

PSI Equipment Workshop
Gorzynski's Ornery Farm

Cochecton Center, NY
November 8, 2004

General Information about Gorzynski's Ornery Farm:

John Gorzynski has been an organic grower for over 26 years in Sullivan County, NY. Gorzynski was one of the first organic farmers to sell his products at the Union Square Farmers Market in New York City. He is the County President of the Sullivan County Farm Bureau. John and his wife, Sue Gorzynski grow more than 100 different seasonal vegetables, herbs and small fruits on their 52-acre farm in Cochecton Center, New York.



John Gorzynski,
Photo by
Richard Ross

PSI Workshop Overview:

The Seed Processing and Equipment Training Workshop began at 9:00 am and ran until noon. There were 15 people in attendance. Bob Martens, Bill Garman (USDA-ARS, PGRU) and Michael Glos (NOFA – NY) represented the PSI seed team.

The morning started with an overview of the PSI project and going over the seed production manuals. Since this was an experience group in seed cleaning, we jumped right into cleaning seed. Some of the seed brought by people included flower seed, celery, dill and soybeans. All the equipment stayed at the farm for over a month due to inclement weather prohibiting the pick-up of the seed equipment. John was more than willing to keep the equipment for longer than anticipated in order to clean his entire seed crop.



*Left: John's new sign for his "Ornery" farm.
Right: Organic vegetables produced at John's farm.
Photos by Richard Ross.*



Gorzynski's
Workshop Attendees

John Gorzynski, Cochection Center, NY

Trina Pilonero, Jeffersonville, NY

Barbie Bernag, Valencia, PA

Brian Autry, Valencia, PA

Theresa Mycek, Valencia, PA

Shoshana Woodworth, Valencia, PA

Eric Anderson, Harrisburg, PA

Greg Swartz, Cochection Center, NY

Andy Megdanis, Orangebury, NY

Jason Grzanna, Lodi, WI

Scott Rando, Sholanala, PA

Maria Grinaldi, Livingston Manor, NY

Michael Glos, PSI Staff

Bob Martens, PSI Staff

Bill Garman, PSI Staff