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# THE NANCY NEWS

What's Up and Upcoming from Nancy Cartwright

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## WE'RE A HIT !!!

Location: Aspen, Colorado. Venue: The Wheeler Opera House.  
Activity: Two LIVE staged readings of two *Simpsons* scripts.  
Outcome: See title of article!

The cast of *The Simpsons* - **Hank Azaria, Dan Castellaneta, Pamela Hayden, Tress MacNeille, Harry Shearer, Yeadley Smith and Nancy Cartwright** - were flown into Aspen to be honored at the 6th Annual U.S. Comedy Arts Festival. They did

two performances for enthusiastic and appreciative 500-plus, standing-room-only crowds [see title again]. **Matt Groening** beamed with enthusiasm. **Mike Scully** elicited applause from the audience as he introduced the actors. **Jim Brooks, Richard Sakai** and **Denise Sirkot** took off their "Executive hats" and became fans. In fact, the buzz [revisit title] was out that they were the hottest ticket in town.

This awesome success [you know what to do] has something to do with the fact that they've never done this before - a LIVE performance. Some questions in the "Question and Answer" period after each show were: "Who does Moe?" "Who is the voice of Krusty?" "Do Ralph!" The audience just couldn't get enough of them! Cartwright queried: "What next? The Hollywood Bowl?!"

...As Bart would say, "I'm there, man!"

### From Nancy:

I can't believe how fast this year is going! It has been a whirlwind of activity... lots of promotion, a plethora of new ideas...great word "plethora!"

I didn't think anything could top receiving the Emmy in '92 until we got our star on The Walk of Fame in January. And then, to beat that, two packed houses at the Wheeler Opera House in Aspen to hear us read a couple *Simpsons* scripts LIVE! It truly is the most cherished acknowledgement yet received in this gal's career!

The event was oversold and 300 angry fans were rallied by the local police! We caused a riot...how cool is that!?!

For the nonce,\*

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\* for the time being;  
for now.

## Move Over, Bugs Bunny!

On January 14, 2000, the series' tenth anniversary, *The Simpsons* received its Star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame.

In attendance were creator **Matt Groening**, Exec Producers **Jim Brooks** and **Mike Scully**, as well as **Nancy Cartwright, Yeadley Smith, Pamela Hayden** and dozens of writer-producers and animators for the show.



Honorary Mayor of Hollywood, **Johnnie Grant**, introduced Groening who confessed that he couldn't believe that he was getting paid for what he used to be punished for in grade school. Scully had this to say: "You work with the best writers, the cast is outstanding and you have creative freedom."

The longest-running primetime animated series in history, and now the longest-running sitcom currently airing on primetime, *The Simpsons* has changed the medium forever.

**Cartwright**, the only member of the troupe who originally set out to do voice-overs, was truly overjoyed at the honor. "It's tempting to take a spray paint can and autograph 'El Barto was here!' right dead-center, but hey, 'I didn't do it!'"

## Happy House "Toons" Out...

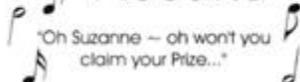
The last few months we have been focused on developing our animation concepts. It has been an electrifying experience to work with the character designers as they create unique looks for our series *Geek House*. The team of writers for *Geek House*, Morgan Scott and Brian Solari, have been working on script and bible materials. (A "bible" is a pack of information, including character sketches, character descriptions and a synopsis.) Similar development has been ongoing with Monteria Ivey and Stephan Dweck, the writing team from our co-production series with **Isaac Hayes**, *Bullseye*. Mr. Hayes and his creative team joined us out West for two rounds of pitching. That went so well that Nancy and Peter followed Isaac back East to continue pitching this extraordinary concept to the networks.

Work on *The Middle Passage*, our animated feature epic, is ongoing. It continues to inspire all who hear the story.

On the live-action front, we had a tremendous staged-reading of our feature *Gathering the Joneses*. Actors **Raye Birk, Angie Paton, Paul O'Conner, Anthony DeFonte, Lisa Pescia, Pamela Cederquist, Jonah Blechman, Elizabeth Moss, Seth Mummy** and **Nancy** did a great job for producer **Rana Joy Glickman** and director **Jim Dodson** who had the chance to hear the script come to life.

All this production is occurring while we set up a massive website that will host a creative cornucopia of original animation.

## Last Issue's Contest Results



Congratulations to **Suzanne Sorensen** who submitted the winning caption! Way to go man! **Hey Suzanne ~ please contact us to let us know your correct address ~ we're looking for you!**



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"If you lived here,  
you'd already be home."

of her press-on nails?

## - HONORABLE MENSCHES -

Welcome to the "Bartello of Blood."

**Scott Campbell, Hillsborough, NC**

Welcome to Dr. Nick's new dental clinic.

**Scott Norris, Dublin, OH**

Trick or Treat my ass --- that's MY house!

**Dwight Twentysixer, Kettering, OH**

Urban blight really sucks man!

**Jared E. Fekete, Farmington Hills,**

**MI**

This is one of our hottest hell houses in escrow.

**Nancy Jean O'Connell, Los Angeles,**

**CA**

Do you think Mom will notice I borrowed a couple

**Howard Goldthwaite, Dallas, TX**

# CONTEST! FUN! PRIZES!



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What do you think Bart is saying? The person with the catchiest phrase will win something Totally Cool from a spiky-haired, yellow-skinned 10-year-old! Just send your answer along with your name and address to:

**Bart Contest  
c/o Nancy Cartwright  
9420 Reseda Blvd. #572  
Northridge, CA 91324**

Look here for the winning caption in the next **NANCY NEWS!**

*For the Artist...*

## ODDS & ENDS

*"Keep your day job..."*

~ *Anonymous*

~ Stay tuned-in to NBC (Tuesdays, 8:30 p.m.) for Nancy's newest animated show called *God, The Devil And Bob*, in which she is the voice of Megan!

~ And please stay tuned-in to Cartoon Network's *Mike, Lu & Og*. Nancy is the voice of Lu!

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