

FOREVER SMILES BRACKET CHATTER

Official Newsletter from Dr. Yan Razdolsky Specialist in Orthodontics for Children & Adults

do you know
what brings
**FOREVER
SMILES**
to our faces?

hearing
you are
HAPPY!

It goes without saying that a huge part of what makes what we do so great, is just seeing you smile. But a big part of that, is our knowing what makes you smile. That's why it is important for us to know how we're doing and what we're doing right.

"Having a positive experience during treatment is very important to us," said Dr. Razdolsky. "But, so is a productive treatment. Patients should feel comfortable in telling us what issues they are having right then and there. That way we can address their concerns promptly and with minimal or long-term discomfort."

If ever there is anything that doesn't feel right, hurts or makes your orthodontic experience less than expected, or if your braces or appliances ever cause you discomfort beyond what is explained to you, let Dr. Razdolsky know. He and the Forever Smiles team can address most issues in the same visit or help you plan a strategy for easing any discomfort at home. Working together, we can be sure you

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TAKING A BITE OUT OF CRIME

The science behind the various fields and specialties of dentistry are captivating. Take for example the role forensic dentistry in mainstream television and books with shows such as *Bones* and *CSI Las Vegas*, or even the gripping tales of Arthur Conan Doyle's Sherlock Holmes.

Although Sherlock Holmes was a fictional character, to some, the way Doyle vastly contributed to the field of forensics is unquestionable. One of the biggest impacts being the "exchange principle" wherein two things come into contact with one another and one leaves a trace--the ramifications of which is enormous as evidence can last for years, decades and even centuries.

While forensic dentistry, or odontology is a growing area of forensic medicine, it has in fact been part of forensic science for more than 100 years. Its primary function is as the branch of forensic medicine which deals with the proper handling and examination of dental evidence and proper evaluation and presentation of dental findings in the interest of justice.

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We're happy, you're happy. *(cont'd from front)*

smile a little brighter and your treatments go smoothly from initial visit to your Forever Smile.

Another way for you to share with us, and others just how awesome your appointments are going, and how much you love Dr. Razdolsky, is by leaving us a review. Whether on Google or Healthgrades, your reviews not only help spread the word to others who want to learn more about our services, but they also help us understand how to improve the quality of our appointments, service and treatments for all patients.

Leaving a review is easy. Just make sure you are logged into your Google account, then go to our website, and

click the G+ icon at the top to be directly connected to our Google Maps page. Once there, scroll to the bottom and click the "write a review." Most people who see your review will

look at the star rating first, so don't forget to click the number of stars that matches your feelings about us. Then share the details of your experience with us and click post. If you have a pic, you can even post it there as well.

It's no secret we really LOVE our patients and that's why these reviews are so vital to us. It's how you make our practice so awesome and why when you're happy, we're happy.

Because your
FOREVER SMILE
is very important to us!

In Closing

Thank you for being part of our Forever Smiles Family. If you have any questions about this newsletter or anything else, please do not hesitate to contact us at our Buffalo Grove office: 847-215-7554 or via email: yan@razdolsky.com. We look forward to providing you and our community with even more reasons to smile!

Truly,

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Let's observe the case of notorious serial killer Ted Bundy. During an exhaustive man hunt after his escape from jailors in January 1978, Bundy committed his final and most heinous crime. He was recaptured and eventually went on trial for his crimes and the only piece of evidence was a bite mark he left on one of the victims. Having taken casts of his teeth, investigators were able to show that Bundy's teeth were unevenly aligned and several of them were chipped. Bite marks, like fingerprints are unique and it was through the casts of his teeth, and photographs of the bite marks on the victim, that a forensic odontologist was able to present key evidence instrumental in Bundy's conviction.

Missing teeth, fractures or malformed teeth, as well as position and angle of the incisors all display unique characteristics which act like the distinct lines of a fingerprint. Whether a visual impression taken from the victim, or physical one found at the crime scene, the science of forensic odontology can be combined with known historical factors when teeth or bite marks are present.

John Wilkes Booth shot President Abraham Lincoln April 14, 1865 and escaped to Virginia where he was surrounded by the US Calvary and shot dead on the spot. For years however, rumors spread that he escaped and was still alive. To disprove naysayers, his body was disinterred in 1893 and reexamined. Booth's body was positively identified by the family dentist by the peculiar formation of his jaw noted on dental records.

It can be said then that the role of dentistry in revealing evidence which may otherwise go unidentified can be paramount to justice when forensic techniques are employed. In the words of Sherlock Holmes, "There is nothing like first-hand evidence." Indeed, Mr. Holmes. Indeed.

