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Medically "What the Doctor Knows For Sure" Vincent P. Basilice, M.D., P.C. – Medical Director

Advantages of Ziemer Femtosecond Laser Technology

Increased speed and lower energy which means:

Faster healing, clearer vision in a shorter time, and enhanced overall safety

1. Femtosecond laser technology reduces the risk of flap complications associated with mechanical microkeratomes
2. Reduces opaque bubble layers and inflammation
3. Ziemer's femtosecond lasers are designed to be gentle on the eyes delivering:
 - *Precise low-energy pulses* – an ultra-high repetition rate greater than 1 megahertz with a duration of 3/10,000 of a nanosecond
 - *Fast* – a higher repetition rate, greater than 1 MHz creating incisions for a faster and cleaner surgery.
 - *Overlapping spots* – this unique continuous method of overlapping low-energy laser spots speeds up procedures, and eliminates tricky tissue bridges. Clean incisions minimize complications because tissue separates easily.
4. Bladeless.
5. Only topical anesthetics are required, leading to quick healing, less risk of infection and other complications, and no need for stitches.



Happy
Labor
Day!

Happy Birthday To Our
Staff Members:
Simone, Susie, Kim,
Debbie & Dr. Basilice

Islets of Humor

By Theresa Garnero



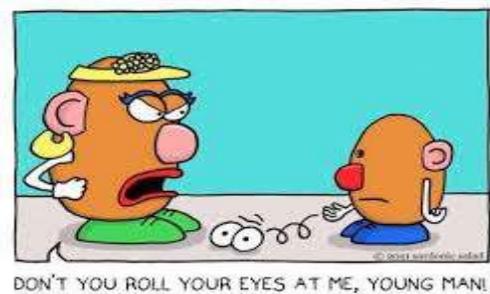
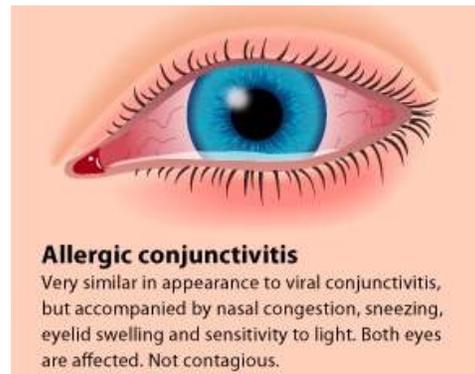
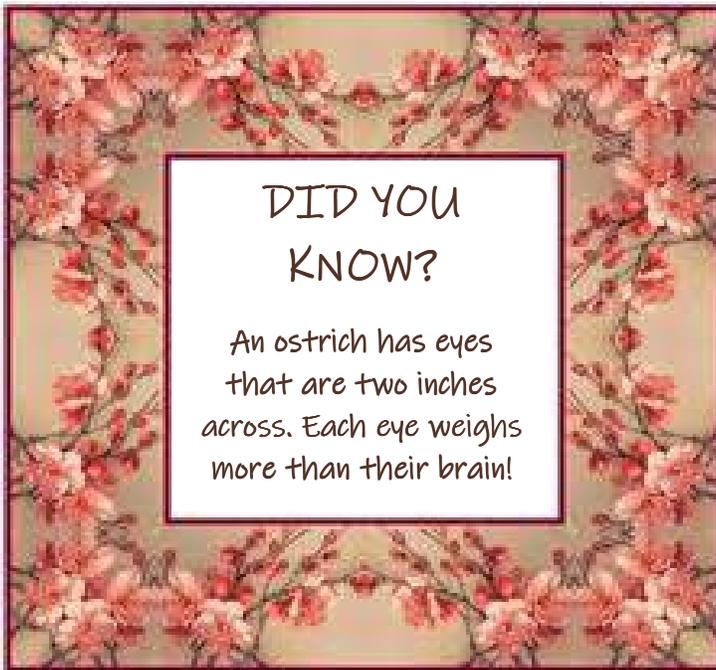


Ask the Doctor: Alex Schaffer, O.D.

“What causes eye allergies?”

Allergic conjunctivitis is the most common allergic eye disorder. This condition is usually seasonal and is associated with hay fever. The main cause is pollen, although indoor allergens may affect the eyes any time of year. The most common eye allergy symptom is itchy eyes, which may be accompanied by one or more of the following: redness, tearing, burning, watery discharge, and eyelid swelling.

Many people believe that their systemic allergy medication can provide them relief from all their allergy symptoms, but often the eyes need something more. Systemic medication can also cause the eyes to become very dry, so often adding an eye drop is the better option. If an over the counter antihistamine drop doesn't help you, such as Naphcon A, - the treatment of choice for allergic eyes could then be cured with a prescription antihistamine drop such as Pazeo. More severe conditions may require a topical steroid drop.



What Dr. Basilice's wife, Dahna, knows for sure:
There will only be peace in the world when the "power to love" is greater than the "love of power".