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# Myra-Beck Farm Ken and Martha Myers

# Franklin County, PA

Ken and Martha Myers, along with their sons Jeff, Kevin, and Brian, operate Myra-Brek Farm near St. Thomas in Franklin County, PA. The Myers have been farming this family farm since 1970. They grow corn and alfalfa on about 400 acres to provide feed for their dairy animals.

The Myers run out about 50/50 corn silage/ haylage on the bunk along with 5 lbs. of Purina<sup>®</sup> Maxi-Tech 14%<sup>®</sup> as well as 8 lbs. of alfalfa hay. In addition, the milk cows have access to a dual ration computer feeder, of which one side is Purina<sup>®</sup> Maxi-Tech 14%<sup>®</sup> and the other Purina<sup>®</sup> Hi-E 35% Concentrate<sup>®</sup>.

Ken has dealt with Detrich Elevator, his local Purina Dealer, nearly 25 years because he feels he gets good products and service from them. Last year, after reading a Purina newspaper ad in which a dairyman described what Purina<sup>®</sup> Maxi-Tech<sup>®</sup> did for his herd, Ken decided to replace his current grist



mix with Maxi-Tech. Listed below are some DHIA results the Myers have seen since starting on Maxi-Tech Completes in April 1992.

DATE	<u>COW#</u>	MILK RHA	<u>%FAT</u>	LBS. FAT	%PROTEIN	LBS. PROTEIN	150 DAY MILK
4-92	108.4	16,799	3.8	636	3.3	553	54.5
8-93	104.0	19,184	3.5	667	3.2	607	60.7

# We asked Ken and his family to share some comments about their results on Purina<sup>®</sup> Maxi Tech Completes<sup>®</sup>

- Cows don't drop off in milk as much over the summer like they used to.
- I feel the cows utilize the pellets better than the grist mix.
- Individual cows are performing better, we see mature cows that averaged 16,000 lbs. of milk now averaging well over 20,000 lbs.
- Herd health has only gotten better the veterinarian bill is lower.
- I like the options and promotions that I get with Purina and Detrick Elevator, I like the firm purchase option on complete feeds and the local mills grain exchange program.

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