

July 21, 2017 Annual SSIA Membership Meeting

Presidents Welcome Message

Welcome Message

List of Gold, Bronze and Silver supporters

Introduction of the Captain and a History of the Queen Mary

Moment of Silence for those who have passed away since last convention.

Mr. Mamoukakis- Mike's Shoe Repair NY closed Sept 11th killed in biking accident

Glen DiMauro- Italian cobbler Ohio

Paige Sorrell- Daughter of Lisa Sorrell Sorrell Custom Boots- OK

George Konomos- Konomos Leather Kansas

Norman Halberg- Original Owner of Miami Leather in FL

Lorraine Hoffman- Owner of Hotco

Certificate of Appreciation of Volunteers

210 Foundation Christina Wilcot

Introduction of what 210 is and what they can do for the repairers. Also, what the repairers can do in volunteering.

Bylaws- Motion to accept a waiver to allow Sandra to serve one more year to give a young board time to learn.

Motion was presented by a member of the audience (didn't know who and no one around me did). It was Seconded by Gene Burton and all approved.

Don Rinaldi speech on the importance of family. Shoe repair Suppliers, wholesalers and repairers are family and we should be supporting each other. ISachs is no longer in business, but that doesn't mean he isn't a family member any longer. We as a group need to support him.

Kevin D **Financial Report** – Treasurer John McLaughlin Extensive report for the members. Total as stated yesterday

_We need to help each other to learn and grow together to be a healthier industry as a whole. Let's put the pettiness behind us and work on building a better and healthier industry for all.

IRA- Why are we stock piling \$108,000?

Paul- Replied that at the time we were hemorrhaging money. There wasn't enough to do any advertising and couldn't sustain ourselves. The board can now continue to come up with ways to make the money work for

everyone. The Repair with Pink, Shoe Repair week, Media Kits, posters available on line to print are all ideas we've done so far and now can come up with more.

There was a comment on the floor about having the Silver Cup every year since the winners and the industry gets press. The expenses are so great and the judges are all volunteers and the discussion on every year vs every two was had but no resolution was made.

Elections of vacant positions:

Paul Motioned to except the election of directors (I have no idea who seconded but you can put the name in if you Know)

Supplier member- Jessie Pasterneck

Wholesale member- Ed from Zitron

Repairer member- Sandra

ALL approved

John swore in the new board

Goodbye and plaques to Bill Konomos, Steve Dudaklian, and Paul Angelos

Meeting adjourned