

**CONGRATULATIONS  
JATC GRADUATES**

*The 47th Annual  
Completion Ceremony & Awards Banquet  
May 13, 2017*



A very special thanks to DEWALT Tools for the "MADE IN AMERICA" tools they presented to each Graduate in attendance.

**TOP WINNERS**

**FIFTH YEAR**  
Francisco Suarez  
Spencer Taber  
Rawle White

**FOURTH YEAR**  
David Alexander  
Nestor Martinez  
Jair Dominuez

**THIRD YEAR**  
William Kinison  
Milton Ortez  
Jared White

**SECOND YEAR**  
Joseph Boren  
Dustin Bennett  
Dane Welsh

**PERFECT ATTENDANCE**

Milwaukee Tool honored the students that had Perfect Attendance for all five years. These students were NEVER LATE and NEVER ABSENT.



Pictured above is Nicholas Granger. Gilberto Robledo is not shown.



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Bryan Edwards, Business Manager / F.S.T. with Apprentice Billy Horton and Committee member Richard Seeton.



Ira Schramek JATC Coordinator with Milton Ortez who won 2nd place Welder in our Texas Statewide competition and Francisco Suarez who won 2nd place HVAC in state, being awarded by Dewalt.



Local 211 Apprentice contest 1st place winners being awarded by MCA Director Glenn Rex. Shown L to R are David Alexander - 4th year, Francisco Suarez - 5th year, & Joseph Boren - 2nd year.





## FROM THE DESK OF BRYAN EDWARDS



Greetings to all the members and families of Pipefitters Local Union 211. I hope everyone has had a safe and productive 2017 so far. I would like to invite all of the Local 211 members and their families to join us for an evening of fun, food, and fellowship along with hot dogs with all the trimmings and also a fireworks show at the Local 211 Union Hall located at 1301 W. 13th St., Deer Park, TX. 77536 starting at 6:00pm on the 4th of July. The fireworks are the courtesy of the City of Deer Park. If you are not traveling out of town this 4th of July please join us.

I would like to begin my report by saying that this year has so far been a very productive and positive year for Local 211. Local 211 has signed new contracts with 5 Contractors since January 1st, and that in itself is a huge accomplishment in such a short period of time. Since January 1st of this year Local 211 has signed these Contractors: 1) Dietel Company - HVAC Contractor; 2) Native Solutions - Commercial Contractor; 3) Kinetics - Purity Clean Room Contractor; 4) CYLX Corp. - Industrial Contractor; 5) Axis Mech. - Industrial Contractor. The greatest part of signing these Contractors is that 4 out of 5 of them have already employed numerous Local 211 members on different projects in our jurisdiction. The work in our jurisdiction is doing very well this year!

The commercial downtown work is doing well and we were fortunate to dispatch a lot of members to new school work that has recently begun in the past few weeks. The industrial work is doing better now than it has in the past several years with the Baytown Exxon site, and the Chevron Phillips site, and also, of course, our reliable South Texas Nuclear site which just completed a 150 hand Nuke outage. The Nuke outage was a huge success with approximately 150 people working 2 shifts, and this was completed on time without even a first aid for the Pipefitters! "Thank You" to those that participated in this successful Nuke outage.

All facets of our industry are busy at this time. Whether it is Commercial, HVAC, Instruments, Industrial, or Fab Shops, we seem to be sending hands out to all of these facets this year.

Pipefitters Local 211 has recently implemented instrumentation back into our Apprentice School curriculum. I have been in several meetings with many industrial plant managers, and also well known large contractors in the past year and the question has come up every time, "Do you have instrument techs, and if so how many?" I feel that this is a huge opportunity to get Local 211's foot in the door in these plants so this is why we have decided to go all out in training in this sector of work. This work thrives in Local 211 and Zone 195 (Beaumont). Zone 195 is already in several plants in Beaumont because they have some of the best Techs in the Country. Steve Parker of Zone 195 is the one responsible for this success in Beaumont, so he is helping Houston out with his curriculum so we can hopefully gain market share once again in this thriving industrial market. So far this year Local 211 has had work in all 3 zones of our jurisdiction whether it is Houston, Beaumont, or South Texas. All 3 zones are busy at the present time.

I would like the members to know that our new Union Hall and Training Center has been the focal point in several showcase meetings in the past few months. Our UA Rep has visited our facility 4 times in the past 5 months, which is very rare. The UA General President of late, along with so many UA Reps have also visited our facility. It is something we should all be proud of. UA Special Rep Corby Shelton made it mandatory that ALL Managers and Coordinators for Texas, Oklahoma, and New Mexico be at our facility for a meeting this past May 9th, and of course everyone showed up and absolutely loved our Union Hall and Apprentice School. Our new Kenneth Edwards Annex Building will have 50 welding booths in it along with so much more, and this brand new building should be ready for business by the end of June. I hope you all come by and check it out because it will also be something we can be proud of.

