Since 1991, he has been the A&M director of PERC. He has worked on three books: The Foundation of Money and Banking, Medicare Reform—Issues, Answers and Money, and Wealth and Economic



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