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Dear Alabama Jewelers Association Members,

Summer is here. It won't be long until our Fall selling season is upon us. Before the hustle-bustle starts up, I would encourage you to take a weekend off to relax. Join your fellow jewelers on September 26-29 in Orange Beach, Alabama at the Island House Hotel for AJA's annual Saltwater Seminar.

September is a great time to take a break and put your toes in the sands of our beautiful Gulf of Mexico. This is a great time to relax and network with your fellow jewelers to be ready for the upcoming Holiday Season. This is a wonderful event you don't want to miss.

Let me end in saying what a Great Annual Convention we had this past April. Thank you to all that attended, advertised or sponsored that event. We had the best attendance that we have had in years due to being back in Birmingham and the low cost of attending. Please mark your calendars now for April 17-19, 2020.

Sincerely, Marshall Sanford, AJA President





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2019-2020 Calendar of

AUGUST 10-12, 2019

Atlanta Jewelry Show Atlanta, GA

SEPTEMBER 26-29, 2019

AJA Saltwater Seminar Island House Hotel Orange Beach, AL

OCTOBER 4-7, 2019

Jewelers International Showcase (JIS) Miami Beach, FL

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FEBRUARY 5-8, 2020

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FEBRUARY 29-MARCH 3, 2020

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Saltwater 2019 September 26-29

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Burglar Alarm Systems For Jewelers: Understanding Line Supervision And Security

Brought To You By Jewelers Mutual Insurance Company

Peace of mind may be hard to come by when your business is closed for the night.

That's where burglar alarms for jewelry businesses come into play — but not all are created equal.

Underwriter's Laboratories (UL), an authority in the security industry, certifies alarms and may apply two terms related to how they function.

In these systems, the terms line supervision and line security may often be confused with one another. Here's what they mean and why they are important for jewelers to have:

LINE SUPERVISION

This is a capability of alarm systems that provides a two-way communication exchange between a protected business and an alarm monitoring center, sometimes referred to as the "check-in".

How often the check-ins at the business occur depends on what is being protected. For instance, a jewelry operation closed for the night may require a check-in once every 200 seconds.

LINE SECURITY

When added to a burglar alarm system, this provides extra assurance that advertent and inadvertent attempts to compromise the alarm communication channel between a protected property and its monitoring station won't go undetected.

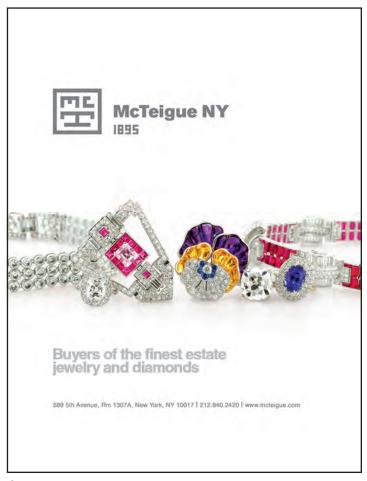
Having a reliable burglar alarm system for your jewelry business means that line supervision and line security must be an operational component for complete protection.

WANT TO LEARN MORE?

Take an in-depth look at line supervision and security by reading UL's latest burglar alarm system article.

Article written by a team of Subject Matter Experts at Jewelers Mutual Insurance Group.





Vodka Slush

16 Ounce Can Orange Juice

1 Cup Sugar

26 Ounce Cans Lemonade (Frozen)

26 Ounce Cans Limeade (Frozen)

3 1/2 Cups Water

2 Cups Vodka

Mix all ingredients together and put into freezer in a bowl. Freeze for 1 day, stirring ocasionally. To serve, fill glass 3/4 full with slush then finish off with 7-Up or Sprite.

Watermelon Salsa

Half Watermelon - Chopped
1/4 to 1/2 Cup Each Red. Yellow & Green Pepper - Diced (To Taste)
2 Jalapeno Peppers - Seeded & Chopped
1/4 Cup Red Onion - Diced
Cilantro - Chopped (To Taste)
Juice of 2 Limes
Salt & Pepper

Mix together and refrigerate for several hours. Serve with tortilla scoops. dome. Refrigerate at least 4 hours. Store in refrigerator.

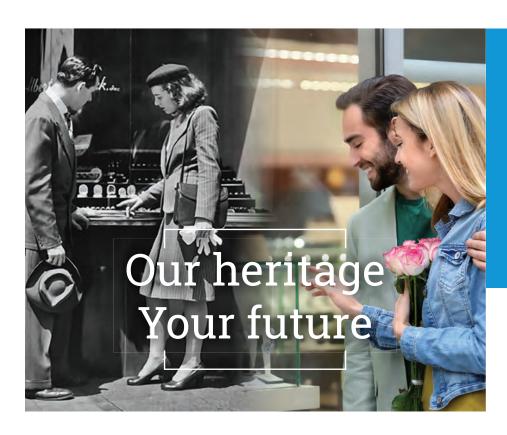
Recipes

Strawberry Bottom Cheesecake

4 Oz. Cream Cheese - Softened 1/4 Cup Sugar 1/2 Cup Sour Cream 1 1/2 Cups Frozen Whipped Topping - Thawed 1 Keebler Shortbread Pie Crust 2 Cups Sliced Fresh Strawberries