Please, if you can, come join us at 6:00pm this July 4th for fun, food, fellowship, and fireworks!

May God Bless each of you and your families.

In Solidarity,

Business Manager  
*Bryan K. Edwards*



# Scholarship **g**olf **o**ur**n**ament

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.



**B.M. Bryan Edwards**



**Janice Zalesnik & Pam Olive**

## HERE ARE THE PARTICIPATING TEAMS



**Kenneth Edwards, Bryan Edwards, Dean Zalesnik, John Guyon**



**Mitch Moses, Paul Puente, Eric Porter, Yvette Duenas**



**Roy Goines, Ed Vargocko, John Dee, John Carlisle**



**(not in order) Kenny Howard, Dave McKenzie, Hal Kersh, Mike Short**





LU 211 ZONE 195 WILL HOLD A CLASS FOR OSHA 10 AT ITS BEAUMONT SCHOOL. WE NEED A LEAST 10 MEMBERS PER CLASS TO MAKE THIS POSSIBLE. HAVING A CURRENT OSHA 10 CARD WILL MAKE IT EASIER TO TRAVEL. MOST OF THE JOBS ON THE ROAD REQUIRE THE CARD TO BE RENEWED EVERY THREE YEARS. THIS WILL ONLY BENEFIT THE PEOPLE WANTING TO TRAVEL. THE CLASS WILL BE SET UP WHEN ENOUGH MEMBERS SIGN UP. [Register Now](#) BY CALLING 409-727-1686.



## ATTENTION APPRENTICES & JOURNEYMEN



Please check with the school office for your OSHA cards if yours is older than 6 months!

## Upgrade Classes

Are being scheduled for Saturdays in July



Rigging  
Recertification



Upgrade Welder Certification



Foreman Training

Call Local 211 Dispatcher at 713-644-5521 to sign up for classes.  
A small refundable deposit will be collected once minimum enrollment is achieved.

# Zone 195



Brother John Repasky was born March 1, 1917, and on March 4, 2017 celebrated his 100th birthday. He lived in the historic city of Johnstown PA., and at some point relocated to the Beaumont, TX area.

John joined the Army Air Corps in 1941 and served 4 years. John met his wife Susie while serving, and they have been married for 71 years. They live happily in Bridge City, TX.

John was initiated April 28, 1962. He received his life member letter from the UA on March 19, 2012. To this date he is a proud 55 year retired member of Local Union 211 Zone 195.

Todd Longron, Business Agent, and Steve Parker, Assistant Training Director for Local 211 in Beaumont had the priviledge of celebrating this day with him, his wife, and many friends.

Don't let his age fool you. Even at 100 his mind is still there. At one point he asked about Kenneth Edwards, and what he was doing now. He was very proud to let us know that he retired from this Local. He was very inquisitive about the Union Hall, and the School. He told us he was going to come by one day and visit us. We told him we will have a pot of coffee ready.....the stories he'll have to tell should be very interesting!

WE REGRETFULLY REPORT THAT PRIOR TO RELEASING THIS NEWSLETTER BROTHER JOHN PASSED AWAY ON 5/26/17.



Between San Antonio and Beaumont State Fairs, Todd Longron's Grandkids showed four Market Swine with one Breed Champion, one 3rd place, one 7th place and one 10th place, all making the sale. Showed one Market Goat that placed Over-All Grand Champion plus Showmanship. Showed three lambs; one class winner, one second place in his class and all made the sale. Showed one steer that finished 21st out of 50 and made the sale. Showing a total of nine animals with eight making the sales. What a year!



Grand Champion Market Goat & Showmanship



Breed Champion Landrace Barrow Division, awarded a \$10,000 scholarship!



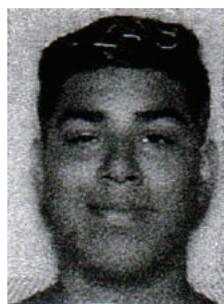
The Pipe Fitters LU 211 Community Service Fund Committee is pleased to announce  
The Winners Of The 2017 Scholarships



**Brooke Bettes**  
daughter of Billy Bettes  
Sam Houston State Univ.



**Victoria Allen**  
daughter of James Allen  
Stephen F. Austin



**Alejandro Castillo**  
son of Alejandro Castillo  
Texas A&M Univ.



**Tyler Tran**  
son of Thanh Tran  
Lamar University



**Kelsie Walker**  
daughter of Paul Walker  
University of St. Thomas



**Kendall Waller**  
GD of Dennis Enloe  
University of North Texas



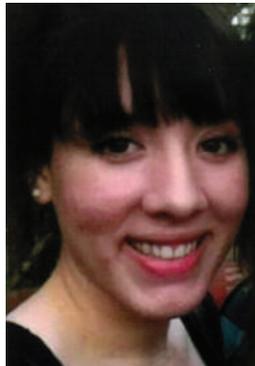
**Haley Migl**  
GD of Bernard Migl  
Texas A&M Univ.



