# **NewsLetter**

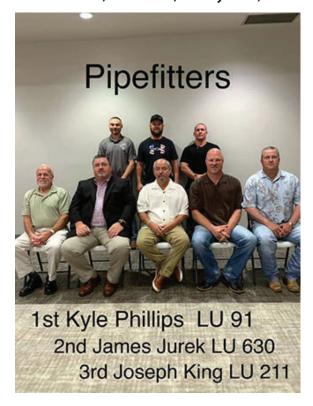
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## UA 2019 District 3 Regional Apprentice Contest



Milton Ortez - 1st Place Welder (with Bryan Edwards, Kevin Bickerstaff, Joe Gerik, Randy Beal, & Octavio Rojas)







#### FROM THE DESK OF BRYAN EDWARDS



Greetings to all members and family members of Pipefitters Local Union 211. As most of you know, the reason for the Union's success is primarily because of our Apprenticeship programs. Our training is 2nd to none and there is no doubt that our training is what sets us apart from the non-union. Every summer all of the local unions in the State of Texas, which consists of 8 local unions, have a competition which involves pipefitting, welding, hvac & plumbing. I am so proud to say that Local 211 won 1st place this year in State for both pipefitting & welding! Pipefitters Local 211 is so very proud of Brothers Joseph King who one 1st in State for pipefitting and Brother Milton Ortez who won 1st place in welding. This is a true testament to not only our training program, but to our instructors, as well. I want to recognize these instructors for taking the time to teach these young men and women our trade. I am also proud to announce that these 2 apprentices, after winning State, went on to compete in the District 3 contest which is made up of the winners from 11 different states. Brother Joseph King won 3rd place District 3 Pipefitter and Brother Milton Ortez won 1st place District 3 Welder. Congratulations to these 2 Apprentices and our entire Apprentice program for a job well done. I would also like to announce that welder Brother Milton Ortez will compete at Nationals against all other district winners on Aug. 12th in Ann Arbor, MI, so Good Luck, Brother!

UA General President Mark McManus recently sent notice to every Business Manager in the U.S. stating that our apprentice programs are under attack by Beaurocrats in Washington, D.C. This attack is of course from the wealthy open shop companies, and I am asking each of you to help save our Apprenticeship programs. All Apprentices please go to www.saveUAapprenticeships.org and fill in the blanks. It's that easy! All Retirees and Journeyman go to www.saveUAtraining.org and fill in the blanks. It only takes a few minutes and MAKES A DIFFERENCE!

I would like to announce that our health care fund is doing much better and so far we are in the black for the year. I realize that the changes to health care weren't very popular, but changes had to be made by the Trustees to save our insurance. The good news is that so far, for the first time in the past 5 years, we are ahead or in the positive for the year, so the changes have definitely made a HUGE difference. Members signing up and using MD LIVE have also made a big difference. These free Doctor visits online are making a big difference, so if you haven't signed up for MD LIVE, please do so because it is quick and easy and not only saves the health care fund money, but is free to you.

The Nuke outage is right around the corner, so if anyone is interested in making this STP outage please contact BA Mike Trahan to get signed up. This outage fills up quickly, so get on the list now! Also Brother Todd Longron has been sending a lot of members on great money jobs on the road, such as the big Pittsburgh job. There are several road jobs with o.t. right now, so if you working hands are interested, please call any of the Business Agents.

I want to remind all members that Local 211 now has a residential HVAC contractor, All Team Services. Please either use them for your HVAC needs, or pass their phone number on to your family & friends. (832) 844-8355

I would like to welcome our newest partner, Bailey Mechanical. This contractor is our most recent addition. I wish Bailey Mechanical many years of success in our industry, and we are glad to have you aboard.

We have 2 upcoming events. First, our annual Labor Day celebration and BBQ cookoff at the Pasadena Fairgrounds on August 31st. Food will be served to members & their families from 11:00am to 1:00pm. This is an all day event and there are rides for the kids, so come on out and enjoy the day. It's all FREE. Second, we have our Saltwater Fishing Tournament coming up on September 20th & 21st at Topwater Grill in San Leon. This event was a big success last year and we look forward to it being even bigger this year. The sign up form will be on our Facebook page as well as our 211 webpage. You can also pick up a form at the Union Hall. Make sure you get signed up. The deadline is Friday September 6th. All children will receive a free fishing pole.

As always, may God bless each of you and your families and I hope to see you at one of these upcoming events.

Fraternally, Bryan Edwards (Business Manager)

# CONGRATULATIONS JATC GRADUATES

The 49th Annual Completion Ceremony & Awards Banquet June 1, 2019





# PERFECT ATTENDANCE

## Timothy Cilley 5 vrs Perfect Attendance

## **TOP WINNERS**

FIFTH YEAR
Miguel De La Garza
Joseph D King
Ronnie Myers
Joseph Sheffield
Jairo Michael Torres

THIRD YEAR
Stuart Desadier
Kevin Klauss
Johnathan Rubalcava
Brian Schmidt
Thomas Sutton

FOURTH YEAR
Joshua Boren
Ruben Flores
Joshua Paradis
Sergio Resendiz
Dane Welsh

SECOND YEAR
Harold Annonson
Gary Gamez
Clayton Warren
Taylor Wooley



Jairo Torres
5 yrs Perfect Attendance



# CONGRATULATIONS JATC GRADUATES





Joseph King 1st place Pipefitter in State Comp.



Joshua Paradis 2nd place HVAC in State Comp.



**Kevin Bickerstaff - JATC Coordinator** 



Joseph King pictured with MCA President Jimmy Graves



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The Local 211 Scholarship Golf Tournament was a huge success. Thanks to everyone who worked the event, sponsored the event, and participated in the event.







