

Giving Back A Smile

If you don't have a smile, I'll give you one of mine.

—Author Unknown

The author of this particular quote is unknown; however it easily could be one of two very handsome and altruistic local dentists,

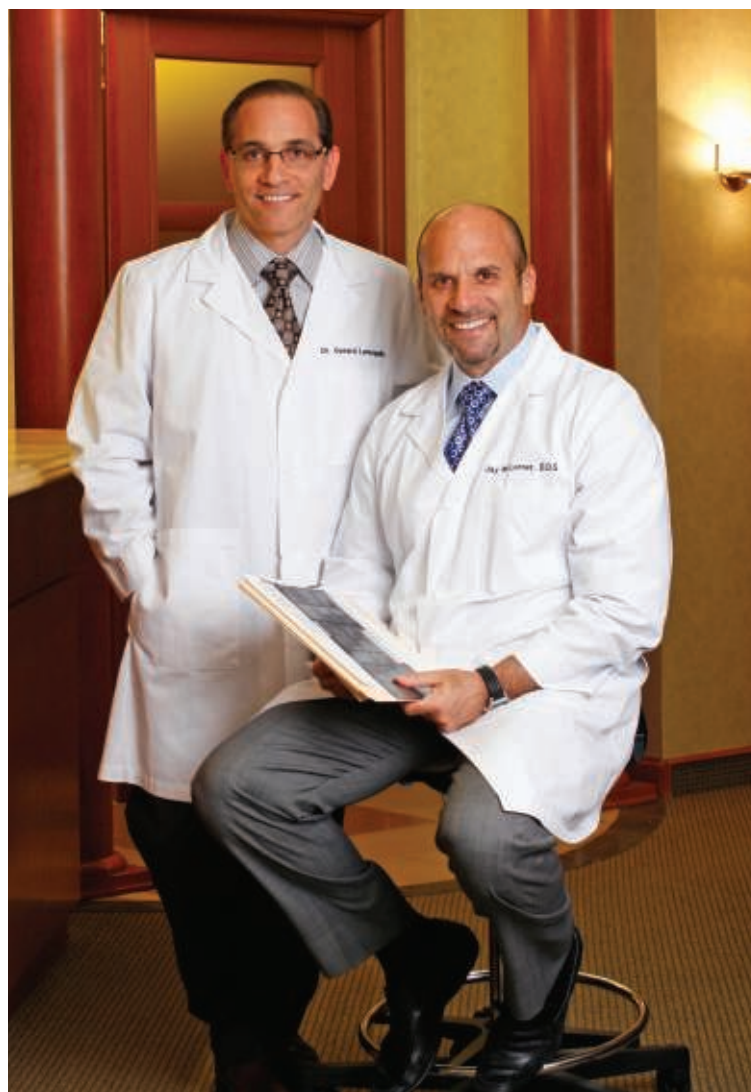
Dr. Jay M. Lerner or **Dr. Gerard J. Lemongello**.

Absolute confidence in the appearance of your teeth is one of the greatest reasons to smile. As a patient of Drs. Lerner and Lemongello, you will receive the highest level of care along with the latest techniques in cosmetic and restorative dentistry, utilizing the most advanced technology available today. Whether you are looking for a complete smile makeover or other dental procedures such as tooth whitening, porcelain veneers, tooth color restorations, crowns and bridges or Invisalign, you will be treated with the utmost of care in their highly capable hands.

Drs. Lerner and Lemongello realize how life changing a smile makeover can be and take pride in improving people's self confidence and self image. They also understand how powerful the gift of a new smile is which is why they have chosen to give of their talent and time to improve the lives of others through a unique charity called "**Give Back a Smile**" (GBAS).

The GBAS program is the charitable foundation of the **American Academy of Cosmetic Dentistry** which provides cosmetic dental care to survivors of domestic violence who have suffered damage to, or lost, their smiles at the hands of an intimate partner or spouse.

One such case was that of a young woman from Altamont Springs, Florida, who had a troubled past. As a young woman she became involved in an abusive relationship. With the help of those around her she moved on from this unfortunate situation and got her life back on track. "When this pretty 26-year-old looked in the mirror she was reminded of the scars of the past because she had lost her front teeth from the physical abuse" said Dr. Lemongello.



Dr. Gerard J. Lemongello and Dr. Jay M. Lerner

"We were able to change her life and help her smile again with confidence" added Dr. Lerner. Her Smile Makeover was completed with Porcelain veneers and all Porcelain Bridges.

Now when she looks in the mirror she sees the beautiful young woman she is both inside and out. With the help of the America Academy of Cosmetic Dentistry, the Give Back a Smile Foundation, Adrian Jurim from Jurim Dental Studios in New York and Drs. Lerner and Lemongello she can smile radiantly into her future.

"It is very fulfilling to create such beautiful smiles and change lives" said Dr. Lemongello.

Survivors who have suffered dental injuries from an abusive former intimate partner or spouse can learn more about GBAS online at www.givebackasmile.com or contact GBAS toll-free at 800.773.GBAS (4227).

Drs. Lerner and Lemongello have also supported other local charities, including Susan G. Komen and the Leukemia Lymphoma Society.

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