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### **Host Farm for 2011 Farm Technology Days Announced**

At a Media Conference held today, Keith Langenhahn, FTD Executive Committee Chairman introduced Ken & Karen Seehafer of Seehafer Acres, Inc., as the host farm of the 2011 event. Seehafer Acres, owned and operated by Ken & Karen Seehafer since 1972, is located north of Marshfield on Hwy. 97, in the Township of McMillan, County of Marathon.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> generation family farm was originally purchased by Ken's grandfather in 1930 consisting of 80 acres. The farm grew to 200 acres by Ken's parents who were milking 36 cows when Ken purchased the farm in 1972. The operation continued to change throughout the years to its existing 600 acres and 200+ milking cows. Seehafer Acres is a picture perfect modern dairy facility managed by a husband and wife team showcasing cow comfort, herd management and conservation practices.

Seehafers pride themselves on making cow comfort a high priority, a full-time herdsman focuses on their comfort while maintaining herd health and breeding. Two full-time employees milk the cows twice a day in the double-ten parallel parlor. All livestock are raised on-site for biosecurity reasons, housing includes a freestall barn for 230 milking holsteins, a young stock facility to house yearlings and calves, along with a recently completed dry cow facility. The original dairy barn has been renovated to provide hay storage and to create a nursery for newborn calves.

Managing 700 acres of forage, corn and soybeans; Seehafer's utilize conservation practices through minimum tillage, strip cropping, terracing and waterways. Once harvested, feed is stored in four conventional stave silos, one harvester and two modern bunker silos.

Seehafer's are excited to showcase their facility and honored to represent Marathon County at the July 12-14, 2011 event.

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