

# Lonnie Joe Howell And The Hot Texas Band To Perform At Hart Days

Former Hart teacher Lonnie Joe Howell and The Hot Texas Band from Levelland will perform from 7-9 p.m. on Friday, July 29, for Hart Days. The venue is Centennial Pavilion. There is no admission charge, but donations to The Hart Days Committee will be appreciated.

The Band specializes in Traditional Country and Classic Rock, entertaining at many venues, including churches, Jamaicas, Cowboy Symposiums, dances, etc. Three of the members entertained Hart Lions Club members, spouses and guests in June at the Club's annual Appreciation Banquet.

Teaching math at Hart ISD for six years before launching his musical career, Howell plays the harmonica and guitar. He spent his dues-paying years in Nashville, playing studio sessions, recording for Armadillo Records, filming instructional videos for Texas Music and Video and writing music books for Mel Bay Publications. Since 2006, he has been commissioned to perform and teach in Denver, Milwaukee, St. Louis, Sacramento, Minneapolis, Virginia Beach and Dallas. He currently is co-owner of Texas Music Supply in Levelland.

John Hartin is the most recognized guitar player and teacher throughout the Southwest, according to the Band's press release. He moved to Levelland in 1974 and launched a Country and Bluegrass Music School at South Plains College. What began as a small office and eight students has grown into a state-of-the-art Commercial Music Complex, specializing in all musical styles, offering audio

and video recording courses to hundreds of students from a fully qualified staff. Hartin has taught guitar to an untold number of players and performed an infinite number of times.

Ron Pence has been a member and band leader in numerous groups in the Levelland area over the years. He is a vocalist and bass player, able to sing a number of styles and add harmonies.

The chemistry of Hartin's guitar with Howell's harmonica and Pence's vocals should leave Hart Days folks wanting more.

## 2016 Hart Days Parade Has Three Marshals

At a meeting of the Hart Days Committee earlier this year, it was decided that too many senior-age Hart residents are being overlooked for marshals. (Marshals are no longer called Pioneers because that generation is gone.) So, the few who were at the meeting agreed to have more than two marshals, as has been the case for some time.

This year's Marshals are Deryl and Joan Clevenger and Maria Gomez Quiroz. Others were contacted, but declined due to age and/or health. The Committee is always open to suggestions for Marshals. City Hall is a good place to leave your suggestions.

Some people in the past have been contacted, but declined. If anyone has a suggestion for parade marshal, please contact a member of the Committee. Reliable members the last few years are Marsy Marin at City Hall, Aurelia Perez at Centennial Bank and Neoma Williams.



Hot Texas Band featuring former Hart teacher Lonnie Joe Howell will perform Friday from 7-9 p.m. at Centennial Pavilion. John Hartin, who founded the County and Bluegrass Music School at South Plains College in Levelland, is a member of the band.



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