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In Loving Memory

NJ's [Organic farming community](#) lost a leader in late December, [Gary Mount of Terhune Orchards](#). Always a welcome smile and friendly voice during industry meetings and on-farm events, Gary (along with the rest of the Mount family) have been generous with their time, knowledge, and resources, supporting education, policy, and community-building efforts for years. The entire NOFA NJ Community mourns the loss and celebrates the life of Gary.

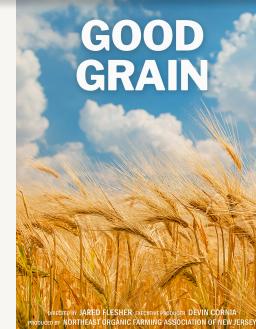
A memorial service will be held on April 14, 2026 at 1:30 p.m. at Terhune Orchards, 330 Cold Soil Road, Princeton, NJ. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to [New Jersey Horticultural Society Research Grants](#) and [International Fruit Tree Association Research](#).

In Gary's honor, the family has created a [tractor lineup](#) at the farm - each one reflects Gary's constant curiosity, innovation, and deep love of farming. Please come visit the farm, see the tractor lineup in person, and take a quiet moment to remember Gary and show support to their entire farm family.

• NOFA - NJ EVENTS

Want to catch the next showing of *Good Grain*? You've got a few options, don't pass up seeing this awesome collab between NOFA NJ and Hundred Year Films!

- January 24 - ACME Theatre Lambertville [MORE INFO](#)
- January 31 - Berkeley Hotel Asbury Park [MORE INFO](#)



01/31 - NOFA NJ 36th Annual Winter Conference

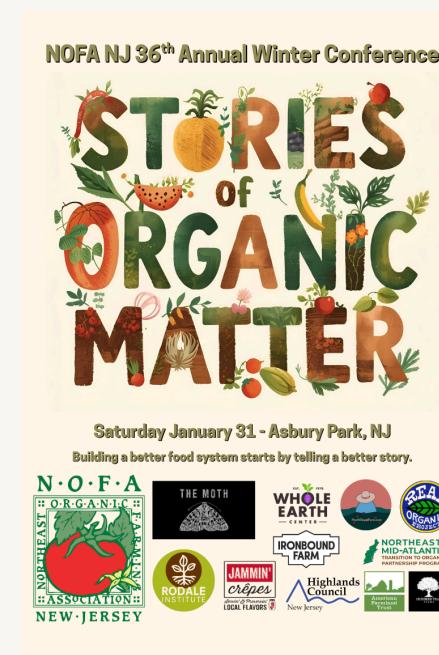
This year and next, our Annual Winter Conference will explore the stories within our community, highlighting the people and the passion behind the work we love.

Friday - Community Food Security Crawl

Saturday - All-Day Conference & Fun

Sunday - NOFA NJ Annual Meeting & Brunch

[Register Today!](#)



02/08 - Fundraiser at Wild Fern Brewing

Join us in Frenchtown, NJ as we celebrate the oncoming growing season and enjoy the incredible brews at Wild Fern! 20% of all draught sales from 4-7PM will be donated to support NOFA NJ's Community Kitchen in Milford, NJ!



COMMUNITY NEWS/EVENTS

2025 USDA Organic Survey

Organic farms and ranches in all 50 states should expect an invitation to complete the 2025 Organic Survey. The questionnaire asks producers information on acreage,

1/15 - Virtual Skillshare: Preparing for Tax Season

Join this one-hour virtual session covering practical frameworks for thinking through the upcoming tax season. Iris will share strategies business owners can use to be prepared—and feel calmer—as they approach year-end 2025. [MORE INFO](#)

1/27 - NewarkSaS Grant Writing & Business Development for Urban Growers Webinar

Join Nicole Calderon for a discussion on crafting compelling narratives and set your farm or business up for success in finding and securing funding. [MORE INFO](#)

1/28 - Fostering Farmers Fundraiser at Skinny Flowers Brewing

A cozy evening of brews, games, snacks, and live music to raise funds to benefit Fostering Farmers. Proceeds will fund our first growing season in 2026!. [MORE INFO](#)

