PAXTON CORN PILE

Myron Rust, Paxton Facility Manager The corn pile was conveyed out in November 2013 and was tarped with virtually no rain fall.

The winter was brutal for everyone and everything, but worked out good for the corn on the ground. The weight of the snow helped to keep the tarp on and the cold tempera-

tures helped the corn stay in top-notch condition. Late Feb-

ruary 2014 the corn was picked up with minimal damage and odor.

900,000 bushels were transferred from the ground pile to bins in five days.

FARM STORED GRAIN -

Lisa Schriefer & Dale Schumers, DelRey Facility

With Spring in the air and warmer temperatures on the horizon, please remember to check your farm stored grain in the bins, frequently!

There have been reports in some areas of grain going out of condition in the bins on the farm. Call one of the Ludlow Coop Facilities to deliver your grain and take advantage of our free DP program on corn and soybeans. Free DP is good thru 8/31/14.



LUDLOW COOP DEBENTURES AVAILABLE FOR COMMON SHAREHOLDERS

SERIES	MATURITY	INTEREST RATE	AVAILABLE
31B	12/31/2016	2.00%	\$5,000
32A	12/31/2017	2.50%	\$128,000
33	12/31/2018	3.00%	\$102,500

CONTACT STEVE WISSINK AT THE LUDLOW OF-FICE-217-396-4111 FOR MORE INFORMATION



Reminder: Please setup new or changing farm ID's at anytime prior to hauling grain in you can even email the office staff with the information! Thanks



CBOT & Ludlow Coop Facilities will be closed <u>Friday, April 18</u> In observance Of Good Friday Happy Easter from the Employees & Directors Of Ludlow Coop

Rick Hoffman planting corn spring of 2013 just north of the Perdueville Office

Photo taken by the one and only Bill Jarboe, Perdueville Location Manager



3/20/14

Ludlow Coop <u>will not be accepting</u> any corn variety that does not have full export approval.

The Syngenta seed corn varieties Agrisure Viptera and Duracade do not yet have full export approval at this time. As Ludlow Coop ships rail corn that could end up in the export market, we are asking that you please take the necessary precautions when ordering seed for this coming year. Please contact us if you have any questions.



While I have met many of our patrons that have stopped in at the Ludlow office. I am looking forward to meeting more of the patrons and working with you in the future. It is great to be a part of the Ludlow Coop team! I have been spending my first couple of months getting familiar with the workings of Ludlow Coop and plan to get out to our other locations more often so that I can get to know the employees and facilities.

Hopefully the weather will warm up one of



eference to statement location	numbers:
udlow #100	Perdueville #300
uckley #400	Loda #500
elRev #600	Danforth #610
aHogue #630	Piper City #640
irect Shipments #800	Paxton #900

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Enclosed with this brochure is your patron grain statement.

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The information on the enclosed statement pertains to your grain account as of 2:00 p.m. APRIL 7, 2014.

We are sending this information to you in order for you to double check your records to ours. The statement details your grain that is on open storage/delayed pricing/hold etc. Also included on the statement are the open contracts of grain you have sold through Ludlow Coop for future deliveries or to be applied to your bushels that are in the elevator already. The dates are shown by month and year for the delivery period of the contract in which the grain was sold. For example, if you have sold grain for 2014 harvest delivery the dates are shown as 10/1/14-11/30/14.

GRAIN IN THE ELEVATOR AND OPEN CON-TRACTS. When you look at your grain statements the bushels in storage or on delayed pricing are NOT reduced by any existing contracts for future delivery periods. We cannot apply grain sold for a *future delivery* period until the 1st day of that delivery period. For example, if you put 10,000.00 bushels in Delayed Pricing this past harvest and have 5,000.00 bu sold for JULY 2014 your statement as of today will show 10,000.00 bushels Delayed Pricing and an open 5,000.00 bushel JULY 2014 contract.

We are asking that patrons please look over the statements and if you find any errors please contact our Buckley/Ludlow/Danforth/Piper City offices immediately! Please do not wait until a later date.

Thank you for your assistance, Office Staff



John Livengood, Piper City Manager - Retiring after 39 years in the **Grain Business**

We asked John to share with everyone some information about his back ground...

I have been in the grain business for 39 years. I started out attending Parkland College in the fall of 1972 after spending 4 years in the U.S. Navy. My intentions were to go into ac-

counting. In the spring of my second year I took a grain futures course as an elective. The instructor of this course convinced me to go into Ag Management. I had to take an on the job training class in February 1975 to finish up my Associates Degree. After finishing this class at Pesotum Grain Company, they hired me full time as bookkeeper and assistant manager. In 1977 I was hired as General Manager of Pesotum Grain Company. I was General Manager of Greenfield

Farmers Coop from 1980 thru 1998. I started in January of 1999 as General Manager of Farmers Grain Company of Piper City. We then merged with Ludlow Coop Elevator in 2009.

John

Livengood

I have been married to my wife, Janet for 49 years. We have 4 children and 11 grandchildren, which should keep me busy in my retirement.

What's Going On At Ludlow **Coop Since Harvest -Steve Myers**

We have been very busy loading trains which has entailed a lot of weekend loadings. We need to give our employees a big thank you for giving up their weekends to load trains. Due to the brutal winter and frigid temperatures, the track crew had to wear so many layers of clothes that they could barely move.

Since harvest started we have shipped 1613 railcars of corn and 866 railcars of beans. In addition to the train loading, we have transferred 2,413,344 bushels of corn and 1,822,507 bushels of soybeans into Paxton from our other locations for trains. We continue to offer on-farm grain pickup which has kept us busy throughout the winter.

Once again we would like to remind our patrons about our out-of-the-field grain pick up program at harvest. If this program works for you, we would be more than happy to accommodate you this coming harvest.

We would like to thank each and every one of you for your support and business in the past. Hopefully Mother Nature will give us an opportunity to get the crops planted in a timely manner. Looking forward to a great 2014 crop and talking with you this coming season.

If you receive a check from Ludlow Coop - it is reported to the government on your 1099 for the calendar year it was issued to YOU!