

# The Nancy News

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JUST FROM  
NANCY...

“Working Mom 101”... pretty much describes my life these days! Hence, I am constantly searching for “the perfect balance” between being a career woman and a single parent for a couple of teenagers. OMYGAWD—do I really have two teenage kids?! Actually, Jack is 12  $\frac{3}{4}$  but the testosterone is pumping at full speed, so whose counting?! And Lucy, who is 14, has a tough act to follow—me! (Ha ha!)

Balance is a fantasy best left to those movies with idealistic endings. In real life, *there is so little time to keep things in balance, but I keep trying.* As much as I attempt to give 100%, both sides get cheated just a little bit, and that is a tough one to admit. My kids always want more and they deserve it! Meanwhile, there is an “800 lb. gorilla” a.k.a. “my career” constantly tapping on my shoulder for yet another banana. On good days, the best laid plans turn out okay, and my kids and I get to sit down to a family meal that I cook myself, and we go over the events of the day. I’m not the most creative cook in the world, but bless their hearts, they’ve yet to complain and I thank my lucky stars they aren’t picky with what I throw together. But these moments we have with each other are the frosting on the cake-of-a-day in which I go to records, do rehearsals, give lectures, schmooze with my agent and attorney, and/or otherwise play on the freeway with my new cell phone. It’s rare (okay, it’s *never*) when all “parties” are happy! Free time? Yeah, right! The last time I had a “free day” I ended up putting in eight extra hours studying how to be a better executive, but boy was that time well spent. Euripides (484 BC – 406 BC) said it best: “The best and safest thing is to keep a balance in your life, acknowledge the great powers around us and in us. If you can do that, and live that way, you are really a wise man.” Geeze, I feel smarter already!

*Love, Nancy*

## Bart is Back!

The cast of *The Simpsons* is back and better than ever! FOX and the voice-actors have reached a new agreement, the contracts are signed, and the show must go on - at least for a few more years! Much was printed and much was said about the negotiations, but the truth is, the outcome is fair especially for die-hard Simpsons fans who keep a demand there for more seasons to enjoy! *Simpsons Forever!*

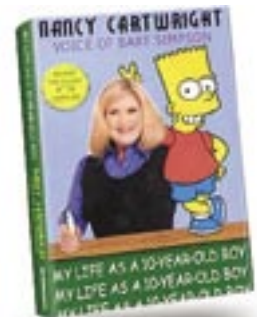


## Cartwright Entertainment wins Accolade Award!

“A Day in the Life” DVD which goes inside Nancy’s world as a voice actor, won an Accolade Award for Excellence in short documentary film. It was produced by the team at Cartwright Entertainment, and all those involved on the project should take a deep bow! Very Well Done!!!

## Read with your ears!

The audio version of *My Life as a 10-Year-Old Boy* will soon be available for purchase on a website near you. This revision of the best-selling book of the same name will feature Nancy reading her entire behind-the-scenes at *The Simpsons* book. “I have wanted to do this audio version since I wrote the book and now that I have my own recording studio, I knew the time was right.”



Publisher Blackstone Audiobooks will be releasing the work on CDs in August, available at [www.blackstoneaudio.com](http://www.blackstoneaudio.com)  
Or: [www.nancycartwright.com](http://www.nancycartwright.com)



*Rove McManus, from Rove Live, with Nancy*



*Nancy with FOX FM team*



*Nancy with Bert Newton of Good Morning Australia*



*Robert Love, Rose Goss, Nancy and John Pinder of "The Big Laugh"*

## *Talking Down Under...*

On March 6<sup>th</sup> 2004 Nancy packed up her travel trunk of voices and her ruby slippers and boarded a flight for OZ—Australia that is. Thus began her 6-lecture tour of “My Life as a 10-Year-Old Boy.” Nancy was accompanied by the director of her up-and-coming one woman show, **Rose Goss**, and was enthusiastically welcomed to Melbourne by **Irene Briggs** of Entertainment Depot, the tour sponsor. Following a bit of jet lag recovery, and a futile search for that day that you lose on a long flight, Nancy jumped into non-stop-publicity-mode with some live radio and TV interviews. She appeared on a daytime TV talk show with **Bert Newton**, and then went on to Rove Live; a nationally broadcast weekly TV comedy show. **Rove McManus**, a huge fan, interviewed Nancy on her experiences as the voice of the icon—Bart Simpson. Nancy, Rove and his ensemble players read an original radio drama that rocked the house. Nancy and Rove formed a fast friendship, and he came as a guest to watch her evening show at the gloriously restored 1936 Astor Theatre in Melbourne. After so much exposure, Nancy was no longer the anonymous celebrity she has always been, at least not in the land Down Under!

The next day, Nancy was off to Sydney, but even before landing, the Big Laugh at the Riverside Theater was sold out for her Friday opening night performance and an extra show was already being booked. **Victoria Buchan**, the Sydney PR connection, greeted Nancy at the airport, and the second leg of the tour began. The Friday night show at the Big Laugh was a hit! On Saturday night, Nancy performed to a raucous crowd at Sydney University’s Manning Bar, then did her final two performances at The Big Laugh on Sunday to packed houses. Big Laugh’s director, **John Pinder**, and producer **Robert Love**, were totally delighted and welcomed Nancy back anytime!

