Gild of Ancient Suppliers
of Gas Appliances, Skills, Gins, Accessories and Substance

HIS EXCELLENCY
THE MAYOR,
LARRY BROWN

SIDEBAR

March 2014

I hope everyone has kept warm during this tumultuous winter. I am pleased to rekindle the Gild Sidebar, this is the first in many years.

I am pleased to update you on the latest progress in revitalizing the Gild. It is our intention for all members to view their membership in the Gild as an esteemed honor. We realize many things have fallen to the wayside and we are working hard to recreate the level of nobility the Gild founders envisioned in creation of the Gild in 1937.

“Capes on Stage”
AGA Operations Conference
Orlando, FL
May 21-23 2013
The Gild continued its time honored tradition of publicly presenting its Annual Gild Award to Don Kopczynski, of Avista Corporation the AGA Operations Conference in Orlando, FL. Gild officers & Wardens attired in their Capes made the presentation while proudly presenting our Dixie Banner.

UPCOMING EVENTS……..

SGA Spring Gas Conference in Columbia, SC
The Gild will hold an informal function from 3-4pm Tuesday March 18 in conjunction with the SGA Spring Gas Conference at the Columbia Convention Center. I personally invite you to join fellow Gild members for this social gathering. The event takes place prior to the SGA Reception with Exhibitors. An email announcement with the exact location will be forwarded to all Gild members prior to the event.

CAPES……..

Keeper of the Treasure, Scott Kleppe, is collecting pictures of Gild Capes for a new seamstress to recreate the Gild cape design.

PINS……..

Asst. Keeper of the Treasure, Anne Blong, is in possession of Master, Yeoman, Apprentice and Villein pins and is in contact with the vendor used in past years to replenish the supply as needed. Shortly an order form will be available on the Gild website if you need to order a new pin.

MEMBERS……..

We are rebuilding the Gild membership database so that we can communicate better and have an updated list of members on the website. I ask that you please keep the Gild abreast of any changes to your contact information. You may email updates to: anne@supplersgild.org or utilize the “Update us” link on the Gild website.

THE GILD WEBSITE ………

I am happy to report that the new Gild Website will be up and running by the end of March, and continuing to expand and improve through the efforts of our Asst. Clerk and Keeper of the Treasure, Anne Blong and Clerk, Dean McGowan. The site will include the updated Gild Membership List, current Gild Officers, Gas Industry Related Events Calendar, Meeting Minutes, Forms, an online membership proposal form and more. We plan to have an online ordering page to order Gild Pins and additional Gild memorabilia.

The new site address is www.supplersgild.org
User Name: gildgas
Password: 51pine12

WHO’s WHO in the Gild……..

I have attached the current Gild Officers list to include the Aldermans, Wardens, Knights and Past Mayors. This list will also be kept current on the Gild website.
UPCOMING EVENTS......

The Gild will hold a Burgher Breakfast at the AGA Operations Conference at the Omni William Penn in Pittsburgh, PA. The Burgher breakfast will be held at 6:29AM on Wednesday morning, May 21, 2014 in the Monongahela Room, 17th Floor.

The cost of this years’ Burgher breakfast will be $65.00 each. We accept cash or checks made payable to Gild of Ancient Suppliers.

Following the breakfast, during the AGA’s General Session, the Great Council will go on stage for the annual “Gild Capes on Stage.”

There will also be a Great Council meeting Wednesday afternoon at 1:30pm in Vandergrift Room located on the Conference Level of the hotel (“CL”) on any elevator.

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A Quote from Aristotle Onassis:
“The secret of business is to know something that nobody else knows.”

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Did you hear about the two guys who stole a calendar? They each got six months.

With the Left Hand Truly,

Larry Brown
Mayor
OFFICERS OF THE GILD
2013 – 2015

Mayor…………………………………………………… Larry Brown
Senior Warden………………………………………….. Ed Young, Jr.
Clerk…………………………………………………….. Dean McGowan
Keeper of the Treasurer…………………………….. Scott Kleppe
Assist Clerk/Treasurer………………………………… Anne Blong
Historian…………………………………………………Lloyd Pirtle
Sergeant-At-Arms…………………………………… Scott Kranstuber
Town Crier……………………………………… ……… Oliver Klinger

Alderman:                                    Wardens:
Scott Dineen – Far West                      #1 Bill Murtaugh
George Lomax – Mid-Atlantic                  #2 Michelle Trapp
Carol Nolte – Northeast                      #3 Julie Boyd
Tony Spivey – Southeast                      #4 Jeb Bell
Brad Frantz – Midwest                        #5 Steve D’Amato
Bruce Barnett – Canada                       #6 Russ Schrey
Kris Kimmel – Southwest                      #7 Scott Vigil

Past Mayors:                                  Knights:
M.W. Heath, Jr……..PM XX                  W.O. Danhausen*
D.A. Crawford……..PM X XI                 P.D. Fowler*
W.A. Hamilton…….. PM XXII                W.F. Morris
E.W. Murray………..PM XXIII*               S.T. Roberson
S.L. Burns…………. PM XXIV                F.M. Chapman
J.R. Ducate, Jr……..PM XXV                 G.W. Burrell
G.F. Edwards, Jr…..PM XXVI*               Wayne Hennigar
Jim Donnelly……….PM XXVII                 R.W. Lyall*
D.H. Bettinghaus…..PM XXVIII               Gus Buchhalter
J.W. Lyall…………..PM XXIX
Bruce Hotze……….. PM XXX
Paul Wehnert………..PM XXXI
Dave Campbell…….. PM XXXII
Jim Micklos……….PM XXXIII