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EVERYTHING'S COMING UP PEACHY!

It's the time of year when peach tree owners are beginning to wonder what they are going to do with their produce! An abundant crop this year has flooded the market, and everyone is wondering what to do with their excess peaches.

The Sunshine County Cooperative Extension Service will conduct a meeting on Tuesday, January 24, at the County Fairgrounds, from 9:00-12:00 noon, with a variety of information about ways to use peaches, and how to grow them. 4-H members will demonstrate drying and canning methods, and Master Gardeners will discuss pruning and fertilization techniques for next winter. The morning will conclude with a Peach Cook-Off, with a chance to sample some of the best peach recipes of Sunshine County. Participants will be the judges for a variety of recipes.

No pre-registration is required and this program is available to everyone regardless of age, ancestry, color, mental or physical disability, gender, serious medical condition, national origin, race, religion, sexual orientation, gender identity, spousal affiliation, or veteran status. If you are a person with a disability who is in need of an auxiliary aid or service to participate in the event, please contact Fuzzy Cheeks at 123-4567 by January 13, 2006.

Related literature from the Cooperative Extension Service and the National Peach Grower's Association will be available for participants. Extension Horticulturist Bud Wright will be on-hand to diagnose disease and insect problems.