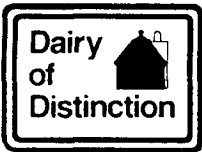


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This new Dairy of Distinction farm in Snyder County is owned by Tanya and Karl Hertzler, Middleburg. Their children in the order of age are Terry Gregoire, Karyl Hoke, Kurt Hertzler, Kristina Hertzler, and Kevin Hertzler. The Hertzlers moved from Lancaster County in 1980 and farm 350 acres and milk registered Holsteins that average more than 18,000 pounds of milk. Crops include alfalfa, corn, barley and oats, and some sweet corn.

They like to give their cows a lot of freedom in freestalls and in summer they are out on pasture. The farm features soil conservation with crop management from West Branch Crop Management Association. They feed TMR and try to raise good forage and keep track of the cows through good records. While Tanya works away, she keeps the farm records and is credited with the good looks around the farm.



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