

Business Notes

Newest technology will aid local dental patients



Dr. Scheuerman is shown using the digital 3D camera, that is part of the new CEREC® system, on patient Audeen Wagner, aided by Dental Assistant Tiffany Ruby. Top Right: A digital image of the tooth is shown on a screen. Bottom Right: The milling machine loaded with blank prior to starting it.

Ever had to get a crown for a bad tooth? Don't you hate how you have to have that impression stuff in your mouth, then get a temporary crown that just doesn't feel right? Then, as if that's not bad enough, you have to miss work or fun to come back for a second visit to get the permanent crown? Vernonia Dental just changed all that.

Dr. Chris Scheuerman is now one of only three dental offices in Oregon to have a CEREC® system. After he heard of the system he kept in touch with Sirona Dental Systems, which makes CEREC®, because he could see the benefit to his patients that the system can provide. "A lot of people think we can't get the latest and greatest all the way out here in Vernonia, but this shows we do have cutting edge technology right here," stated

Dr. Scheuerman.

CEREC® is a system that uses a digital 3D camera to make a digital picture of a tooth that needs onlay or inlay fillings, veneers or crowns. Once the digital picture is on the computer screen, the preparation of the tooth (the drilling) occurs as usual. After the tooth is prepared, another digital picture is taken and overlaid with the first picture. Then it can be manipulated by Dr. Scheuerman to define the edges and even add back in any portion of the tooth that has been worn down or broken off. When the doctor is satisfied with the system's proposed restoration, a blank block of the correctly colored porcelain is loaded into the milling machine. The milling machine then takes the information from the computer image and automatically shapes

the restoration. CEREC® even gives the estimated time to completion. In about 15 minutes, the restoration is ready to be permanently attached.

Dr. Scheuerman has always liked to use the latest technology. "I love technology. My dad has been working with computers since before I was born. He set up the computer program at Northern Arizona University in Flagstaff in 1972," Dr. Scheuerman said, "I was really, really excited about this technology."

No taking an impression, no sending it to the lab to make the crown, no temporary crown, no return visits. Now, that's a good use of technology.

Vernonia Dental is located at 622 Bridge St. They are open Monday through Thursday, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. For an appointment, call 503-429-0880.

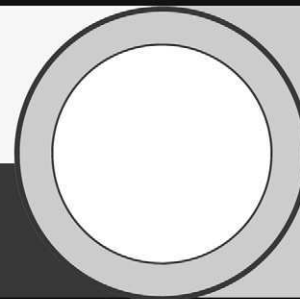
Schenks move to Oregon Realty

Oregon Realty Company have announced that Henk and Nancy Schenk have joined the company at their Vernonia Branch. Oregon Realty Co. is one of the largest, locally owned and operated real estate companies in Oregon and is recognized as a leader in the real estate profession. The Vernonia Branch, located at 825 Bridge Street, has operated since 1992.

Nancy Shenk has been in the real estate business since 1968. She loves helping people secure their dreams and goals of home ownership. Her vast experience includes escrow, title and mortgage brokerage.

She is a graduate of Vernonia High School and returned to her "roots", from Hawaii and Alaska in 1995.

Henk joined Nancy in real estate sales in 2006. Prior to his career move, Henk was a professional hi-tech mover for over 30 years. He enjoys helping people find their perfect home!. His hobby is wrestling and helping the youth in our community. Henk, a two-time Olympian (1968 and 1972) in Greco-Roman and Free-Style wrestling, and a ten time National Champion, recently started volunteering his time with the Vernonia High School wrestling team.



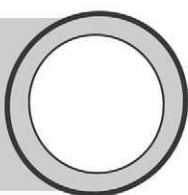
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