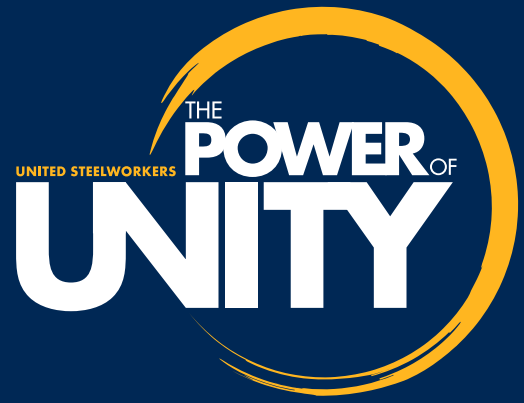




## DELEGATE PROFILE



### Lawrence Castillo

Name:

Local 895, District 13

Local Number/USW District #:

Valtris Specialty Chemicals, Process Operator

Employer, Job Title:

Additives for the rubber and plastics industry

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Years as USW Member:

What does your local do or make?

Fort Worth, Texas

Hometown:

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#### What is unusual about your hometown, place of work or job?

"It's very diverse. There are a lot of minorities, and there is a lot of discrimination. In a union shop, we try hard to overcome that. We're here to unite everyone in the working class."

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#### What does this year's theme, "The Power of Unity," mean to you? How has your local benefited from putting unity into action?

"The power of unity means bringing all people from the working class into one focused mission. It's the power of people. One guy can't get a contract the way a large group can. Unity is what it's all about."

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#### What issues will be important when your local's contract expires?

"Health care is going to be the biggest thing. Every contract, that's a big issue."

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#### What's your favorite alternative fact?

"Fake news. Trump says it, and people believe it."

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#### Who would you prefer to have dinner with: Sean Spicer, Betty White, Vladimir Putin, Drake, or Céline Dion? Why?

"Putin. After all of the things he's been involved in with Trump, I'd like to know on a personal level what's true and what's not."

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#### What's the best thing about the convention so far?

"Meeting people who have been involved with the union for so long. The convention brings together a group of people who are all on the same mission. For people who've never been here, it shows you that we're bigger than just our one little group at home. It's a massive movement."

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#### What things do you hope to do while you're here?

"To continue the educational process, to learn as much as I can. It's hard to express what that means. Pictures, videos, words can't explain how much you get out of this. You have to be here. The first time you come here, you're in awe."

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#### What in this convention will you put to work when you return home?

"We need to keep supporting programs such as Next Gen and Women of Steel. These are important to keep pushing. A lot of our members are nearing retirement, and we need to start pushing the next generation of leaders."