

## Useless But Smile Provoking Facts

- July is National Blueberry Month.
- The Dog Days of Summer refer to the weeks between July 3rd and August 11th. They are named after Sirius, the Dog Star.
- Americans buy ice cream in July more than any other month.
- August is the busiest month for travel and tourism.

## Appointment Needed?

Please contact Kelly Taylor for any scheduling changes or appointment requests at Smile Savers Dentistry. Call the office at 410-730-6460 and ask to speak with Kelly, she will be happy to assist you with your appointment!

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*"Keep smiling, because life's a beautiful thing and there's so much to smile about."*

~ Marilyn Monroe

## A WORD FROM DR. STEWART

### LANAP® Laser Gum Surgery vs. Traditional Gum Surgery

80% of adults in the U.S. suffer from some degree of gum disease. If you've been told that you have gum disease and that surgery will be required, it's important to know the difference between traditional gum surgery and laser gum surgery.

#### There are several types of traditional gum surgery.

Gingival flap surgery is the type often used to treat gum disease. The doctor utilizes a scalpel so the gum tissue can be folded back for visibility and to clean the pocket and reduce the pocket depth. The pocket depth is reduced by cutting away tissue. In many cases the additional use of bone grafting will be needed in order to help regenerate any bone or gum tissue lost to periodontitis. After the surgery, the surgeon will use stitches to put the gums back in place. Most people suffer mild to moderate pain after traditional gum surgery. It usually can be managed with over-the-counter pain relievers. There is also some risk of bleeding and swelling after gum surgery.

#### LANAP® periodontal surgery is a full-mouth procedure usually completed in two, 2-hour visits.

The LANAP® protocol is the only laser gum disease treatment that is FDA cleared for true regeneration. It can re-grow the tissues and bone lost to gum disease. The LANAP=LAR (Laser Assisted Regeneration) procedure is one of the most successful protocols in treating periodontal disease because it can target the source of the inflammation without hurting or removing any healthy gum tissue, slow or stop attachment loss and decrease pocket depth. It allows the body to recover from the chronic infection without the need for a scalpel or for sutures. Compared to traditional surgery, patients have stated that the LANAP protocol is less painful and there is very little downtime after treatment.

As technology evolves and breakthroughs are made in dentistry, Howard County's Smile Savers Dentistry is committed to offering the latest and most advanced treatments to our patients in order to provide the highest standard of care available. Utilizing a laser to treat periodontal disease is something that many patients can take advantage of, although not every patient is a candidate. If you've been told that you have gum disease and require surgery, please call me for a free consultation to see if you are a candidate for LANAP®. *\*Free consultation offer expires July 31, 2016.*

Regards, **Dr. Stewart**



## Our Dental Services at Smile Savers Dentistry

Smile Savers Dentistry accepts new and emergency patients, offering dental services for the entire family. Our comprehensive dental services include routine dental exams, cleanings, oral cancer screenings, X-rays, periodontal treatments, laser gum surgery (LANAP®), Invisalign®, bridges, extractions, tooth-colored composite fillings, dentures, dental implants, root canals, veneers, night guards, snore guards, dental crowns, Snap-On Smiles, TMJ treatment and Venus Pro teeth whitening.

We love when our patients "Care to Share" so make sure you pick up a referral card to share with friends and family!





## Smile Savers Dentistry LANAP® Success Story

"After suffering through flap surgery twice and being advised it would be necessary again, I simply could not imagine subjecting myself to the procedure another time. After 18 months of putting it off I just decided that I would never get it done and deal with the consequences. During those 18 months I read an ad in USA Today about laser surgery treatment for periodontal disease. I contacted the maker of the laser and received a list of dentists in my area, but still didn't contact anyone for a year.



Thankfully Dr. Stewart was the LANAP provider I chose. He and his staff were so welcoming and sympathetic to the horror story that was my dental history. I was extremely skeptical about the claims regarding the lack of pain and significant results to be expected from the gum procedure. I have to admit all of the claims were true and the results were vastly better than expected. When the anesthesia wore off the only pain was from the anesthesia injections, I had NO PAIN associated with the surgery and I could see the difference in my gums in a day. By a week I was blown away by the results and no discomfort! I would suggest this procedure to anyone who is a candidate and would definitely refer them to Dr. Stewart. I now feel positively regarding my dental future." - N.L.

### Dentist LOL

What does a dentist do on a roller coaster?

He braces himself.



### Mission Statement

At **Smile Savers Dentistry**, we expect all of our patients to be healthier and happier during and after their treatment. We believe that a healthy mouth helps to make a healthy body. We will help you take care of your oral health and keep your teeth looking beautiful and feeling healthy for as long as you are a patient of ours. Our highly educated, competent and caring staff will take part in your oral health by providing you optimal dentistry in an atmosphere like no other dental practice in Howard County. We expect your care to be so good that you will refer family and friends in abundance!



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