

Hart Votes Republican

by Neoma Williams

Hart used to be a Democratic stronghold, but many of those die-hard Democrats don't live here anymore or have died or are maybe just too old.

There were 44 straight Republican votes cast in the election, including absentee, early and in-person, compared to 30 for Democrats. There was one Libertarian vote and one Green party vote.

There were a total of 1,197 votes cast countywide, out of 3,970 registered voters. The County went Republican, not out of the norm.

The Republicans won every race in Hart (Voting Pct. 101). In the governor's race, Greg Abbott got 86 votes to Wendy Davis' 46. Kathie Glass got three. Leticia Van de Putte got 41 votes in Hart, compared to 85 for Dan Patrick in the Lieutenant Governor's race. And, Van de Putte received endorsements from daily newspapers who often endorse Republican candidates. Patrick has been described as mean-spirited, divisive and out of touch with main stream Texans.

Mary Ewing received six votes in her write-in candidacy to oust incumbent Jo Cambell for Justice of the Peace. (Campbell is a Democrat; there was no Republican candidate.) Ewing got 200 votes countywide.

EDC Meets Oct. 13

A meeting of the Hart Economic Development Corporation was held Oct. 13 at City Hall, with President Danny Rodriguez presiding. Other members present were Vickie Ethridge, Paul Ramirez and Stanley Dyer.

Discussed again were signs for Hart businesses that the EDC discussed in September. There was no decision made, as Rodriguez said he wanted member Tony Leibel, who is the secretary and treasurer, present. Other members absent were Todd Straley and Lupe Velasquez.

The EDC has not had a November meeting.



A LOOK AT THE PAST - this photo was made available to The Pulse from a Hart resident. It is of some members, all deceased, of the Good Neighbor Club. It was taken by Steve Hagner with the *Amarillo Globe-News* on August 11, 1973, during Hart Days. The Club provided refreshments and registered guests for many years for Hart Days. There were 105 guests registered that day. Pictured, from the left, are Eunice Newman, Alla Bennett, Cora Davis, Edna Hart, Carrie Futrell and Ruth Hamm.

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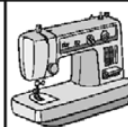
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