

# M.F. GRACE

## Mayor XVI 1977 - 1979

### OFFICERS

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| W. B. JOHNSON, JR. 1978 | W. O. DANHAUSEN, 1979 |
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SERGEANT AT ARMS  
J. W. ADAMS

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### WARDENS

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| DIST. 1 DON W. BYRNE     | DIST. 2 RALPH L. ALLEN    |
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| DIST. 5 JOHN C. LOWE     | DIST. 6 TRUMAN B. CLARK   |
| DIST. 7 MARTIN HELMUS    | DIST. 8 WILLIAM A. REID   |
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### ASST. CLERK

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Mike Grace is a native of Huntsville, Alabama. Received his B.S. degree in Industrial Management at Auburn University.

He was a salesman, Regional Manager, and National Sales Manager with the Grayson Controls Division Robertshaw Controls Company living in California, Texas, and Tennessee.

Served during WWII and Korea as a Captain in the Army Amphibious Engineers.

In 1969 Mike established APCOM, Inc. APCOM manufacturers control devices and accessories for the water heater industry.

He has served the Gild as Warden, Alderman, Sergeant-At-Arms, and Senior Warden before being elected Mayor.

He resides in Franklin, TN (near Nashville) with his wife Kitty. They have four children now grown and several grandchildren. Hobbies include golf, wine, and food.

## THE CHANGING SCENE

In this term many industry changes were made and in evidence.

The Gild was quick to cooperate in the change. The need for aggressive selling of equipment and service were a number one priority.

Pride in being a Suppler was emphasized at breakfast meetings, the high standards of the Gild to be maintained and the right to be a Suppler had to be earned.

In 1978 the financial position of the Gild was excellent.

A list of Gild qualified speakers were set up as a service to the industry.

His Hilarity Bill Johnson put together - a not to be forgotten Wassail celebrating the Gilds growth on "the Voyager" in New Orleans.

Great council meeting boasted of fine attendance. Breakfasts in all areas well attended. Wardens did a great job of detailing the breakfasts.

Golf outings became a part of Gild fellowship. Warden Don Byrne introduced the trophy at the P.G.C.A. manufacturers section.

Warden Joseph Ahearn, District 9, had a great summer luncheon and golf outing, Weston Golf Club, Weston, Mass.

Warden T. E. Squire, District 10, changed the pace of Gild Breakfast at Toronto for great fun and very enlightening.

1979 - Full steam ahead for finer breakfast attendance, lunches, golf outings, Great Council Meetings, Wassail planning, exhilarating all Gild functions planning.

The Mayors schedule was full.

Master of Revels, W. O. Dannhausen, set up a terrific Wassail at the Standard Club in the Tower, Renaissance Plaza.

The G.A.M.A. breakfast was terrific. 88 in attendance.

The new Gild Directory came to us and what a fine one it is

Aldermen Art Crosscombes and T. D. Squires were busy setting up the great council meeting.

At Toronto, work, boating, golf and the works.

A clam bake at the home of Joe Adams, Sgt. at Arms, was a real blast.

Truman B. Clark, Dist. 6.

The Gas Industry puts on its sales hat.

Sir Al Beck, past Alderman & Suppler since 1957. "Knighted", was made member of the Great Council.

John Ostler Knighted at Toronto. A very active Warden and Alderman, District 10.

Mayor Grace slowed up by serious illness, back on a fast track.

Hi-Lites memorable Wassail at Detroit. Revival of traditions of the Gild lamp presentation to out going A.G.A. Chairman John Kean. A.G.A. outgoing Chairman Robert E. Seymour was presented with the Gild of Ancient Supplers lamp.

The impressive Cape and Ring ceremony. Bill McDonnell, new Mayor accepts his cape of office. Mayor Grace the black cape marked P.M. XXVI. Mayor Grace made honorary Sage of the Gild. Thanks extended to Charlotte Bjorenson and Shirley Innuarato.



Boston, March 22, 1979. Suppliers really turned out for a great luncheon. Joseph Kelley, 1978 Chairman, N.E.G.A., recipient of Suppliers tile. Sgt. At Arms picked up \$16.00 in fines. Great day — New members were pinned. John Kean, chairman of A.G.A. Board spoke. Mayor Grace had his inning at the plate. G. H. O'Donnell, Walter Morris gave their message while Joe Adams sang the Suppliers song.



Mayor Grace in a fine speech brings Suppliers up to date on the industry, the G.A.M.A. Program and compliment Suppliers for part they played. Enthusiasm and selling fine products to burn our gas is still the name of the game. Spread the good news wherever you go.



It's not all hard work at a Great Council Meeting says Sam Houston. Here we have Walter Morris, Clerk; Howard Goss, P.M.XIII; Sam Houston, Alderman; Joe Adams, Sgt. at Arms, Concentrating real hard. Bay Hill Lodge, Orlando, Florida, Feb. 1978.



G.A.M.A.—Boca Raton, Florida, April, 1979. Suppliers enjoy a great reunion of serious business honors for some and fun for all.



Toronto — What a place to be, things to see and do. Time for serious council business. Time for boating, strolling and great for a reunion at Royal Canadian Yacht Club.



G.A.M.A. and Suppliers move as one this time. Beautiful Greenbriar, 1978. Turnouts terrific and everyone plays a part and Gild progress continues.



Grace, Goss, Chaisson, Brennan, Bovee, Present and Past Mayors have agreed after some skull practice.



It's wonderful to be where Suppliers gather.



Mayor Grace (center) and his officers all look well pleased. The Golden Harp worked overtime.



Mayor Grace presents Honorary Sage Certificate to P.M.XV, Brennan. Florida 1978.



Outgoing A.G.A. Chairman Robert E. Seymouf (left) was presented with a combination gas and electric lamp by Mike F. Grace, mayor of the Gild of Ancient Suppliers.



Mr. and Mrs. Harry Proctor, A.G.A. Chairman. Gild presentation of lamp. Mayor Grace presenter.



John Ostler "knighted" at Toronto.