

## To Our Members and Patrons

This past year was a successful year. We continue to face the major issues of the continuing decline in the dairy industry and the fact that nearly $80 \%$ of our total business is related to agriculture which is a flat to shrinking market. Given these challenges, we continue to be able to generate the needed earnings and cash flow to achieve that necessary balance of reinvesting in our current facilities, returning cash to members and being able to take advantage of opportunities when they become available.

Significant changes this past year were adding a 14th location with the acquisition of Verona Ace Hardware, the consolidation of our Corporate Offices on Meigs Lane in Dayton and the expansion of our business to business wholesale initiative.

Financial comparisons with the previous year were impacted slightly due to the acquisition of Verona Ace Hardware. Same store sales of $\$ 103.3$ million were down $\$ 684$ thousand from the previous year. This decrease in sales was offset by an $.8 \%$ increase in gross margin dollars. Total expenses of $\$ 22$ million increased by $3.7 \%$ and Net Income of $\$ 1,435,725$ increased significantly by $\$ 430,000$ over the previous year.

Our Balance Sheet remains strong with \$32.4 million in equity and a $50.4 \%$ Patrons' Equity Ratio. Your Board strategically invested $\$ 1.6$ million in improvements and equipment in 2019 and total assets exceed $\$ 64$ million.

Your Cooperative returned $\$ 764,000$ to its members in 2019. In the past ten years $\$ 10.5$ million has been returned to members through the cash portion of the annual patronage dividend and through redemption of outstanding equities. In looking back over 40 years, a cash dividend has been paid in all but three years. Being able to consistently return cash to our members is a major strength of your Cooperative.

Next year we will be celebrating our $100^{\text {th }}$ anniversary of being in business. We do not take our successful history for granted. We value our long-term relationships with each of our member-owners and realize that our continued success is dependent upon being able to help each of our members succeed in their own operations.

Thanks for giving us the opportunity to serve you this past year. We also express our appreciation for the dedicated efforts of our employees and directors in making 2019 another successful year.

Chief Executive Officer

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Michael Humphries
President

Sales
Gross Margin
Percentage
Other Operating Income
Total Income
2019
2018

| $\$ 104,454,959$ | $\$ 104,025,277$ |
| ---: | ---: |
| $22,780,936$ | $21,135,525$ |
| $21.81 \%$ | $20.67 \%$ |
| 533,479 | 570,597 |
| $23,314,415$ | $21,706,122$ |

Expenses
Salaries
Depreciation
Interest
General Expenses

## Total Expenses

Operating Income
Other Income
Net Income

| $10,414,584$ | $9,768,119$ |
| ---: | ---: |
| $2,642,606$ | $2,740,623$ |
| 782,000 | 715,055 |
| $8,245,244$ | $7,687,876$ |
| $22,084,434$ | $20,911,673$ |
| $1,229,981$ | 794,449 |
| 205,744 | 211,287 |
| $\$ 1,435,725$ | $\$ 1,005,736$ |

## Balance Sheet

## Assets

Current Assets

| Cash | $\$ 513,988$ | $\$ 409,518$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Receivables | $9,015,354$ | $8,881,267$ |
| Inventories | $15,963,820$ | $15,515,812$ |
| Prepaid Expenses | $2,204,906$ | $2,210,867$ |
| Other Current Assets | $1,045,483$ | 676,738 |
| $\quad$ Total Current Assets | $28,743,551$ | $27,694,202$ |
| Investments \& Goodwill | $3,490,667$ | $2,908,450$ |
| Fixed Assets | $32,146,769$ | $33,349,371$ |
| $\quad$ Total Assets | $\$ 64,380,987$ | $\$ 63,952,023$ |
| Current Ratio | $\mathbf{1 . 3 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 . 3 9}$ |

Liabilities and Equities
Accounts Payable
Advance deposits from customers
Accrued Expenses
Notes Payable
Current Portion of Long-term Debt
Total Current Liabilities
Deferred Income Tax and Other Liabilities
Long-term Debt
Total Liabilities
Patrons' Equities
Total Liabilities and Patrons' Equities
Patrons' Equity Ratio

| $\$ 5,544,254$ | $\$ 3,802,191$ |
| ---: | ---: |
| $2,882,710$ | $3,338,295$ |
| $1,257,529$ | $1,018,010$ |
| $10,214,971$ | $10,703,004$ |
| $1,484,818$ | $1,108,045$ |
| $21,384,282$ | $19,969,545$ |
| $4,203,480$ | $4,679,879$ |
| $6,362,234$ | $7,688,677$ |
| $31,949,996$ | $32,338,101$ |
| $32,430,991$ | $31,613,922$ |
| $\$ 64,380,987$ | $\$ 63,952,023$ |
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