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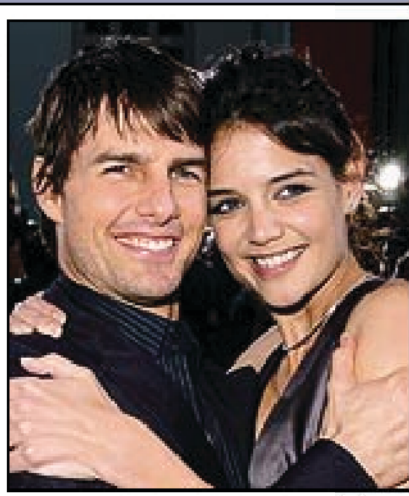
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**TOP STORIES**

**Paramount, Cruise cut ties after 14 years**

Amid a breakup that took a publicly acrimonious turn Tuesday, Tom Cruise and Paramount Pictures are parting company. Cruise and his producing partner Paula Wagner, whose Cruise/Wagner Prods. has been based at Paramount for 14 years, said they ended negotiations several days ago when a Paramount offer came up short.



Cruise has attracted criticism for his public declarations of love for his companion Katie Holmes on "The Oprah Winfrey Show."  
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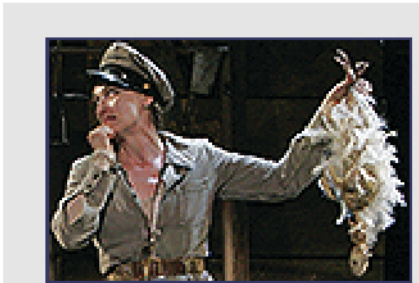
**Fox turns over a new 'Leaf'**  
The studio that made heroes of prehistoric mammals is turning to garden leaves and doodlebugs. 20th Century Fox Animation is developing "The Leaf Men and the Brave Good Bugs," with Oscar winner Chris Wedel, left, attached to direct

**TELEVISION >>>**

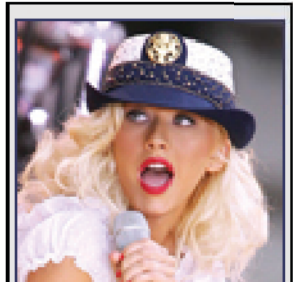
- ▶ Werner named WBTD president
- ▶ Group claims kidnap of Fox journalists
- ▶ Fox takes 18-49, total viewers Tuesday
- ▶ 'Academy' is Fox Reality's latest recruit
- ▶ Dean getting new 'Ride' in Fox deal
- ▶ Paratore exits WB to launch ParaMedia
- ▶ NBC's specials programming refocuses
- ▶ 'Kitchen' helps top-rated Fox to sink rivals

**BUSINESS >>>**

- ▶ Apple, Creative settle legal dispute
- ▶ CBS selling San Antonio radio stations
- ▶ VNU names GE's Calhoun as chairman, CEO
- ▶ Dell stops selling branded music players
- ▶ NextWave returns, with hope for better results
- ▶ Consultant approves Bertelsmann strategy
- ▶ Telmex buys Colombia's Superview
- ▶ Stocks fall Wed. on weak housing numbers

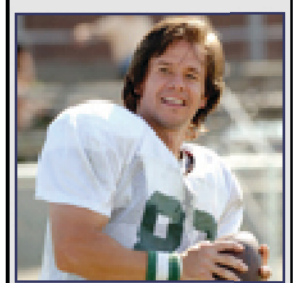


**Review: 'Mother Courage and Her Children'**  
Meryl Streep daringly takes on one of theater's most challenging roles, with mixed results at Central Park.

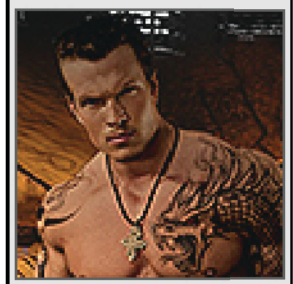


**Top albums**

1. Christina Aguilera, "Back to Basics"
2. Lyfe Jennings, "The Phoenix"
3. Trace Adkins, "Dangerous Man"
4. Cherish, "Underappreciated"
5. Cheetah Girls, "Cheetah Girls 2"



**Review: 'Invincible'**  
Bone-crunching football action fills the screen in this heart-wrenching true story about a bartender who tries out for the Philadelphia Eagles and makes it.



**Playing Games**  
Darryl Quarles couldn't envision how much work would be involved when he came up with "Underground Bounty Hunter," an online project that combines movies with video game interactivity.

**LATEST NEWS**

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**FILM >>>**

- ▶ It's a wrap for Par, C/W Prods.
- ▶ Nolte, Suvari headed to 'Pittsburgh'
- ▶ Fraser inks with NL for kids movie
- ▶ Fox Ani turns over a new 'Leaf' for pic
- ▶ Buscemi, Aykroyd join 'Chuck and Larry'
- ▶ Premieres dominate Toronto's 352-film lineup
- ▶ SPC picks up North American rights to 'Jindabyne'
- ▶ SPE reels in Grouper for platform

**PEOPLE >>>**

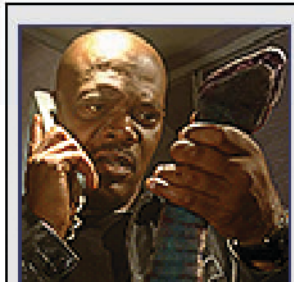
- ▶ Knack drummer Bruce Gary dies at 54
- ▶ 'Martian Chronicles' author Bradbury turns 86
- ▶ Lawsuit filed in rapper Proof shootout
- ▶ Spears ad too 'stimulating' for Tokyo Metro
- ▶ Jury recommends death for Harvey murderer
- ▶ New season of Gervais' audio show ready
- ▶ Costas returns to radio
- ▶ Keane singer Chaplin goes into rehab
- ▶ Gumbel's NFL remarks lead to league discussion
- ▶ Carroll's chief captor claimed to lead terrorist group

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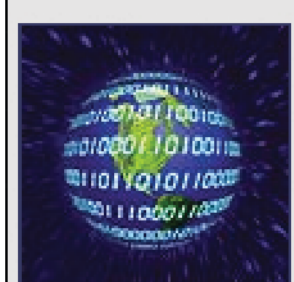
Which show should win the Emmy for best drama series?

Grey's Anatomy  
 House  
 The Sopranos  
 24  
 The West Wing

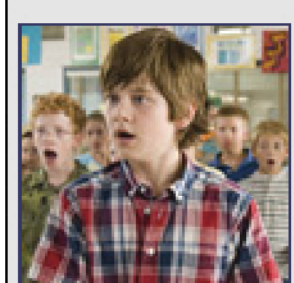
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**Filmmaker Focus**  
The "Snakes on a Plane" flight was probably doomed to disappoint from the point that bloggers began their wild embrace of the picture, MARTIN GROVE writes.



**Mermigas on Media**  
Publishing scions are being proactive and reactive to interactive opportunities, but can they reposition themselves in a digital media world?



**Review: 'How to Eat Fried Worms'**  
Based on the bestselling children's book, this film is watchable as a kind of milder version of "Fear Factor."