

Ask The Dentists

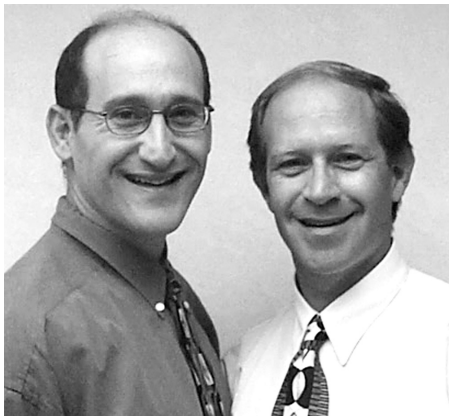
Normally we answer questions from patients but this month we are going to use this space to tell you of some exciting developments at Hampton Dental Associates.

We would like to congratulate Dr. Richard Winter for receiving his Mastership award in the International Congress of Oral Implantologists, this week in Vancouver at the World I.C.O.I. Congress. This is a wonderful accomplishment and follows his Fellowship award that he received in Philadelphia in May. These awards follow written examinations and case presentations and are wonderful accomplishments in implant dentistry. There are only 174 Masters out of 9500 dentists in this organization!

In Vancouver, Dr. Winter presented a table clinic on "Upgradeable Dentistry" that was very well received and it was quite an honor to be selected to present at a World Congress. In June and July of this year, Dr. Winter published the first two parts of a four part series of articles entitled "Upgradeable Dentistry" in *Dentistry Today* a world wide dental Journal. We welcome everyone to read the first two published articles at: www.winterdental.com under publications. The concept for these articles is familiar to this readership but to summarize, they are about how patients should be educated about the options modern dentistry has to offer, even if they can't afford to do it all today. This is a topic that is appropriate for this economy as people should be allowed to do sequential dentistry or Upgrade their treatment as their personal, financial and emotional ability allows.

We have worked very hard to educate our patients about the loss of bone with prolonged denture or partial denture wear. This bone loss can result in sores, pain, and loose dentures. So we educate our patients about treatment that will preserve this bone as early as possible so that perhaps more costly grafting can be avoided prior to implant treatment. Dentures should be part of a journey, not the destination!

Some people may be able to afford fixed



Drs. Richard and Bruce Winter

bridges on implants but some may need mini-implants, "snap-on-dentures", or a combination of care that will improve their lives over time. They can choose treatment options that will allow them to chew at whatever level of comfort they want and can afford. We offer 24 month interest free credit to our patients to help them realize their final goals.

We invite our readership to go to our 3 websites, read Dr. Richard Winter's articles and call us for a consultation or a comprehensive examination so that we can discuss these "Upgradeable" options with you today. You can reach us at 414-464-9021 and we look forward to meeting you.

Yours for great dental health,
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