Pictured above are Business Manager Bryan Edwards, Business Agent John Guyon, and our long time good friend Phillip Lord











**Not Pictured** 





































































#### The Pipe Fitters LU 211 Community Service Fund Committee is pleased to announce **The Winners Of The 2019 Scholarships**





**Benjamin Noah Beal Son of Randel Beal UT - Austin** 



Andrea Ashford **GD of Terry Baldwin Ashford University** 



**Lauren Tavlor Daughter of Terry Taylor** 



**Taylor Legg** TAMU - College Station Daughter of Ronald Legg **Lone Star College** 



Adrian Caraves **Son of Jose Caraves University of Houston** 



Tyler Migl **GS of Bernard Migl** Mid-America Christian



Luis Gomez Jr. Son of Luis Gomez Sr. **San Jacinto Community** 



**Kale Adams Daughter of Leon Adams Lonestar University Park** 



**Charlotte Kostecka Daughter of Donald Kostecka University of Oklahoma** 



**Brooke McClelland Daughter of James McClelland Tarleton State University** 



**Madilyn Reither Daughter of Stephen Hurst Texas State University** 



**Lukas Collins Son of Donals Collins Lamar University** 



**Sean Malloy GS of Joe Trahan** Stephen F. Austin



**Cole Migl GS of Bernard Migl Oklahoma State** 



**Sydney Matlock Daughter of Kelly Matlock** Stephen F. Austin



**Jacob Corder Son of Kenneth Corder** San Jacinto College



**Kayla Pearson Daughter of Barry Pearson Blinn College** 



Morgan Legg **Daughter of Ronald Legg Blinn College** 

**The Community Service Fund Committee Members are** Mark Baker, Joe Gerik, Jeff Broussard, Steve Julian & **Kevin Bickerstaff.** Thank you to the committee members for the work they put into the scholarship process.

### **NEW MAILING ADDRESS FOR ZONE 195**

Please make a note of the new mailing address for our Nederland office. All future correspondence should be sent to the following address!

3246 US 69 ACCESS RD. NEDERLAND, TX 77627

## 2019 SOUTH TEXAS STATE FAIR

Todd Longron's Grandson, Gus Longron, Grand Champion Market Lamb and Grand Champion Market Swine









#### 2nd annual 211 / 195 freshwater fishing tournament



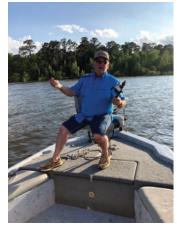
Thank you for being here.

See you next year!





















# LU 211 BBQ COOKOFF 8/31/19

August 31st from 9:00am until 6:00pm at the Pasadena Convention Center / Campbell Hall 7902 Fairmont Parkway
Pasadena, TX 77507

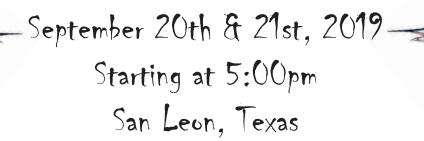
We will be serving brisket, sausage, and all the fixins' from 11:00am until 1:00pm or until all of the food is gone.

There will be games, rides, and a petting zoo. All members & their immediate families are welcome.

It's going to be a blast!

# COMING SOON

2nd ANNUAL SALTWATER FISHING TOURNAMENT





#### **UNION MEETINGS**

Union Meetings are held on the second Tuesday, every other month, at the Houston Union Hall, 1301 West 13th St., Deer Park, TX at 6:00 p.m. Zones 195 & 823 Union Meetings are held at the Beaumont Union Hall and Harlingen Union Hall in unison with the Local 211 Meeting via video teleconferencing.

Please contact the Dues Office if you haven't updated your beneficiary card in a while Thanks!

#### **ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS:**

We need your current cell phone number and we need to know who your carrier is. Please contact the Hall and update this information. And while you're calling, please verify your other personal information. It is very important that we have the most current information in our system. Thank You!

IF YOU ARE ON **AUTOMATIC ACH WITHDRAWAL,** IT IS IMPERATIVE **THAT YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS** IS CORRECT IN **OUR SYSTEM AS ALL RECEIPTS ARE NOW EMAILED TO** YOU. PLEASE **MAKE SURE WE HAVE THE CORRECT EMAIL ADDRESS IN OUR SYSTEM!** 

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We are pleased to announce that you are now able to pay online with your VISA or MASTERCARD, debit or credit card. Log into the website at www.pipefitterslocal211.com. There will be a \$3.00 service fee added to your transaction. **We do not accept credit cards by phone.** Of course you still have the option of mailing in your dues, paying at the window, or signing up for ACH. ACH allows us to directly debit your bank account once a month between the 15th and 20th for that month's dues. No service fee will be added to an ACH transaction. Above you will see an ACH enrollment form. You may complete it, cut it out, and drop it by the dues office or mail it to: Pipefitters Local 211 Dues Office, 1301 W. 13th Street, Suite A, Deer Park, Texas 77536. As you know, our system automatically adds fines to your account if you become delinquent on the 1st of the month. Please keep up with your dues. The dues office phone number is (713) 644-2395. Thank you!

# In Memoriam

Herman L Barbee

William F Botkin

Horace C Bradley Jr

Billy Burgin

Jimmy E Byrd

Roy W Fade

W K Fraysur

Curtis I Gaugh

Jerry Wayne Gibson

Jerry Hanus Larry Hargis Billie E Holt

Walker T Jaynes

**Buddy Lentz** 

Felipe Guadalupe Martinez

Ricky Karl Merimon

James U Mitchell

Robert F Myers Jr

Conrad E Prell

George Michael Reilly

Lewis Richardson Cledith D Rodgers Charles E Stuart (Chuck)

Charles Teer

Kevin Andrew Thibodeaux

Fernando L Valenzuela

Bobby R. Whitton