

## A.V. Graf Award Description & Criteria (Chairman's State Award of Appreciation)

This award is given in appreciation for involvement in the Missouri Water and Wastewater conference and service to its members.

The recipient, like A.V. Graf, shall have exhibited efforts to raise the standards of treatment and practice of the water works art.

The recipient shall have been a member of the Missouri Water and Wastewater Conference for a period of not less than ten years.

The State Conference chairman with the input of the Recording secretary, MWWC coordinator, and the Executive board shall select the award recipient.

Only one award per year shall be given with an effort being made to choose recipients on a rotating basis from the MWWC sections.

The current MWWC chairman shall serve as the chairman for the A.V. Graf Award committee.

The committee shall obtain biographical data for use in presenting the award and shall arrange for the attendance of the award recipients at the MWWC annual meeting banquet. If at all possible, this should be accomplished so that the presentation is a surprise to the recipient. The State conference chairman should make the presentation. A copy of the biographical data concerning the award recipient shall be retained at the central office for use in the MWWC Mainlines and for publicity in the recipient's local news media.

### **Award Description**

The A.V. Graf Award, otherwise known as the Chairman's State Award of Appreciation, is the newest MWWC award. It was first presented at the 77<sup>th</sup> MWWC annual meeting in September 2001.

This award is given in memory of A.V. Graf, the organizations first chairman in 1925 and 1926. Mr. Graf was the only two-term chairman of the Conference.

The award reads, "This award is in memory of A.V. Graf, the first chairman of the Conference. It is in recognition of the spirit of the founding fathers in carrying out their responsibilities of insuring the health and welfare of the public.