

## Leading Healthcare Providers of Fort Wayne

### PRACTICING THE FUTURE OF FAMILY DENTAL CARE TODAY *David P. Reichwage, DDS*

When Joan Borders entered the office of Dr. David Reichwage for the first time, she almost forgot about her dental problems. Long interested in advances in medical technology, the Central Noble High School teacher was amazed at the state-of-the-art medical facility and its staff of highly trained professionals.

"I didn't realize so much was occurring in the field of dentistry. I was amazed," said Mrs.

Borders, a survivor of two heart attacks who had been referred to Dr. Reichwage by her family dentist for advanced care.

Dr. Reichwage and his team are passionate about keeping this practice on the very leading edge of dental science.



*Patient Mrs. Joan Borders*



*Actual Smile-Design Patient*



*Dr. Reichwage with his team (from left): Kim Lemberg; Lisa O'Connor, RDH; Tina Janiszewski, CDA, EFDA; Teresa Barjenbruch, RDH; Denise Marr, CDA, EFDA*

"There's been an explosion of new dental materials and techniques. Instead of the older silver mercury amalgam fillings and porcelain-over-metal crowns which look darker and often have a dark line at the tissue, we routinely use ceramics, which are beautiful, natural-looking and biocompatible.

"Our patients can have the smile of their dreams today. With ceramics and other new technologies, we get excellent results. Our computerized imaging ability allows patients to see their dental issues and the changes we can make on the monitor before any treatment is begun. Our dentistry is all about health, function and beauty."

The practice also uses lasers for several purposes, including aiding in stopping the onset or spread of periodontal

disease (infection in the gums). Left untreated, this often unseen, painless disease has been linked to heart disease, stroke and low birth-weight babies.

Dr. Reichwage takes a very modern approach to educating his team. "The most important aspect for me in this practice is the continuing education of the entire staff. It is ongoing."

Dr. Reichwage states that every member

of this team is involved in achieving successful patient outcomes. "All of us invest a great deal of time in meeting the needs of our patients, and we collaborate closely. Our patients benefit from having a well-trained team developing and implementing individualized treatment plans."

Patients are also actively involved in their own treatment decisions. "I have never before experienced such detailed information prior to any dental work whether it be simple or complex. I am continually made aware of the why's and how's of my treatment," states Mrs. Borders.

With every visit, Mrs. Borders remains enthusiastic about how dental care of the future is changing her own quality of care. "Recently the staff shared new information about the correlation between the bacteria in the mouth and heart disease. Imagine a dentist learning about why heart attacks occur!"



*Dr. Reichwage's family practice accepts patients of all ages. For more information, or a complimentary consultation, call 260-426-1086. The Website address is [www.reichwagesmiles.com](http://www.reichwagesmiles.com).*