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NOMINATION & ELECTION NOTICE

This constitutes your official notice of the nominations and election of Local 211 officers to the June 2018 Election.

NOMINATION MEETING

Date: Tuesday, May 1st, 2018

Time: **6:00 PM**

Place: Local Union 211, 1301 W. 13th Street, Deer Park, TX 77536

Nominations may also be made in writing and must be received by the Election Committee Chairman at Pipe Fitters Local Union 211, 1301 W. 13th Street, Deer Park, TX. 77536 no later than 3:30 PM on Tuesday, May 1st, 2018. Written nominations should include the current address, telephone number and Book Number of both the nominator and the nominee, and should be signed by the nominator.

Eligibility to nominate: Persons nominating candidates must be Journeyman members in good standing at the time of nominations.

No seconds will be necessary, as long as the person nominating a candidate meets the above requirements.

Members may nominate themselves.

Candidates for officers positions may accept nominations in person at the May 1st 2018 Nominations Meeting or they may submit signed written acceptances which should include their current address, phone number, and book number. Such written acceptances must be received by Election Committee Chairman at Pipe Fitters Local Union 211, 1301 W. 13th Street, Deer Park, TX 77536 no later than 3:30pm on Tuesday, May 1st, 2018.

Eligibility to Run for Office: As provided by Section 121 of the UA Consitution, no member shall be eligible to be nominated for candidate unless he/she shall be a journeyman member and shall have been a member of the UA and Local 211 in good standing for at least a period of two (2) years immediately prior to May 8, 2018. Any journeyman member who owes, or has paid a reinstatement fee within a period of two (2) years immediately prior to May 8, 2018 shall not be eligible to be nominated for delegate.

A meeting of candidates will be held with the Election Committee immediately after the Nomination Meeting. It is very important that candidates make every effort to attend this meeting.

ELECTION

The election will be conducted by **mail ballot.** There will be no manual balloting or walk up election.

Eligibility to Vote: As provided in Section 124(a) of the UA Constitution, no member may vote unless he/she has been a member in good standing in Local 211 for a period of one (1) year prior to May 8, 2018. Any member who owes or has paid a reinstatement fee within a period of one (1) year immediately prior to May 8, 2018 will not be eligible to vote in the election.

Ballots will be mailed to voters on May 18, 2018. Ballot packages will include instructions for completing and returning ballots. Voters should read and follow the instructions carefully.

Any member who believes he/she is eligible to vote and has not received a ballot by May 25, 2018, or any member who spoils a ballot, may call Kevin E. Bienvenu, CPA of Harper & Pearson Company, P.C. at (713) 579-2311 to request a replacement ballot in the mail. It is the responsibility of the member to make such a request in sufficient time to receive, complete, and mail the replacement ballot so that it is received at the designated post office box by the deadline below.

To be counted, ballots must be mailed in sufficient time to be received at the designated post office box no later than Thursday, June 14, 2018.

The couting of the ballots will take place on Monday, June 18, 2018 at Pipe Fitters Local Union 211, 1301 W. 13th Street, Deer Park, Texas 77536, starting at 8:00am.



FROM THE DESK OF BRYAN EDWARDS



As we look forward to the year 2018, I would like to wish blessings on all of the Local 211 members and their families.

2017 was a very good year with the signing of 9 new contractors, and also enjoying the benefit of working 3.8 million man hours, (which by far was the most manhours of any local union in the South). We are off and running once again in 2018 by already signing 2 new contractors in the 1st 2 months of the new year. Pipefitters Local Union 211 has recently signed R.T. Solutions in the Zone 195 Beaumont area and this company has already hired some of our members to industrial sites in the Beaumont Area. We also signed The Brandon Company whom is also an industrial contractor that does work in various cities in our jurisdiction. Local 211 is pursuing other contractors at this time and we feel very confident in the signing of more new contractors in the near future.

Our main objective here at Local Union 211 is to provide as many great paying jobs with benefits to all of our members so everyone can enjoy a better way of life for themselves and their families. I will not be satisfied until Local 211 has full employment and growth in new members and new contractors so more people can enjoy the benefits of the great way of life that we have been so fortunate to enjoy as union members.

Local 211 just recently held the open house for the new Kenneth H. Edwards Apprectice Annex building which was held on December 6th here at the union hall. This event was a huge success and attracted some very important leaders, such as the UA General President Mark McManus, the Assistant General President Mike Pleasant, and the General Secretary Treasurer Pat Kellett. We also had several UA International Representatives at this event along with BIC Magazine and Jeff Wagner, the Mayor of Pasadena, as well as many other politicians & dignitaries. Although the weather was terrible that day with temperatures in the low 40's and raining, we still had approximately 250 people attend the open house. This event was a huge success and I would like to thank the members and their families that came out & enjoyed this great day with us.

Pipefitters Local 211 holds events throughout the year to celebrate certain occasions and holidays and I personally enjoy these events because that is a time of fun and fellowship with the members of Local 211. Some of these events include 4th of July, Labor Day BBQ, and our annual Kid's Christmas Party.

