Dear Friends,

This is my first try at writing a "newsletter", so please bear with me. Most of us only see each other twice a year and this is my attempt to stay in touch. There has been a lot going on around here.

Awhile back I completed a course from the Bicon Institute in Boston Massachusetts to become certified to place dental implants. A dental implant will replace a missing tooth, or multiple missing teeth, with a titanium "screw" that the bone in your body actually grows to. After the bone grows to the implant and it is stable we can build a crown, or bridge, or even dentures to it. You no longer will need to chew on the other side, or be embarrassed by missing teeth. Our denture patient's can virtually eat anything they want again, with no embarrassing denture slip. Dental implants are the state-of-the-art in tooth replacement. If you, or someone you love, have a tooth or teeth that are missing maybe a dental implant could help. If you would like a consultation to see what dental implants could do for you please give Tammy a call to set up an appointment.

In April of 2008 we went to the Invisalign Certification course. Invisalign is the clear alternative to the ugly metal braces you may have seen in the past. With Invisalign we are now able to move teeth with a series of clear retainers. The great thing about Invisalign is the retainers are invisible, so no body will know you are wearing them. You take them out when you eat, giving you the freedom to eat all the same foods you do right now. You also take them out to brush and floss, allowing you to brush and floss just like you do now. The retainers are also very comfortable, because they are custom fit for your teeth, you may even forget you are wearing them. Invisalign is the perfect way to get straighter teeth without your co-workers, or friends even knowing. A short consultation appointment is all it takes to determine if Invisalign is right for you.

Before I close I would personally like to thank each and every one of you. Without you, getting up every morning would be a struggle. I know that I am coming in to see people that I care for, and that I know care for us. We are all part of a family, and we enjoy seeing you in the office. I would also like to thank the "girls". You ladies keep me on the straight and narrow, and allow me to do the things that I love.

Sincerely, Dr. Becker

P.S. Our practice is truly a family practice that is based on word-of-mouth referrals. We often treat many members of the same family, and some of our best patients are referred by some of our best patients.

P.P.S Please visit our web site at <u>www.MarkWmBeckerDDs.com</u> to find out more about dental implants, Invisalign, or something else.