2/05 - NJFDC Webinar: Organizing Your Food & Nutrition Assistance-Aligned Market

Get your market set up for success before the season begins. You'll learn what's working across NJ, troubleshoot common challenges, and leave with ready-to-use tools, checklists, and best practices you can apply immediately. [MORE INFO](#)

2/09 - Organic Apple Orchard Academy

Multiple Dates - The Organic Apple Orchard Academy is a premier virtual event hosted by the IPM Institute of North America and the Organic Fruit Growers Association. This course will benefit anyone interested in learning more about managing a small orchard and will include content on site selection/site prep, orchard design and layout, varieties and rootstock, horticultural practices, marketing and organic approaches to pest management. [MORE INFO](#)

American Farmland Trust (AFT) is excited to announce opportunities for farmers in the Northeast to build long-term viability through agrivoltaics, the intentional use of land for agriculture and solar energy production.

Agrivoltaics offers farmers a unique opportunity to diversify income, optimize land use, and build long-term viability without having to choose between agriculture and solar energy. From grazing livestock under solar arrays to growing specialty crops, this dual-use approach can help farms thrive in a changing climate. [MORE INFO](#)

2/19 - Coyote Ridge Homestead Workshop Series

This workshop series offers the ultimate flexibility, suitable for the beginner gardener to the experienced gardener looking to gain new tips, inspiration, & community.

We will meet partially **ONLINE** in the winter and **IN-PERSON** on the farm in spring and summer. You can sign up for one session or for all of them!

Can't make the **LIVE** online meetings? All Zoom sessions will be available as recordings so you can watch at your own convenience as well. Each session has downloadable tools and links to materials for you to increase your success for your garden this year. We will address both growing vegetables and cut flowers. [MORE INFO](#)

NJ Beneficial Insect Lab Availability

Put beneficial insects to work as part of an organic IPM or Integrated Weed Management plan on your farm. [MORE INFO](#)

ACUA Master Composter Training Program

The Master Composter Training Program is offered in partnership with the Rutgers Cooperative Extension and NJ Composting Council. Participants get an in-depth look at how to compost. [MORE INFO](#)

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Cherry Grove Organic Farm

Market/Field Staff

Foodshed Alliance

Farm Maintenance Coordinator

Moonshot Farm

MEVO

Farm Manager In Training

Anchor Run CSA

Farm Crew

NJ Department of Agriculture

Stewardship Program Specialist

GRANTS & FUNDING

Farmer Veteran Coalition Fellowships

The Farmer Veteran Fellowship Fund is a small grant program that provides direct assistance to veterans who are in their beginning years of farming or ranching. [MORE INFO](#)

Xerces Mid-Atlantic Monarch and Pollinator Habitat Kit Program

The Xerces Habitat Kit Program is offering habitat kits in the Northeast containing native milkweed and various nectar plants to partners who are willing to provide the time, labor, and land to create pollinator habitat. [MORE INFO](#)

Greenacres Regenerative Ag Research Grants

Research proposals should be systems-level and aim to fill knowledge gaps in the field of regenerative agriculture. Greenacres research grants are intended to support research projects resulting in peer-reviewed scientific journal publications. Publications are required to be open access. [MORE INFO](#)

NJ Agritourism Grant Program

The purpose of the New Jersey Agritourism Grant Program is to provide funding to support New Jersey agritourism businesses in their efforts to attract, entertain, and educate visitors. [MORE INFO](#)

MARKET CONNECTIONS

NOFA NJ Members are encouraged to share listings of product sought, product to sell, equipment for sale and more - email nofainfo@nofanj.org!

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Hunterdon County Chamber of Commerce

The Hunterdon County Chamber of Commerce works to enhance an economic climate that advances growth, prosperity and the quality of life for all who live, work and visit Hunterdon County.

Very farm-forward, the Hunterdon County Chamber of Commerce hosts a variety of farm gatherings, business meetings, and training workshops each year - by farmers and for farmers. Business development workshops, mentorship services, grant support and more can all be found at the Chamber. Reach out today!



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