

PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

Giuliani biography to be made into television movie

NEW YORK (AP) — A film company has purchased the rights to a biography of former New York City Mayor Rudolph Giuliani and is expected to make Giuliani's story into a television movie.

The company, Five Mile River Films, bought the screen rights to *Rudy Giuliani: Emperor of the City* by Andrew Kirtzman, a political correspondent for local TV station New York 1. The purchase price was not disclosed.

Kirtzman was with Giuliani on the morning of Sept. 11 as the then-mayor searched for a location for an emergency command center. He updated the book, published in 2000, with a final chapter about the terrorist attacks.

Five Mile River previously has produced television movies about Biblical figures, including *Abraham, Moses, David and Jesus*.

Cruz and Cruise exchange compliments in Paris

PARIS (AP) — Tom likes Penelope's kindness. Penelope likes Tom's generosity.

Promoting their film *Vanilla Sky* in Paris on Tuesday, Tom Cruise and Penelope Cruz had a hard time picking just one quality they liked in each other.

"I choose Penelope's kindness," Cruise said at a news conference at the swanky George V hotel. "Her beauty, her intelligence."

"It is his generosity," said Cruz. "I was amazed by the way he cares about everyone around him. He values everything he has."

Cruise, 39, plays David Aames, a rich playboy who seems to have everything. Cruz, 27, reprises her original role as Sofia Serrano, a beautiful woman he meets at a birthday party.

Vanilla Sky, directed by Cameron Crowe, is a remake of Alejandro Amenabar's 1997 Spanish thriller, *Open Your Eyes*.



CRUISE

Mariah Carey's Virgin contract bought by EMI

NEW YORK (AP) — After less than a year and a flop album, Mariah Carey is leaving Virgin Records with a deal giving her \$49 million.

EMI, Virgin's parent company, announced on Wednesday that it would pay the 31-year-old diva \$28 million to end their association, which was to last for several albums to the tune of \$100 million.

That's in addition to the \$21 million she's already received since arriving at Virgin last April.

"Glitter," her first album for Virgin and the soundtrack for her movie of the same name, was a major disappointment. It sold 501,000 copies, according to Soundscan, a sharp drop from the multiplatinum successes the Grammy winner delivered for her previous label, Columbia Records.

Carey has another movie, *Wisegirls*, with Mira Sorvino, due out this year. She is scheduled to perform the national anthem at the Super Bowl on Feb. 3.

Country music stars Hill, McGraw welcome home baby girl

LOS ANGELES (AP) — And baby makes three — daughters, that is. Audrey Caroline McGraw was born in early December to country singers Tim McGraw and his wife, Faith Hill. Waiting at home for her arrival were 4-year-old Gracie and 3-year-old Maggie.

"The baby's great. She's doing wonderful," McGraw told reporters. "She's healthy and happy and we're happy and that's all that matters." Hill and McGraw, both 34, live in Brentwood, south of Nashville, Tenn.

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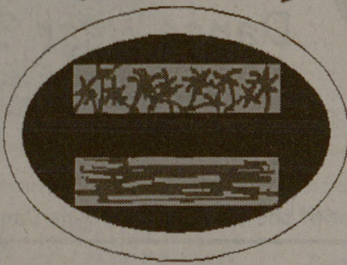


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