

SFD thanks you

As the end of fall draws near and Thanksgiving approaches, we wish to express our gratitude for all of you! We continue to be amazed by the wonderful things our patients do for our community. Thank you very much, and we wish you a safe and happy Holiday Season!

Your dental team

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End of year preparations

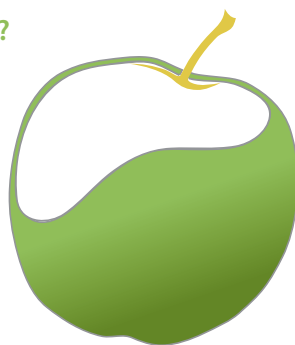
Many insurance plans and flex spending accounts renew with the new year. Often, benefits are "use it or lose it," so if you need dental treatment that is not yet scheduled, please call today! We will gladly check into your remaining benefits.

Make Cavities Ancient History!

Recently, the American Dental Association (ADA) created a "cavity risk assessment" to help eliminate dental cavities. For many patients, getting cavities has become a thing of the past! Listed below is a sampling of the risk assessment questions. Go ahead, quiz yourself to see how you're doing:

- 1 Do you consume sugary or starchy foods or drinks between meals?
- 2 Do you have dry mouth or use medications that reduce salivary flow?
- 3 Do you have recession or exposed root surfaces?
- 4 Have you had a cavity within the last 3 years?
- 5 Do you have any worn out or chipped fillings or crowns?
- 6 Do you use smokeless tobacco?
- 7 Do you ever notice any visible plaque on your teeth?
- 8 Have you undergone Chemo/Radiation treatment?
- 9 Do you skip or delay regular dental care visits?

If you answered yes to any question above, you are at high to moderate risk for getting cavities. The ADA has specific recommendations to prevent dental disease. Ask your dental team for details at your next visit!



We are grateful to all who have referred family and friends to our office! We hope you have enjoyed your gift of appreciation. Thank you for your continued trust and support!

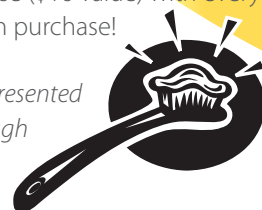


Holiday Stocking Stuffer!

Free Fluoride Rinse with purchase of Electric Toothbrush

We offer three excellent dental technologies, including Sonicare brushes for children. Receive a FREE take-home fluoride mouth rinse (\$16 value) with every electric toothbrush purchase!

(Coupon must be presented for offer, valid through December 2009)



Summit Family Dentistry Hosts Dental Assisting School

We are pleased to announce the arrival of Academy for Dental Assisting Careers (ADAC). You may have noticed their banner in front of the building over our under-construction sign. The eight-week, Saturday-only program teaches students assisting skills and provides the certifications necessary to begin a successful career. Ms. Dianne Torbeck, E.D.D.A., is the Director and Lead Instructor for the program. She has been running successful dental education programs for 13 years! This course gives students the "hands-on" training they'll need to begin successful dental assisting careers.

Please call 303-774-8100 for details.

Are wisdom teeth necessary?

The ADA confirms that "Wisdom teeth are a valuable asset to the mouth when they are healthy and properly positioned. Often, however, problems develop that require their removal. When the jaw isn't large enough to accommodate wisdom teeth, they can become impacted (unable to come in or misaligned). Wisdom teeth may grow sideways, emerge only part way from the gum or remain trapped beneath the gum and bone. Patients should ask the dentist about the health and positioning of their wisdom teeth." Our patients now have the option of having wisdom teeth removed in-office with IV sedation! A few days might be needed for recovery, so plan accordingly.



Santa's coming!

Once again, Saint Nicholas has decided to visit your dental office during his busy holiday season! This year, like last, Mrs. Claus will also be here with special prizes for children old and young. Bring your children, cameras and wish lists! Everyone's invited. No charge. Light refreshments will be served.

**Saturday, December 5th
10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.**

Dental anxiety options available

Do you have a friend or neighbor that is terrified of getting dental care? There are many options to calm dental anxiety. From safe, proven medications to IV sedation, there is a treatment for any level of fear. We are happy to offer free consultations for anyone who has put off dental care because of fear!