

MAY 2023 NEWSLETTER



Here's what's happening in our office....



Hello Christy,

We celebrate all of the wonderful mothers everyday and this month in particular. We wouldn't be the orthodontic office that we are if it weren't for the moms making sure their kids get to appointments, stay on track with treatment, and sharing their experience with our office through word of mouth. We appreciate all of you sincerely! We hope you all feel special and appreciated - you deserve it!

In this newsletter we have the April Patient of the Month, our May contest for patients and Colors of the Month, as well as a monthly topic: do wisdom teeth affect braces? Read on for details.....

APRIL

Every month we pull one random name out of a box from all of the awesome patients that have been in that month with:

- *Excellent brushing & oral hygiene*
- *No broken brackets*
- *Excellent elastic wear as prescribed*

Patient
of the
Month

Congratulations to Andrew Huzyak, who is our Patient of the Month for April!

Andrew received 50 extra rewards hub points as well as a certificate. Congrats, Andrew!

Things to know....

DECEMBER CONTEST FOR PATIENTS:

This month's patient contest is called **MOTHER'S DAY AROUND THE GLOBE CONTEST**. Log into the Patient Rewards Hub with your password to access the contest. Sound on! In this fun contest to celebrate Mother's Day, participants match the word "mother" spoken in different languages to the country where it's spoken. Participants are also encouraged to follow and like our Facebook page after completing the contest. The end of the contest is May 31st and the winner will receive a notification in their patient hub account and will earn 30 rewards points. Everyone that participates will receive 5 rewards points. **GOOD LUCK!!**



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MONTHLY TOPIC: DO WISDOM TEETH AFFECT BRACES?

What Are Wisdom Teeth?

Wisdom teeth grow in the back of your mouth and are the third and last set of molars on each side of the upper and lower jaws. They are also the final teeth to erupt, usually appearing when a person is older (in their late teens or early twenties), hence the name wisdom teeth. "With age comes wisdom – and wisdom teeth."

Do Wisdom Teeth Need To Be Removed?

The reality for many people is that wisdom teeth are unable to grow in normally. They either become stuck under the gum or are only able to partially break through the gum, and are therefore referred to as "impacted". Wisdom teeth usually become impacted because the jaw doesn't have enough space for all the teeth that are growing in, or because the tooth comes in at an angle and bumps into the tooth in front of it. Impacted wisdom teeth are fairly common, and while some people never have any trouble with them, they can cause problems for others such as gum tenderness, cavities, bad breath, infection, and can be painful as they grow in. For these reasons, impacted wisdom teeth are often removed before they become a problem.

Do wisdom teeth affect braces?

The general consensus is no. Wisdom teeth should not be removed solely for the purpose of preventing movement of other teeth because you have or had braces. There's a common



misconception that wisdom teeth push other teeth out of their way as they erupt, causing them to move and overlap. However, this is not the case. Research has shown that wisdom teeth do not exert enough pressure to cause misalignment in other teeth. Wisdom teeth CAN be removed while undergoing orthodontic treatment, however Dr. Spoonhower will generally leave that decision up to the patient's general dentist. If you have any questions regarding this topic, please do not hesitate to ask.

COLORS OF THE MONTH

Each month we feature a different color combination you can get on your braces with the elastic ties! We even give the color combination a fun, cool name and have it on display so you can see what it will look like!

Here are this month's colors.....

SPRING FLING



Did you know we are accepting new patients? The biggest compliment we can ever receive is the referral of a family member or friend, or an online [Google](#) review. We thank you for your confidence in us and we appreciate your business and your referrals! We hope to see you in the office soon!

[Click here to leave us a Google review!](#)

Sincerely,
Dr. Christopher Spoonhower & Staff



Monday: 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Tuesday: 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday: 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Thursday: 7:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

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Please Note: Our office is closed on Fridays, however we DO have limited patient emergency hours. Should you have an orthodontic emergency, please call the office. If we do not answer, please leave a message and we will call you back as soon as possible.

Regarding Insurance: If your insurance covers orthodontic treatment, you will be reimbursed directly from your insurance company. This will reduce your overall out of pocket expense for treatment. Many insurance policies have a lifetime orthodontic benefit that is distinct from regular dental insurance. Insurance policies vary, so we will review your insurance to determine the appropriate course of action. (Once treatment has started, we will file your claims).

Our office is committed to helping you maximize your insurance benefits. Due to the fact that insurance policies vary, we can only estimate your coverage in good faith, but cannot guarantee coverage due to the complexities of insurance contracts. Please inform us, too, of any changes to your insurance coverage.



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