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“Taste of Lee Tropical Fruit Fair” returns to downtown Fort Myers

Fort Myers, FL, June 10, 2016 – More than 1,200 people are expected to flock to downtown Fort Myers on June 25 for the annual “Taste of Lee Tropical Fruit Fair” event, a collaboration between UF/IFAS Lee County Extension and the Caloosa Rare Fruit Exchange.

Visitors will discover an array of locally grown tropical fruits and vegetables. An emphasis is placed on the unusual fruits that many people have not seen or tasted. Free tastings of locally grown fruits and vegetables are provided. Farmers will also bring their edibles for sale including cheese, honey, herbs, fruits, and vegetables. Tropical fruit trees will be for sale. Also at the event: free classes offered by experts in herbs, making teas, growing tropical fruits and trees, edible natives and more.

The event will be 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, June 25, at City Gate Ministries, formerly First Baptist Church of Fort Myers, 1735 Jackson St., Fort Myers. General admission is \$2; children 12 and under are free. There is no pre-registration and parking is free. Raffles are planned hourly.

The event is organized by UF/IFAS Extension Agents as well as numerous Caloosa Rare Fruit members and UF/Extension Master Gardeners. For more information call 239-533-7504 or visit www.lee.ifas.ufl.edu.

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Note to media: Images available upon request. Contact Kristie Valone at Lee County Parks & Recreation, 239-533-7437 or kvalone@leegov.com.