



About Our Office

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Hot Topics ****INSURANCE ALERT! **INSURANCE ALERT!**** Most dental insurance policies end in December and if benefits are not used for a given year, they are lost. In order to get the most out of your benefits for 2007, you may wish to schedule any outstanding treatment now so that we may ensure your work is completed before the end of the year! Also, if you participate in a cafeteria plan at work, you may consider arranging now to have money set aside next year for any upcoming dental work.

After a rigorous review process, the American Dental Association has awarded the ADA Seal of Acceptance to Wrigley sugarfree chewing gums Orbit, Extra, and Eclipse, because they are clinically shown to help prevent cavities, reduce plaque acid and strengthen teeth. Studies submitted by Wrigley to the ADA showed that chewing these gum products for 20 minutes three times a day after meals increases saliva production. Saliva helps neutralize and wash away plaque acid and bathes the teeth in minerals such as calcium, phosphate and fluoride which are known to strengthen tooth enamel and help prevent cavities. So, after your next meal, keep on chewin'!

Around the Office In October, you will notice a moderate change in our reception area. After some water damage from a leaky pipe, we made the decision to completely replace the wooden flooring! The new flooring is a little darker, but will match better with some other esthetic renovations you will see up front over the next year!

Employee Spotlight **Darlene Brinson**, received her Dental Assisting training in Atlanta, GA. She was born in Detroit, but grew up in Miami, Florida. Darlene has lived in Asheville since 1982 and has three daughters, Amy, Mandy, and Kaitlin. She has been married to Russ for 13 years and enjoys boating at Lake Keowee with her family. She also spends time sewing, gardening, and hanging out with her daughters and Russ. She has worked in the dental field since 1971 except for a brief career change to O.R. Tech from 1979 – 1982.

Quote Unquote

Come, said the wind to the leaves one day,
Come, o're the meadows and we will play.

Put on your dresses scarlet and gold,

For summer is gone and the days grow cold. –A Children's Song of the 1880's

Help the Dental Homeless! We love to see new faces in our practice family. If you know someone in need of a dental home, let them know we are accepting new patients!