



## Fast Carrier Pictures Acquires Motion Picture and TV Rights for Inspirational Novel *The Pearls of the Stone Man*

MEDIA RELEASE (February 25, 2010): Producers Steven Jay Rubin, Ben Glass and Brett Cullen have acquired motion picture and television rights to author Edward Mooney Jr.'s novel, *The Pearls of the Stone Man* (Sourcebooks, Inc., March 2010).

Previously published by Champion Press in 2002 and a massive hit in Japan, *The Pearls of the Stone Man* (March 2010) is an inspirational novel with plot elements that touch both older and younger generations. Main characters Joseph and Anne Marino are rare. They're still in love after 53 years of marriage and with little time left, Joseph's priority becomes finishing the stone wall that Anne requested years ago—a special reminder from her childhood.

Needing the help of someone younger, Joseph turns to his son, estranged for five years, in hopes of rebuilding a severed relationship as well as the wall. Two teenagers also come to Joseph's aide, and he to theirs, as they all work to finish Joseph's promise to Anne. (<http://www.edwardmooney.com/>)

Glass will direct the adaptation with plans to go into production in 2010 for a 2011 release. Rubin previously produced the World War II drama *Silent Night* for the Hallmark Channel, which was nominated for four Canadian television academy awards, as well as the Showtime comedy, *Bleacher Bums*. Glass, a renowned celebrity photographer (*Dances with Wolves*, *The Bodyguard*), previously produced and was cinematographer on *Laffit: All About Winning*. He also served as the production designer on *Whirlygirl*. Cullen is an actor/producer, best known for his roles in *Apollo 13* and *Ghost Rider*. (<http://www.fastcarrier.com/>)

Japanese motion picture rights have been acquired by Tomoko Fushimi from Running Beagle. Thirty-thousand hardcover copies of *The Pearls of the Stone Man* have been sold in Japan.

Author **Edward Mooney** was recently named the **2010 Daughters of the American Revolution's Outstanding Teacher of American History for California**. As the state winner, Edward Mooney has been submitted to the Historian General for judging at the national level. Mooney will receive his DAR award at the Society's Annual State Conference on March 18<sup>th</sup>.

Edward Mooney's dedication and passion for teaching and educating teenagers is not only represented at his job, but also through his writing. *The Pearls of the Stone Man* is a beautiful and poignant message about relationships, responsibility and taking care of neglected youth.

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