

■ *The first time I met Eileen Davidson (Ashley, YOUNG AND RESTLESS) was when I was an actor on Y&R, playing the hairdresser whom Olivia brought in to do Ashley's hair before her wedding. Recently, when I was on the show playing the same hairdresser — who now apparently works for Jabot — I cornered Davidson backstage.*

**Digest:** What's the most drastic hair change you've ever been asked to make?

**Eileen Davidson:** The most drastic was self-imposed. Back in the late '80s, I went very red at the end of my contract on YOUNG AND RESTLESS — I was getting a little restless and needed a change. The fallout was that everybody thought I had made this huge mistake. But I actually loved it. It was fun! I love to change.

**Digest:** What was Ashley's worst hair day?

**Davidson:** In the '80s, they had this love affair with me and a fire hose. I was constantly being wet down on the show. It became this big joke. The special effects crew gave me a plaque that said, "Most Professional Attitude Under Adverse Special Effects." I was always being drenched and falling in mud! I mean, they gave

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it to me. It wasn't a bad hair day — more like a bad hair month!

**Digest:** Will you speak of any chemical enhancements, or is that hush-hush?

**Davidson:** I get it color-weaved every couple of months.... I'm a natural blonde, but I have it weaved with highlights. David Dru [Salon in Beverly Hills] does them. I've been going to him for about 12 years now.

**Digest:** What's the biggest sacrifice you've made in the name of beauty?

**Davidson:** How about in the name of "ugly"? Get-



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**Davidson through the years**



ROBERT SEBREE

ting into that wig on DAYS OF OUR LIVES [where she played Kristen, Susan, Thomas, et al.] with those brown contact lenses? And getting all my hair up under a wig cap — to have a male, balding comb-over look. □

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