

February 2013

What's happening this month?

February 3

NFL Superbowl

February 4

Recovery Day

February 14

Valentines Day

February 18

Presidents Day

February 29

Nothing



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Is your glass half full? By M. Grey

Just got back from another trade show and boy am I thirsty. It seems I must have walked every aisle at least 7 or 8 times and talked to everyone there. Why did I do that you might ask. Well, I will tell you.

While many were looking for new products on the market, I noticed that what was actually new and exciting was the attitudes of both buyers and vendors. It was refreshing to see this as the past few years have been challenging to say the least.

The first 2 days of the show were greeted with a mass of people. Most of the booths I saw were full and busy. This could mean several things. It could mean that some of the people were looking for change and some of them were new and looking at getting in to our industry. That would be fine with me.

This could bring good things for the near future. I sure hope so. The last day of the show was typical in that who really wants to be there during the NFL playoffs on a beautiful sunny day. It was great to just see old friends in the industry and talk about the way things are going.

As far as the glass being half full or half empty, I am just glad there is something in it.

Thanks to everyone that attended the Long Beach ISS show and stopped by to see us.

Cheers!



SPR Product Feature

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Tech Tip

Flasher on the Loose!

Almost every shop has some type of Flash Curing unit. Some infrared and others quartz. While some are used correctly, most are not. These units were designed to "Gel" the ink just enough to proceed with the next color. Adjustments should be made to accommodate each particular job. A common mistake is over-gelling and almost curing the ink. This creates several problems such as slow production, garment movement and ink layer adhesion issues. By testing the temperature and time and recording the data, you will be able to increase production on future jobs. This will not only yield more garments per hour but save money on pallet adhesive, electricity and scorched garments. Not to mention the occasional "Fried Pallet".