I have decided to implement two (2) more brand new events that will begin this year. We will try a fresh water fishing tournament on Lake Livingston, and a salt water fishing tournament as well. Dates and locations to be announced soon. This will be for both adults and kids with many different categories at weigh in. This will be another way to come together as a Brother and Sisterhood and have a great time together.

I would also like to announce that Local 211 will be starting HVAC training classes in the Corpus Christi area very soon. Brother Randy Beal will be in charge of this training, so anyone that is interested please let either Randy Beal or Hector Aquirre know ASAP because classes will begin very soon.

I would like to wish each one of you and your families a safe and prosperous 2018. If we all work together we will be successful, and I see awesome things coming our way during the 2018 year.

May God bless each of you and your families!

Fraternally Yours, Bryan K. Edwards

SCHOLARSHIPS

This year Local 211 will be awarding 10 scholarships in the amount of \$1,500.00 each.

WHO MAY APPLY: Applicant must be a high school senior or returning college student planning to attend a university, college or technical institute in the Fall term. Priority will be given as follows:

- 1. DEPENDENT children (as defined by Health & Welfare rules) of members of Local Union 211 graduating from High School who are beginning college in the Fall of 2018 will be given first priority.
- 2. Second priority will be given to DEPENDENT children (as defined by Heath & Welfare rules) returning to college in the Fall of 2018.
- 3. Members of Local 211 and their spouses will be given third priority.
- 4. Any other applications for scholarships to be addressed on a case-by-case basis.

TIMELINE:

Monday, April 2, 2018 Applications and study materials made available to the membership. Packets must

be picked up at the Union Hall.

Friday, June 1 2018 Deadline for turning in applications for processing.

Monday, June 11, 2018 Final selection of scholarship recipients will be made.

Monday, June 18, 2018 Deadline for award letters to be mailed.

Friday June 29, 2018 Deadline for money to be deposited with the educational facilities of the winners.

For further information, please contact the Local Union office at 713-644-5521.

The deadline to apply for the UA Scholarship Fund is June 14, 2018. Go to the UA Website, www.ua.org to apply.

THERE ARE SEVERAL WAYS TO GET INFORMATION FROM LOCAL UNION 211



CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE: http://www.pipefitterslocal211.com/

CHECK OUT OUR FACEBOOK PAGE:



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NEWSLETTER:

NOT RECEIVING YOURS?



CONTACT LOCAL 211 @ 713-644-5521 AND UPDATE YOUR ADDRESS!

UNION MEETING WILL BE COMBINED WITH A SPECIAL CALL MEETING

The regular union meeting scheduled for May 8, 2018 will be rescheduled for May 1st and will be combined with a special call meeting for nominations.

Tuesday evening, May 1, 2018 at 6:00 pm At the Pipe Fitters Local Union 211 Union Hall 1301 W. 13th Street, Deer Park TX 77536

The regular order of business will be held in conjunction with a special Order of Business in which the members will be making nominations for Candidates for Officers.



**** EFFECTIVE JANUARY 2018 **** *** ALL DUES HAVE INCREASED \$2.00 ****

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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 are no longer accepting 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!

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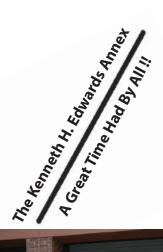




Local 211's Annual Scholarship Fund Golf Tournament will be held on April 20th, 2018 at Battleground Golf Course.

LU 211 Annual Scholarship Golf Tournament			
Battleground Golf Co	ourse - D	eer Park, Texas - Friday, April 20, 2018	
Platinum Sponsor - \$2,500 One (1) Four Man Team, Four (4) Mulligan Tickets, Two (2) Hole Sponsor Signs			
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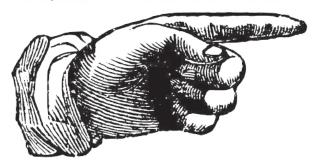




UNION MEETINGS

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 Notice This



THE MAY 1st UNION MEETING

WILL BE A SPECIAL CALL MEETING

FOR THE ELECTION OF

CANDIDATES FOR OFFICERS



Classes





Upcoming Welding Classes - March 3rd, April 14th, and May 12th

Upcoming Welding Tests - March 10th, April 21st, and May 19th

If you are interested in signing up for any of the above dates please contact Joe Gerik @ 409-739-1590 for availability.





ATTENTION APPRENTICES & JOURNEYMEN

Please check with the school office for your OSHA cards dated before March 2018!





THE RETIREE'S CLUB MEETS THE LAST WEDNESDAY OF EVERY MONTH



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Voluntary Benefits for PIPEFITTER 211 Members

I am sure that we can all agree that Worry and Stress prevent us from having the "Peace of Mind" that each of us desires and deserves. Have you ever said "If I knew then what I know now, I would have done different." We all have made mistakes by making decisions without adequate information.

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The costs for these Benefits are \$18.95 per month for a Family Legal Plan and \$14.95 per month for Family ID Shield Plan when purchased together. The Individual Legal Plan cost is \$16.95 per month and the Individual ID Shield Plan cost is \$8.95 per month.

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Bryan Barnett
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David Wayne Brazzell
Ford Brown
Norris C. Bryan
Isaac C. Carrizal
Volney Ray Cook
Louis E. Dailey Jr.
Everett E. George
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