

DENTAL IMPLANTS

Success over the long haul is our ultimate destination

Jessie and Russell French have been married for twenty-two years. Mr. and Mrs. French have driven an eighteen-wheeler together for seventeen of those twenty-two years. They are the elite of trucking, hauling hazardous loads and explosives.

Those many years on the road together have essentially made them one. They are a sweet, loving couple that we met seven years ago in 1998. Russell and Jessie both needed extensive dental treatment. They agreed to do the treatment together, which required dental implants, bone grafting, fixed crown and bridge and overdentures.

On a recent visit they remembered the things they couldn't do before their treatment. Jessie says, "When we went out to eat I couldn't order just anything off the menu. I had to really look and see what would be easy to eat. I was always suffering with denture adhesives and ill-fitting dentures. Now I can go to any restaurant and order anything I want off the menu. I am worry free and we both feel healthier."

Russell follows, "The most irritating thing about eating was that food stuck in my teeth. Now we can both eat anything and we especially love corn on the cob and apples. I am a diabetic and I was a smoker before dental treatment. I had a lot of bone loss and really bad gums. Before my dental treatment Dr. Jirik told me if I didn't quit smoking it would be a waste of both his time and

mine. So I listened to him and I can now proudly say I have quit smoking for seven years. I really appreciate his honesty and encouragement to quit." Mr. French concludes, "Seven years ago we started the search for healthy smiles. Today we don't take them for granted. We see Dr. Jirik every six months. The office staff has always made us feel comfortable and we think the world of Dr. Jirik. He has changed our lives."

"The best part of being a dentist is seeing happy patients like the French's year after year enjoying life and knowing you were a part of that success story. They made a decision to change their smiles and realized that an unswerving commitment like ours, to quality and long lasting results, pays off down the road," states Dr. Jirik. "I was especially proud of Mr. French for beating his smoking habit not only for his dental health, but due to his diabetes and general health altogether."

Long-term success for our patients is the key to our practice. Patients like the French's who suffer with poor dental health are continually exposed to new products, techniques, and dentists. Some of these options may be revolutionary while many others unfortunately prove to be inferior at best.

With nineteen years of experience in the field of dentistry we can help advise

you on the best long term, simple and safe options for treatment.

Our dedication to staying abreast of these innovations, combined with our experience, allows us to help our patients make sound decisions that will stand the test of time.

Financing is often a roadblock for patients considering implant dentistry to correct their dental conditions. Sometimes the longest distance between two points is a short cut. Many treatment options can be less expensive but how will your smile look in ten years? The French's are still smiling with no bumps in the road seven

years later because they were dedicated to going the distance and invested in a good foundation for their dental dreams.

They insure their investment with routine maintenance recall visits so their smiles and dental health continue to remain carefree.

The French's are retired from trucking now. These days they spend their time together without the detours of pain, worry and embarrassment of the past. They rest assured, confident they have made the right turns. Jessie and Russell know their healthy smiles will last over the long haul.



Seated Left to Right: Pam, Kim, Dr. Jirik, Bobbie, Charlann.
Standing Left to Right: Susan, Becky, Haley, Amanda.

Samuel F. Jirik, D.D.S.

Dr. Samuel F. Jirik is an Arkansas native and long time Cabot resident. He and his wife, Kim, have two children, William, 11, and Annalise, 8. Dr. Jirik has been practicing dentistry since 1986 and has placed and restored more than 3,000 dental implants since 1989.

Dr. Jirik received a

Bachelor of Science degree in Health Science from the University of Arkansas in Little Rock. His dental degree was obtained from the University of Tennessee Center for Health Sciences in 1986.

Dr. Jirik recently spoke after former Arkansas Razorback Football Coach, Lou Holtz, at a dental conference in Kansas City.

He holds positions such as:

- Diplomate, American Board of Oral Implantology/Implant Dentistry
- Fellow, American Academy of Implant Dentistry
- American Academy of Cosmetic Dentistry
- Past President, American Academy of Implant Dentistry, Southern District
- Fellow, American Academy of General Dentistry
- Past President, Society for the Preservation of Oral Health
- American Dental Association
- Arkansas State Dental Association

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