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GODDESS REPAIR SHOP

I had recently heard about this new Miracle Facial that's performed at the Goddess Repair Shop in Marina Del Rey and couldn't imagine what it was that would make people rave about it so.

Thus, in my on-going search for relaxation, I ventured down there. First of all, it's in that funky in an old-school way area on Washington that I always thought was Venice, not MDR. I love the feeling of teen-age summers that it always invokes in me. The neighborhood is relaxing in itself. Everyone looks like hippies who have all the time in the world to hang in a café. It's really great, and I never remember to go there on my own, so the facial was a success before it even started.

The owner is Anna Marie Colavito, a woman with great hair who looks about fifteen years younger than she is. And I never think females look so fabulous. And she hasn't even had surgery, which just a handful of us can say nowadays. (If you're wondering how I know that fact, besides that she told me and I believe her, no matter how good the plastic surgeon is, I can almost always spot it. Maybe it's the Brooklyn in me.)

I didn't get all the info, because I was trying to relax, but this isn't a run-of-the-mill facial with masques and blemish-poppings. It's an almost two-hour treatment with a machine called the Reparer that reads your needs and makes you look better in general. While gently rolling it over my face, Anna Marie could tell where there were build-ups of toxins, scar tissue, etc. She could even tell that I squint a lot!

I had recently interviewed a Beverly Hills plastic surgeon, (it'll be in this column in a week or two), and he agreed with my assessment that my eyes are doing great and I'm a long while away from needing an eyelid lift. But, I swear, that after my miracle Facial, they were more open and firmer! I couldn't believe it!

Jokingly, I asked Anna Marie if she could build me a butt, something I was thrilled to be without when I was a dancer, but have wanted ever since my knees went out. I was shocked to find out that a butt lift is one of the treatments offered here! This machine does everything!

I have to tell you that it can get quite pricey with a few treatments. But, compared to what a face-lift would cost surgically, not to mention the being sedated factor, which I just can't handle, I think this is the way to go with the body parts one's looking to improve. It's at least worth exploring before getting put under a knife.

Plus, you get to go out to a hippie café or cantina afterwards. Sounds like a fun time to me.

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And lastly, I'm feeling a tad like Nero, printing this column. I didn't mean to be fiddling while much of Southern California is burning. My heart and thoughts are with everyone who is suffering during this most trying of times and I hope and pray for better days in the very near future.