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Dear Paul,

Thank you for your continued interest in my newsletter. I welcome suggestions for improvements and discussion topics. Please browse through the links in the right hand column. These links will connect you to a lot of very useful jewelry-related information.

Advanced Diamond Grading Seminar Report

While most of you were in Connecticut enduring 95 degree temperatures, I was in Carlsbad, California attending the first ever "Advanced Diamond Grading Seminar". The seminar was held on July 17-18 at the World Headquarters of the Gemological Institute of America (GIA). In attendance were 24 of the top jewelry appraisers in the country. The instructors were the finest GIA has to offer. The seminar covered advanced clarity grading, diamond treatments, synthetic diamonds and many other topics. There were spirited discussions and everyone went away feeling like they learned or re-learned a great del of information. The highlight for many of us was the tour of the GIA Gem Trade Laboratory. This is the lab that produces the GIA "Certs" that are the standard of diamond and gemstone grading excellence in the entire world. They explained in detail the strategies they use to maintain consistent grading in their labs across the globe. It was a very impressive and fascinating tour.

Summer Jewelry Care

From the Jewelry Information Center.

Summertime calls for bold jewelry. However, it is important to protect your jewelry during these warm summer months. Here are some simple tips that will keep your jewelry sparkling all summer long:

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Remove all jewelry before going into a hot tub or swimming pool. The chlorine can damage and discolor metals such as gold and platinum and can slowly erode the finish and polish of gemstones. Remove all jewelry before entering salt water as it can have the same effect as chlorine on your fine jewelry. After wearing your fine jewelry,

wipe it down with a clean, soft, slightly damp cloth. This will enhance the jewelry's luster and will ensure that it is clean before storage. Remove all jewelry before showering, cleaning, applying lotions, and sunscreen. These products cause a film to form on your jewelry, making it appear dull and dingy. Store your jewelry in a clean, dry place. Keep your jewelry in a fabric-lined jewelry case, or in a box with compartments and dividers to prevent pieces from scratching each other. After the season, take it to a reputable jeweler and have it professionally cleaned to maintain the luster and sparkle of your precious baubles.

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