

Josephsen Dental Embracing Change the Old-Fashioned Way

Helping patients at one location for thirty years speaks volumes about trust, stability and relationships.

Drs. Alfred and Gregory Josephsen of Josephsen Family Dental in West Caldwell dedicate their days to combining the values of good old-fashioned patient care while simultaneously integrating today's wonderful and exciting new dental care technologies.

Trained at Tufts University and the Johns Hopkins Medical Center, Dr. Greg, who recently joined his dad in their practice, characterizes their continuum of care as "seamless."

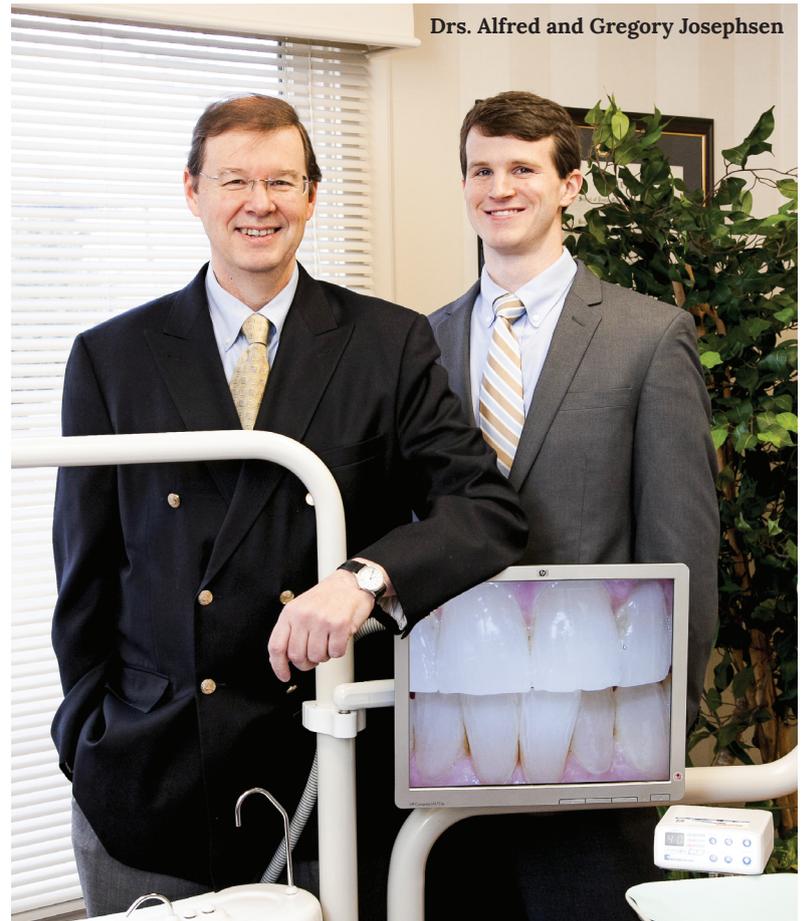
"One could suppose that a longtime practice like my dad's might be content with yesterday's ways of doing things. It is commendable that my dad has not only kept up with the advances in techniques, materials and diagnostics, but he has continued his dental education while in practice, having earned his Fellowship status in both the Academy of General Dentistry and the International College of Implantologists," states Dr. Greg.

Of his son, Dr. Al is understandably quite proud and genuinely honored that Dr. Greg has joined him in practice. "I admire what Dr. Greg has already accomplished in dentistry, such as, his selection as a Peer Clinical Instructor for fellow classmates up at Tufts. He was integral in Tuft's 2013 Dental Care Mission to the Dominican Republic. And, of course, his Dental Residency down at Hopkins speaks for itself. Residencies in dentistry are not required," he continued, "but as I know from my own past experiences as an Attending Doctor and Chief of Dental Residents at St. Joseph's Hospital, that the additional training and experience gained in his Residency are simply invaluable for patient care."

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The Josephsen's office at 31 Harrison Avenue has been a pillar in West Caldwell since 1965 and the days of Dr. Roger Post, for whom Dr. Al took over in 1984 upon completing his residencies. Born and raised in town, it was a very natural transition for both Dr. Josephsens to practice locally. "Our West Essex area offers so many opportunities to give back to our community," says Dr. Greg. "My dad served as the School Dentist here in town for decades and outside of the office, he has been coaching youth sports at a high level since the days that I played. Even today, he continues to coach travel basketball and American Legion Baseball programs. I look forward to continuing that tradition, too", he added.



Drs. Alfred and Gregory Josephsen

"There are so many changes coming at all of us so fast within health care and dentistry, from restorative materials and techniques to third party reimbursement and just about everything in between. One thing that I know will never change for my dad and me is the importance of preventive and interceptive care. Prevention is at the root of our philosophy and practice."

"This is a very exciting time to be practicing the art and science of dentistry," Dr. Al continued, "but it can also be a confusing time for some folks, flooded by advertising and perhaps pressured by changes in their dental plans, or no insurance at all."

"We are very humbled by the generations of patients who entrust us with their care. The word 'doctor' comes from the word 'educator.' That's what we do. We like to make friends and it is our privilege to help our patients decide the best care for each individual in order to maintain their teeth, health and smiles for a lifetime," says Dr. Al. And that's a goal they'll never change.

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