## 15 ways to get rid of old inventory

1. Have a showcase to set aside a grouping of old items and discount them. Call the case:
a. Say good bye to our old friends case
b. Extreme value case
2. Double or triple the commission on old items, in the case, or not.
3. If you've never tried commission, now's the perfect time. Try $5-10 \%$ of the sold price.
4. Split the profit on old merchandise with the sale with the sales person who sold it.
5. Place a certain percentage, $5-10 \%$, of the selling price of old merchandise in a pool and split it amongst the sales staff at the end of the month.
6. You could have \#5 above but make it more enticing by giving the top salesperson extra percentage or a bigger SHARE of the pot if they sold the most old merchandise.
7. Tell the staff you want a certain percentage of the selling price, they can have anything above that number they get. Example: A $\$ 500$ items sells for $\$ 1000$. You want $60 \%$ of the selling price, $\$ 600$. If they sell it for $\$ 7250$, they get $\$ 120$ and you get $\$ 600$.
8. If you have too many in a higher price point, lower the retail price, forcing it into a lower price point (print new tag) and put back out. It's a sale but doesn't scream sale. So if you have too much in the $\$ 400-\$ 499$ area and $\$ 300-$ $\$ 399$ is doing well, in fact you need to order MORE there, don't! Just take some of the "too many" items out of \$499-\$499 and move them into the $\$ 300$ to $\$ 399$. Will save cash flow, won't have to BUY anything.
9. Return to vendor for exchange. In the future have signed on all orders "If not sold after 12 months can be returned for " X to 1 " exchange on future orders."
10. Take apart, keep diamonds for repairs and custom design, send gold off for either money or credit with:
a. Roseco
800-527-4490
b. Hoover \& Strong
800-759-9997

Let them have the credit on file and buy your findings and gold stock from them from the credit. Immediately positive to cash flow.

Send old merchandise to a company who will:
a. Take the stones out, return them to you, buy the gold.
b. Will buy the gold and stones at some price and give you a check.
c. You take the stones out, sell the gold, send the diamonds off to be bought from you.
Suggested Companies:
Company:WORLDWIDE DIAMOND CO.
Contact:Bob Wiener
Address:

607 S. Hill St. \#81
Los Angeles, California
USA, 90014
Phone:1 8007644367 Fax: 213622-2196
Web Site: http://www.wwdiamond.com
They will buy the whole shoot' $n$ match.

## Company:PAUL REISER AND ASSOCIATES

Contact:Paul Reiser
Address:
P.O. Box 1595

Green Bay, Wisconsin
USA, 54305
Phone:1 8774754367 Fax: 920432-5797

Paul's Closing Precious Metal Prices for 1-22-07
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Gold: 633.00 Silver: 12.92 Platinum: 1160.00
10K $\$ 12.47$ per DWT $100 \%$ Payment using the Closing
$14 \mathrm{~K} \$ 17.22$ per DWT Prices on the day merchandise is 16K $\$ 20.89$ per DWT received. We phone that day with
$18 \mathrm{~K} \$ 22.28$ per DWT results so you know payment is
22K $\$ 26.59$ per DWT forthcoming.
24K $\$ 30.45$ per DWT
Platinum $\$ 48.72$ per DWT
Sterling Silver: $\$ 10.34$ per Ounce
US $90 \%$ Silver Coins: Pay $\$ 8.80$ All amounts welcomed.
US \& Foreign Gold and Silver Coins: Phone for quotes.
We purchase diamond melee set into mounted jewelry.
No need to break diamonds while trying to remove. Ask for our "BLUE SHEET". (Prices we pay for diamonds) . 30 to 4.00 carats

To Trade your scrap gold for 1 Ounce American Gold Eagles or a 1 ounce Canadian Gold Maple Leaf you will need: 53 DWT of $10 \mathrm{~K}, 39 \mathrm{DWT}$ of 14 K , and/or 30 DWT of 18 K gold scrap.

Questions? Simply call 877-475-4367

Company:TULSA GOLD \& GEMS
Contact:. E.W.Fisher

Address:
2431 E. 51st St. \#704
Tulsa, Oklahoma
USA, 74105
Phone:1 8002220573 Fax: 918742-5042

Buys melee, prefers . 10 cts and up, at least I1 or better.
11. Barter for advertising. Radio loves to give away stuff and some will trade jewelry for radio time.
12. Barter for barter dollars-get other good stuff you need:
a. www.itex.com
b. Illinois Trade Association

Gabriele Albrecht-Buehler
7449 N. Natchez, Niles, IL 60714
(847) 588-1818 x110 Fax: (847) 588-1573
email: gabrieleb@itatrade.com
www.illinoistrade.com
13. Have a sale where "If it reaches 100 degrees on July $4^{\text {th }}$, we will refund all purchases". Paid by insurance, costs $8-12 \%$ of sales.
WKF \& C Agency

## Laura Glass 631-756-3000

14. Professional Sale:

Silverman's Bob Epstein: 800-347-3258 Ext 101
Profit Plus, Inc. Mark Preston
2748 Perry St.
Denver, CO 80212
1-(800)-600-8064
In Colorado 1-(303)-477-3363
Fax: 1-(303)-433-0833
e-mail address: profitplussales@comcast.net
www.4profitplus.com
15. Charity Auction
a. Close the store Wednesday
b. Auction is Thursday through Saturday, ending at 2 pm .
c. Merchandise over a year old is on auction.
d. Send out direct mail to customers, advertise to the public, hopefully paper \& radio.
e. Contact a charity to sponsor.
f. Charity gets $10 \%$ of total sales as calculated on Saturday (hopefully they will advertise to their list too).
g. They also get $\$ 5$ for every "Bid Card" sold, see below.
h. Contact vendors and get their old inventory, hopefully at their cost.
i. Tape on the counter small cards, maybe $3 \times 5$ ". It will have a place for:

- Sku number
- Description
- Original selling price
- $\quad$ Starting bid, which is 5\% below your cost.
- A line for bid Card \# and the Bid amount

Might look like this:

| Sku No: | 123-87655 | 14 kt Bl Sapphire rings, $4-.08 \mathrm{ct}$ sapphires with 8 pear shaped diamonds, $1 / 2$ ct t.w. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Retail: | \$1000 | Starting bid: $\quad \$ 450.00$ |
| Bid \# | Bid Amount |  |
|  | \$ |  |
|  | \$ |  |
|  | \$ |  |
|  | \$ |  |

j. Get printed 2 copy NCR forms for the bid cards. Bid crds are for two purposes:

- To keep just "anyone" from writing some number.
- Other customers can't see the name of who's bidding.
k. Bid card is numerically numbers and might look like this


## Bid Card \# 12345

Your Name $\qquad$
Street:
City, State, Zip
Phones (H) $\qquad$ (O) $\qquad$ © $\qquad$
When biding, please use your bid number.
Rules of the auction are:

- Auction is Thurs-Sat, ending at 2 pm . Store closes at 6pm Saturday.
- You have to be here between 2-5pm on Saturday to get the item you bid on if you are the highest bidder.
- If the highest bidder doesn't obtain the auctioned item on Saturday by 5 pm , we will give second highest bidder from 5pm to 6 pm to obtain the item they bid on.
-Items picked up must be paid for by cash/check/credit card.
$\bullet$ No refunds nor exchanges. No charge sizing up or down 1 size. Normal charges above that
- Items not bought/picked up on Monday will be given to charity or melted and will not be available for purchase after the event is over.

