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Newsletter

# Smile Design Center

Implant Specialists - Home of the Flex Temps

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DENTAL LAB

**Season's Greetings!** I would like to wish everyone a safe and happy holiday! Things are changing greatly from the past 5 years. We have seen many of the long established dentists retire and many young and energetic clinicians taking over the dental practices. I would especially like to thank Dr. Gary Ahasic of Fairview Dental in Aurora and Dr. Mike Masoncup of St. Charles for their years of support of our lab.

Dr. Gary Ahasic was one of my first accounts when I started the laboratory back when there was only Merrimac Laboratory. Dr. Ahasic and the other dentists of Fairview Dental have operated one of the most progressive dental practices in the country. We wish Gary a great retirement. He will be missed by many in the community.

Keeping current with technology is very tough and expensive today as you and your office are well aware. To all of our dental partners, we appreciate all the support that you give us every year.

Thank you again and have a safe and joyous holiday!!

Sincerely,

**This Year's Newest Product:** Probably the newest product that we will be working with this year will be the different E-Zirconia materials. Some of the new super high esthetic materials are allowing us to do more full contour larger restorations as a solid material. Like all new materials, learning the true color of the material and its limitations is always a work in progress.

Another new product. We are fine-tuning a one-piece solid milled restoration for the All on Four. In the past, when making this appliance, it was difficult to create a good computer design without a very time-consuming process. We have been able to develop new methods to improve on the technique. These bridges still have a simple titanium understructure. Speaking of which, most of our titanium frames today have metal tissue contact to help promote better metal contact with the tissue.

As usual, we are always looking at ways to improve angle screw implant restorations. We are also working on improving our scanning method for implant intraoral scans. We are incorporating a system that will ensure that we can provide the best restoration for you and your patients.

We truly understand the need to service your patients the best we can.

## ***In-Lab Shade Taking***

Patients have been very pleased with the service they've received at the lab when a shade is taken. We take several pictures and use multiple shade references.

When sending a patient to the lab for a shade, warn the patient that a check appointment may be necessary, especially on cases where matching a central to an existing one.

Call Paul on his cell to set a time for your patient's appointment at 630-363-6176.

Your offices have done a great job with the recommendation of bleaching to the patients. Many people we see have been through bleaching or have considered it.

Great job to you and to your office staff.

