

The 2004 Makeover With A Mission Reveal Party

The stunning results created for three women by a dream team of Atlanta makeover artists were unveiled at the 2004 Makeover With A Mission Reveal Party. The event was produced much like the reveal celebrations on the hit ABC TV show, "Extreme Makeover," but with a unique twist – the event benefited Family Haven, a local domestic violence shelter for women and children as well as Face-to-Face, a program that provides plastic surgery to women who have been disfigured by domestic abuse.

Sponsored by Northside Hospital, the makeover began a number of months ago. After evaluating applications Martha English, Carol Girardey and Susanne Morgan were selected to receive a true Cinderella-like experience. Each received their wish list of top-to-bottom make over procedures by a team of doctors: Dr. Burke Robinson (facial plastic surgery), Drs. Debra Gray King and Richard Creasman (cosmetic dentistry), Drs. Diane Alexander and Bernadette Ashraf (body plastic surgery) and Dr. Farooq Ashraf (vision correction surgery) along with a talented team of hair and makeup artists, stylists and a personal trainer.

The candidates' big reveal celebration was held at Villa Christina in the Perimeter area, where a hub of excitement and anticipation grew as their friends and family awaited their unveiling. Morning radio show hosts Gene & Julie of 94.9 Lite FM were on hand to MC the event and announce the candidates. Gene & Julie also had the pleasure of helping to select and follow the progress of the candidates through each stage of the makeovers and couldn't wait to see the final results.

The team of doctors and the candidates



In addition to the silent and live auctions held earlier in the evening, the true highlight of the night was when the new Martha, Carol and Susanne were revealed. The audience was captivated by the amazing transformations. "My work has never looked better than when it was combined with all the other procedures," declared Dr. Robinson. Through hugs and tears of joy from well-wishers, family and loved ones, the candidates showed that dramatic changes had occurred not only in their outward appearance, but also in their obvious boost of self-esteem.



Party at Villa Christina

To read the candidates' diaries of their experiences and to find out more information about next year's event, go to www.MakeoverwithaMission.com.



Gene & Julie with Martha

Before & Afters

Before



Susanne Morgan

"I have always been self conscious of my teeth and appearance," Susanne wrote in her application letter. Susanne was teased as a child about her teeth, holding her back from a lot of things she wanted to do and causing her to be very shy. But that wasn't the only thing. After having two children of her own, in a remarkable act of kinship, Susanne gave birth to triplets in June of this year as a surrogate mother for a family member who was unable to have children. Since then, she had found it very difficult to regain her old body back. After seeing the surgeons from Artisan Plastic Surgery and having surgery, Susanne is amazed by the results. **"I still can't believe it's me in the mirror," said Susanne.** She then was able to have the gap in her teeth fixed with help from the Atlanta Center for Cosmetic Dentistry. **"They worked wonders and gave me the smile I always wanted. The process was more pleasant than I ever imagined,"** she explained.



Carol Girardey

Between being a single mother, raising two sons, and working two jobs, Carol never had time to do a lot of things for herself. She explains, "For the first time in my life, **I want to do something for myself** – not just superficially on the outside, but I knew it would help sky rocket my confidence on the inside as well. During the makeover process, the cosmetic surgeons focused on me one-on-one and I couldn't be more pleased with the results. **They are truly visionaries and miracle workers. I feel like a new person – rejuvenated inside and out.**"



Martha English

Like many of us, the years had taken their toll on Martha's appearance and also the way she viewed herself. In addition, due to caring for others in her family, Martha explained, "I just let myself go over the last few years and just feel a need to be renewed and feel young again." The doctors were able to make Martha look fifteen years younger, give her back that slim shapely body she once had, and no longer dependent on glasses. **Martha wore glasses for years and after only a short time at The Atlanta Vision Institute she now can see perfectly without them.** "Most women are in search of the Fountain of Youth," enthused Martha, "and with these doctors, I've truly found about the closest thing there is to it."

After



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These three women didn't know what to expect when they initially sent in their letters of application, but knew they didn't feel good about themselves and needed to make a change.