Nancy jetted back to Melbourne on Monday and took a couple days of well-deserved R& R to prepare for the final two shows of the tour. Ticket sales were so brisk that Nancy played to two capacity crowds of over 1,100 each! A book signing of Nancy’s best-selling biography, “My Life as a 10-Year-Old Boy,” followed. Since there is no sleep for the wicked, the weekend was filled with more publicity events than one 10-year-old could handle, which included appearances at the illustrious Silver K Gallery to sign animation art for devoted Simpson fans. Nancy experienced first hand the phenomenon of Australian hospitality and with mementos of her journey in hand, and a host of fond memories, she and Rose boarded the long flight home, and tried to recover that lost day in blissful sleep.

*“Ah, Sleep, that’s where I’m a Viking!”*

*- Ralph Wiggum*

## BART GOES TO COLLEGE...

...College campuses that is. “Hi! I’m Bart Simpson. Who the hell are you?” are words still ringing in the ears of thousands of college students. With barely enough time for a pit stop following her OZ Tour, Nancy hopped a flight for the Midwest and delivered her lecture to the Universities of Northern Illinois, Wisconsin and Pittsburg, playing to capacity houses filled with Simpsons fans. She shared live renditions of her beloved characters, Bart, Ralph Wiggums, and Nelson Muntz, and gave some behind-the-scenes moments, ending off with dynamic Q & A sessions and flying Butterfingers out to the young folks!

*Note:* Many thanks to all those who attended the lectures, and a special acknowledgment to the hard-working organizers and Student Associations of these remarkable Universities.

### ...ON THE FRINGE

Nancy will be premiering her one-woman show, *My Life as a 10-Year-Old Boy*, at the Assembly Rooms in Edinburgh, Scotland. This whimsical look at life as the “anonymous” voice of Bart Simpson is directed by Rose Goss. The play puts into a theatrical context the often hilarious journey Nancy has been on for the past 17 years. Penned by Nancy, Rose and Peter Kjenaas, Nancy explores new facets of her life, and the change she has undergone over the years; inviting the audience into her world as never before.

Marshall Cordell of Cordell Marketing Group is the producer bringing Nancy to the world’s largest theatrical event, the Edinburgh Fringe Festival.

For the entire month of August the city is transformed into a giant performance venue with over sixteen hundred productions playing in halls, theaters, churches, bathrooms, elevators and... well, everywhere. Look for more specifics on our site as we near the Festival and come enjoy a “pint of theatre” with Nancy!

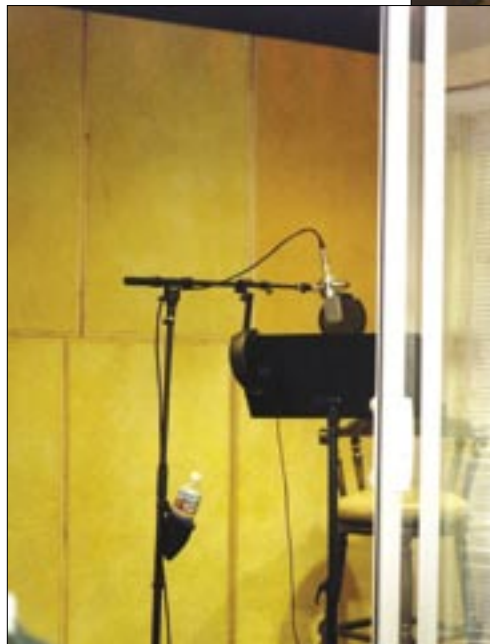
## Step up to the Mike!

Cartwright Entertainment is the proud owner of a brand new audio studio! We lost half of a bathroom that also held the pool shower, but we gained the ability to record the sound of running water whenever we want! (Nancy does a mean dripping faucet in her up and coming one woman show, by the way!) Our new audio production studio will set sail on it’s maiden voyage this month as we record the audio book version of Nancy’s best seller, “My Life as a 10-Year-Old Boy.”

Before



It’s amazing how fast some dedicated hammer-swingers can make a room disappear!



Here’s the new studio fully completed!

After!

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS

*My Life as a 10-Year-Old Boy* at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival in Edinburgh Scotland. August 6<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> in the Music Hall at the Assembly Rooms. Go to [www.nancycartwright.com](http://www.nancycartwright.com) for more information.

## CONTEST-FUN-PRIZES!

Okay, fans, what is the caption for this picture? The person with the catchiest phrase will win something **totally cool!** Just address your answer to the Cartoon Contest at: [fanmail@thenancyshow.com](mailto:fanmail@thenancyshow.com) and please include your mailing address. Or mail your entry to our return address above. Go to [www.appliedsilliness.com](http://www.appliedsilliness.com) for more great works by this gifted artist, Jim Meskimen.

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***“Oh my God! Which one of you microwaved Barney!!!???”***



**Dear Fans...** Thanks for the great response to cartoon contest number 2. The caption winner is: **Lynn Armstrong**, Ingleside, Ontario. “You go, Lynn! Honorable Mentions go to:

- Everyone stay back! Anna Nicole’s fat is looking for a new host body! (**Jason Younger**)
- Oh no! Aunt Mary’s homemade implants exploded again. (**Susan Spector** from Bayville, NJ)
- Oh, no! Our house must be on the fault line for the LaBarney Tar Pits! (**Diana Star Helmer** from Marshalltown, IA)

### **FAN CLUB PRESIDENT**

**Mary Beth Shields** of San Jose, California, was selected out of dozens for consideration to be president of The Nancy Cartwright Fan Club. The final decision-making process was continually being extended due to the high qualifications of each of the finalists. Please go to our website to see the full list of the finalists, photos and lots of data about the future of the Fan Club.

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