



NOFA-NJ

A Little Shift in the Newsletter

Over the last few years, we've made a point to be as consistent as possible with our Weekly Newsletter, aiming to deliver event updates, community news, job openings and more into your inbox each Tuesday (or Wednesday) morning.

Behind the scenes, the NOFA NJ Team has kept beyond busy with some very exciting projects, several of which are beginning to take flight this Summer.

So, instead of a Weekly Newsletter, we're switching up the format a bit: the Newsletter as we know it will be sent Bi-Weekly. In the off-weeks, we're planning on taking more time to provide updates on NOFA NJ projects and share the stories of farmers and collaborators in our community.

As always, please continue to submit Newsletter Items via the [link on our Home Page](#). Thanks for supporting local and Organic in the Garden State!



Three Men and a Tractor: Big thanks to Jon (Two Barn Farm) for lending his bed lifter to support NOFA NJ's garlic harvest, Isaac (Ironbound Farm) for doing the heavy lifting, and Scott (NOFA NJ) for being the grease to the wheel for all things.

Garlic harvested will be used to explore value-added product feasibility and will be

NOFA-NJ EVENTS

NOFA NJ June Policy Happenings

Get the punch-list of NOFA NJ updates on legislative activities, upcoming Committee Meetings, Farm Bill news and more.

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07/29 - *Monthly Organic Open House*

On the last Wednesday of each month from 9:00-10:00 AM, we provide a platform for farmers and community members to connect, share knowledge, and discuss relevant topics in organic farming. No registration needed - join us on Zoom!

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08/05 - *Monthly Technical Assistance Open Hour*

Join NOFA NJ's Technical Assistance Staff on the first Wednesday of each month at 9AM via Zoom for a deep dive into seasonally-appropriate topics. As always, you can email specific support requests ahead of time to TA@nofanj.org.

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FesTomato Events!



8/15 - FesTomato at Ironbound Farm

8/22 - FesTomato at Walking Bird Farm

8/30 - FesTomato at Hunterdon Comm. Farmers Mkt.

favorite summer crop and the amazing farms and farmers that grow 'maters. Free and open to the public, FesTomato! events are include:

- **NOFA NJ All-Day Tomato Tasting** Sourced from local NJ farms, sample 20+ varieties of cherry, plum, heirloom, and classic slicing tomatoes
- **Pick-Your-Own Tomatoes** Get hands-on with the harvest and fill a pint for snacking on the way home, or join our gleaning partner to harvest tomatoes for local food security efforts
- **Farm Tours & Educational Sessions** Led by farmers, gardeners, and food professionals, take home knowledge to use in the garden and the kitchen
- **Vendor Marketplace** Connect with community partners, food businesses, and local organizations making a difference in food and agriculture
- **Local Food & Beverage** Enjoy tasty bites from local chefs and quench your thirst with local brews from area breweries
- **Live Music** Find a seat and enjoy the sounds of several live bands!
- **Kids Activities** From temporary tattoo parlors to flower arranging and more, there's something for everyone in the family to enjoy

08/24 - *Farm-to-Table Fundraiser at Jammin' Crepes*

Join us for an evening celebrating the abundance of New Jersey's summer harvest while supporting NOFA NJ! Hosted by Jammin' Crepes, Onion Bulb Productions, and the Eating for Your Health – Food is Medicine Programs offered through the Rutgers New Jersey Medical School Department of Family Medicine, this special event brings together local food, culinary education, sustainable agriculture, and community.

Guests will enjoy a delicious farm-to-table meal highlighting the best of New Jersey's summer bounty, featuring locally grown corn, tomatoes, lettuces, herbs, and more. Throughout the evening, chef Jared Batson of Onion Bulb Productions and Kim Rizk, owner of Jammin' Crepes and Master Food Preserver, will demonstrate practical techniques for cooking with and preserving seasonal produce so you can enjoy the harvest long after summer has passed.

You'll also hear from:

- Devin Cornia, Executive Director of NOFA-NJ and farmer (Hungry Work Organic Farm) will share insights into the vital connection among healthy soil, thriving

Medicine Programs, will discuss how food choices can support health, wellness, and disease prevention through a practical, empowering Food is Medicine approach.

The evening will feature a delicious seasonal menu, a live demonstration, preservation tips, and recipes to take home.

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COMMUNITY NEWS/EVENTS

July Workshops at Periwinkle Skies

First Workshop July 19! Enjoy some fantastic workshops on natural pigments, herbal remedies, and homesteading with Periwinkle Skies! These are great opportunities to learn and build eco-skills useful for the farm, homestead, and sustainable lifestyle.

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07/15 - Dr. Temple Grandin at Mercer Cooperative Extension

Join Rutgers Cooperative Extension for a book discussion, Q&A, and book signing with Dr. Temple Grandin!

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07/16 - Green Coalition of Atlantic City Gardens Tour

Join the Green Coalition of Atlantic City (GCAC) in celebrating the summer and the vibrant gardens by the shore! Visit 4-6 of the 22 gardens in the City, have the opportunity to speak to the growers, and see how they have impacted their communities

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Day

Join farmers, food security leaders, legislators, and key stakeholders at Fairgrown Farm to discuss how food security and agriculture can come together for a more bountiful future.

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08/14 - Fairgrown Farm-to-School Field Day

Join farmers, teachers, legislators and key stakeholders to discuss how local farms and schools can come together through outdoor education and local procurement to build brighter futures for our students.

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USDA Organic Certification Cost Share Funding Now Available!

OCCSP provides cost share assistance to producers and handlers for the costs of obtaining or maintaining organic certification under the National Organic Program. Producers and handlers are eligible to receive 75% of the costs, up to \$750 for each scope.

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Ironbound Farm

[Lead Line Cook](#)

Reed's Farm

[Animal Care Team Member](#)

Chamarel Farms

[Farm Manager](#)

Fairgrown Farm

[Logistics Worker](#)

Princeton Waldorf School

Foodshed Alliance

Growing Forward Program Manager

FoHIVOS

Stewardship Project Coordinator

GRANTS & FUNDING

Grants & Funding updates will now be restricted to the monthly Members-Only email - [become a Member today](#) to receive this and many other benefits!

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Rimol Greenhouses

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