**Kaitlin Migl**  
GD of Bernard Migl  
Texas State Univ.



**Lauren Taylor**  
daughter of Terry Taylor  
Texas A&M Univ.



**Sarah Blackshear**  
GD of Jack Cotterell  
U.T. at Austin



**Matthew Israel**  
son of Christopher Mintz  
Texas State Univ.



**Tyler Migl**  
GS of Bernard Migl  
OSU-OKC



**Taylor Legg**  
daughter of Ronald Legg Jr.  
Texas Lutheran Univ.



**Elyse Reed**  
daughter of Earl Reed  
SJC-South



**Brittany Dennis**  
daughter of Michael Dennis  
Texas A&M Univ.

The Community Service Fund  
Committee Members are  
Ace Coody, Bob Chase,  
Curtis Vice, Cris Lauck, &  
Melody Brzezinski-Ynfante.  
Thank you to the  
committee members  
for the work they put  
into the scholarship  
process.

## ACH WITHDRAWAL APPLICATION

STARTING DATE \_\_\_\_\_

I \_\_\_\_\_ GIVE  
LOCAL 211 PERMISSION TO DRAFT \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
FROM MY ACCOUNT BETWEEN THE 15<sup>TH</sup> AND 20<sup>TH</sup> OF  
EVERY MONTH.

SS# OR BOOK# \_\_\_\_\_

ROUTING # \_\_\_\_\_

CHECKING ACCT # \_\_\_\_\_

SAVINGS ACCT. # \_\_\_\_\_

**"ISF" FEE OF \$50.00 WILL BE CHARGED FOR ALL  
RETURNS AND INCORRECT ACCOUNT NUMBERS**

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE # \_\_\_\_\_



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](http://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 or 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. On the left 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, 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.



**WORRY LESS and LIVE MORE**

### **Voluntary Benefits for PIPEFITTER 211 Members**

I am sure that we can all agree that Worry and Stress prevents us from having the "Peace of Mind" that each of us desire and deserve. 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.

LEGALSHIELD and ID SHIELD are voluntary products that are available to you through your Union at a discounted rate.

As a member, you get unlimited consultation on unlimited matters from a very reliable source. You also have protection to you and your loved ones identity that includes Monitoring and Restoration. The Legal plan also provides Estate preparation services which includes a Last Will and Testament, Health Care Power of Attorney and Living Will for you and your significant other at no additional cost. Other benefits are included in the plans.

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.

Stop worrying and Start relaxing with LEGALSHIELD and ID SHIELD Today.

Go to [www.legalshield.com/info/pflocal211](http://www.legalshield.com/info/pflocal211)

For more information: contact Claudis Stevenson (409) 363-0090

## **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.

July 4<sup>th</sup>  
Celebration

Retirees Club

NEWS

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Join us for a 4th of July celebration for Local 211 union members and their immediate families.

**This is limited to only Pipefitter 211 Union members and their immediate families.**

This event will be held at the Local 211 Union Hall.

We are planning on having games or movies for the children, table games for adults if they desire, some type of live entertainment, and lastly Deer Park fireworks for the finale. We would like to begin cooking at 6:00 PM, eat between 6:30 and 8:00 and be finished by 9:00 PM when the fireworks begin.

If this is a success, we, the Retirees Club of Local 211, would like to make this a yearly event.

If possible, please call either one of the Retiree's Officers so that we might have an estimate on the number of hot dogs and supplies that we will need to purchase.

Thanks.

Charles B. Cockrell  
President

LaHoma Pilgreen  
Activities Chairlady



**FROM THE DESK OF HECTOR AGUIRRE**  
*Local 211 Organizer*



***Hello Brothers & Sisters. My name is Hector Aguirre. I am excited to serve Local 211 as your Organizer over Houston & South Texas. I urge you to remember that the primary objective of our Union is to "achieve unity of action among all workers in the industry." Until next time....God Bless!***



# LU 211 BBQ COOKOFF

September 2nd 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!

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# In Memoriam

Harley Anderson

Harold D Anderson

James R Bailey

Michael J Bast

Herbert R Broussard

Johnny M Brown

Robert W Burk

James M Burkhalter

Donald Cheek

Gene Darling 11

W R Davis

Alvin O Deroche

Hubert Godeaux Jr

Curtis Harrison

David L Heine

Ralph Hewing

Phillip Holloway Sr

Thomas L Janek

Wendil Jarman

Cecil L Johnson

Marwin Johnson

Gordon Jordan Jr

Elo J Junek

Alex Leger Jr

Jarrell Mitchell

Forthin Murphy

Jimmy C Petters

Bobby G Pickens

Eugene Puckett

Larry Shuler

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