Glaze: 2 Tablespoons Cornstarch 3/4 Cup Sugar 1 Cup Water 1/4 Small Strawberry Jell-o

In a small mixing bowl beat cream cheese and sugar on medium speed until fluffy. Odd sour cream. Beat until combined. Fold in whipped topping and set aside. Mix constarch and sugar together well in a saucepan. Odd water. bring to a boil, add Jello-o. thicken. stirring continuously. Cool, add strawberries and toss together. Spoon into crust. Spread cream cheese mixture over berries. Cover with inverted dome. Refrigerate at least 4 hours. Store in refrigerator.



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Jewelers of America Partners with MJM Global Brokerage Group for Health Care Benefit

Courtesy Of Jewelers Of America

ew York, NY – Jewelers of America (JA), the national trade association for businesses serving the fine jewelry marketplace, has announced a partnership with MJM Global, a provider of reliable insurance for all types of commercial and personal risk to the jewelry industry, to offer access to health care option for its Retail and Supplier Member companies. Through this partnership, JA Members now have access to a simplified enrollment process and affordable health care plans for as few as two individuals.

"We know accessing competitive health care rates and administrating health plans for small to mid-size jewelry businesses is a major challenge. We believe MJM Global has provided the right solution that will benefit employers, employees and their families. This new member benefit could be a game changer for Jewelers of America Members, because health care management is becoming increasingly expensive and complex to navigate, and JewelersHealthCare.com removes these obstacles," says Jewelers of America President & CEO David J. Bonaparte.

JewelersHealthCare.com, launched by MJM Global, offers services beyond health care plans. Through the offering, jewelry businesses can see immediate savings, experience simple enrollment, and understand their true cost of health care.

- Offering more health care coverage solutions for as few as two individuals
- Reducing health care costs for their business, employees and families, including lower out-ofpocket expenses
- Providing transparency on the true cost of health care
- Offering flexible benefits and wellness solutions
- Simplifying the process of enrolling in health care for both the employer and employee
- Receiving an average of 8-12% savings with all plans at or lower than Affordable Care Act (ACA) open market

MJM Global launched JewelersHealthcare.com to help the jewelry industry see significant savings on one of their largest business expenses, and turn an otherwise complicated health insurance buying process into an easy system. MJM Global serves the insurance needs of more than 3,000 businesses, professionals and households throughout the United States and abroad and is a member of the Independent Insurance Agents of America (IIAA) and the National Association of Professional Insurance Agents (PIA).

"Ninety-seven percent of Americans do not know what their insurance covers, and the process of shopping for and enrolling in coverage remains a significant burden to employers and employees. This partnership between Jewelers of America and MJM Global offers a solution to jewelry companies looking for access to competitive insurance rates," explains MJM Global Insurance Vice Present Richard Reiman.

Jewelers of America will be hosting an informational webinar on June 13, 2019. Jewelers of America Members should visit, https://www.jewelers.org/ja/page/healthcare to learn more about the webinar and JewelersHealthCare.com.











Congratulations Taylor & Devin Sherrer



Congratulations to Taylor & Devin Sherrer on the birth of their son, Brock Evan.



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Candace Wade Levy's Fine Jewelry Birmingham, AL

Oval Light Purple Agate Housed In A 14 KT White And Rose Gold Basket Of Diamonds



CATEGORY 3

1st Place

Blake Turner

Hayes Jewelry Mobile, AL

Hour Glass Design Pendant With Trillion Color Change CZs And Round Diamonds Set In 14 KT



CATEGORY 1

1st Place

Natalya Douglas Hayes Jewelry Mobile, AL



Non-Magnetic Hematite Beads And Miyuki Seed Beads With Sterling Catch

CATEGORY 2

1st Place

Robert Levy

Levy's Jewelry Birmingham, AL



Cushion Cut Tanzanite Set Strategically In A Concave 18 KT Yellow Gold Frame That Reflects Either Yellow Gold Or Purplish Blue, Depending On The Angle, With Accent Diamonds

CAD DESIGN

1st Place

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Foley, AL



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Free Form Opal And Diamond Pendant Set In 14 KT Yellow Gold



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- We are a non-profit association that promotes professionalism and high ethical standards of business practice in the jewelry trade.
- Our mission is to provide educational programs and services to improve the knowledge and skills of our members who share common goals in growing their business.
- Membership in AJA lends credibility and professionalism to your store and accentuates your image as a professional jeweler.
- Annual spring convention features leading industry experts and educators to update you and your staff while enjoying professional networking and fellowship opportunities with other retail jewelers and suppliers.

- Annual jewelry design competition.
- FedEx shipping savings of up to 42% available to retail jewelry members through our special state association discount program with FedEx.
- Lifetime Member Award.
- Associate of the Year Award.
- Bi-Annual Newsletter.
- Annual Yearbook and Member Directory.

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