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### Art

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to broaden their minds or to relieve stress. During times when it may seem like nothing makes sense, art can provide some form of refuge from the world. Stumpo recalls the time he spent in another college town, comparable to College Station in size, in Iowa, and said he found that art just happens.

"People have kept it going because it genuinely moves them. People aren't afraid to think, to be challenged, I think there's a bright future for the arts here," Stumpo said.

The "Brazos Gumbo" debuts at Barnes and Noble bookstore July 10 from 7 to 8:30 pm. The poets being published will receive their free copies and will read to the public.

### PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

#### "Spider-Man 2" ignites box office

LOS ANGELES (AP) — "Spider-Man 2" pulled in a record \$180 million in its first six days and obliterated other box-office highs over the long Fourth of July weekend.

The "Spider-Man 2" haul was well above the previous best six-day opening of \$146.7 million set last year by "The Matrix Reloaded."

"I think our hope was to go into the heart of the summer and grab the biggest six days possible. That's pretty much what happened," Jeff Blake, vice chairman for "Spider-Man 2" distributor Sony, said Monday.

Last weekend's top film, Michael Moore's "Fahrenheit 9/11," fell to second place with \$21 million over the four-day weekend, raising its total to \$60.1 million. The film could become the first documentary ever to top \$100 million.

"We feel great that we were able to absorb the blow of Spidey and come back fighting," said Tom Ortenberg, president of Lions Gate Films, one of the distributors of "Fahrenheit 9/11."

Hollywood had a record Fourth of July weekend, with the top 12 movies taking in \$158.5 million from Friday to Sunday, beating 2002's previous high of \$139 million.

#### Elvis fans celebrate anniversary of landmark recording

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — Elvis Presley's "That's All Right" played simultaneously on radio stations around the world Monday to mark the 50th anniversary of the rock 'n roll icon's first professional record.

Scotty Moore, Presley's first guitarist, hit a button on a control board at Sun Studio to begin the satellite broadcast to 1,200 to 1,500 stations.

Outside the small studio where Presley cut the record on July 5, 1954, a street party was under way, with bands performing on a sound stage at Sun's front door.

"That's All Right" now enjoys a prominent place in the history of American music, but it wasn't an immediate hit.

"A lot of people think it was an overnight success, but we paid

our dues for two years on the road in Mississippi, Arkansas, Tennessee, Texas before we picked us up," Moore said.

Music historians regard the recording of "That's All Right" as a milestone in American pop culture.

Isaac Hayes, who recorded for Memphis' Stax Records in the 1960s and 1970s, and singer Justin Timberlake, Memphis native, joined Moore for the ceremony.

"He brought a lot of culture together," Hayes said. Presley. "He brought a lot of music together."

#### Four men suing over idea for movie "White Chicks"

STAMFORD, Conn. (AP) — Four men claim the Wayans brothers stole the idea behind the movie "White Chicks" from them.

Mario Pittore and brother Jason, Jon and James Coppola sued last week in federal court, seeking \$15 million in damages.

"We feel not only does it rip us off, but it's not even as good as the Pittore-Coppola script," said Pittore, 30.

"White Chicks" stars the Wayans as black FBI agents who pose as young white heiresses.

The mens' script, titled "Johnny Bronx," is about a bumbling black FBI agent who impersonates a white man to infiltrate the mob.

#### Quaid marries real estate agent

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Actor Dennis Quaid celebrated Independence Day by marrying Texas real estate agent Kimberly Buffington.

Quaid, 50, and Buffington, 32, tied the knot Sunday in Montana. Quaid's spokeswoman Catherine Tripicchio. She did not disclose the site of the wedding.

The actor was previously married to actress P.J. Soles from 1978 to 1983 and to actress Mel Ryan, the mother of his son, from 1991 to 2001.

Quaid stars in "The Day After Tomorrow," playing a scientist trying to prevent the end of the world when global warming unleashes disaster.

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