all our employees. Specifically, Kyle Turner was hired on in 2018 and has been incredibly efficient, primarily making feed. We are very glad he chose to move to our area and are thankful for his hard work. Sheldon Tatkenhorst is brand new to us and so far is doing a great job delivering feed. We also depend on the reliability of Eric Moore and Kim Goodwin.

At the mill, we make an effort to provide ingredients and services that allow you to attack opportunities specific to your operation. Whether you are looking to add value to your calf crop by weaning, developing heifers, finishing a group of calves or even adding condition to cull cows we are here to help you accomplish those needs. Do not hesitate to call us and discuss potential scenarios and ideas.

On the corn side of the Co-op, we felt lucky to have as good of a year as we did. The hail storms had us very nervous about the size of the crop, but we ended up taking in more bushels than the year before. We filled the new bin in Flagler, in what felt like a few days, before filling all of our normal corn storage as well. We took in a lot of corn in Arriba and some in Genoa and 2W, too. Please let us know if you intend to plant corn acres and are interested in marketing any new crop bushels. We would love to work with you to capitalize on the carry currently in the board

Again, thanks for choosing to work with all of us. We know you have choices on where to take your grain and get your feed and we truly appreciate your trust in us. With your ongoing support we are determined to be a competitive service to your farm and ranch and assist you in capturing value in any opportunity that may arise.

Brian Rowden, ACE HARDWARE MANAGER

"HAIL-O" from the Flagler ACE Hardware. Welcome to the 84th annual Flagler Cooperative Association meeting. It has been a record setting, "perfect storm" year, as all of the people in the hail hit areas in 2018 can well imagine.

We started the year off by supplying materials to Stratton for an apartment complex. During the year we saw multiple housing remodel projects and several new houses throughout Lincoln County. The two hail storms in the area added for a very busy year.

I would like to thank all of our patrons for their patience during that busy time as we tried to help with supplies as best we could. Looking forward, 2019 has several new building projects around the area, with several remodel projects ongoing, or coming up, and there is still a fair amount of hail damage to be repaired from the 2018 storms.

Again, thank you for helping make your local ACE a successful part of your company.