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FUNNY LADY

You are the original domestic goddess. Is it possible to be allergic to housework?

Not possible to be allergic to housework ... it is an inescapable part of being female.

Blonde & Bitchin' is the title of your new HBO special. What compelled you to perform again after years of avoiding the limelight?

I wanted to get out there after 9-11.

You've been open in the past about your struggles with weight, health, and depression. How are you feeling now?

I feel great for a fat, cranky, old, left-leaning Jewish grandmother.

Your blog (roseanneworld.com) posts a link to Parents Against Junk Food. How do you feel about the food industry, and schools that hawk candy and soda to kids?

The public schools are in a shambles of bullyism, and at the mercy of profit-making sociopaths.

You've commented on Hollywood's aversion to aging, and yet you have had well-documented plastic surgery. What gives?

Nips and tucks are OK if people feel they want to do that. It comes from feeling insecure, though ... it's like a walking ad for "insecure."

Are baby boomers growing old gracefully, terribly, or are they simply redefining age altogether?

Baby boomers do not want to go and are stubbornly holding on for dear life—no matter the cost, no matter the effect—after screwing everything up totally for their kids and grandkids ... it's the total psychopath generation.

In your mind, what makes for a good mother?

A good mother leaves things in order, and in better shape than she found it, as well as leaving a little something behind in the bank for the future.

Do you have any vices?

Many. They start with cheese, Godiva ...

Do you have a health hero?

Whoever discovered the cacao tree.

If you had to choose one person, past or present, to share a hospital room with during a long recovery, whom would you pick, and why?

[The famous baker] Marie Callender. One word: PIE!!!!—Lauren Paige Kennedy

 Read the complete interview at www.WebMD.com.

