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AZ FFA GREENHAND CONFERENCE

On September, 13th, 2012, a group of first-year agriscience students from Paradise Valley FFA traveled to the west valley to attend the 2012 Arizona FFA Greenhand Conference at Millennium High School.

The Arizona FFA Greenhand Conference is usually the first FFA event that an Arizona FFA member ever attends. It provides them with an introduction to the FFA from current and past state FFA officers. They are able to meet other Greenhand members from several

other chapters. Often times, the friends that they meet at this conference, they will carry with them throughout high school and beyond.

This is the first time in several years that the Paradise Valley FFA Chapter was able to attend and we are very grateful. Thanks to WestMEC, we were able to send nearly twenty Agriscience 1-2 students to attend this conference.

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Paradise Valley FFA Member/Parent Ice Cream Social

On the evening of September 20th, we hosted our annual back to school Ice Cream Social. Only this year, we did it a little differently.

This year we invited both the students and their parents so that they could all get a feel for what FFA is all about and what we do. We felt it was important to make this change so that the parents would be able to be more involved in their child's FFA membership and they would be more successful.

After the opening ceremony, students went with the chapter officers for some activities while parents stayed for a brief presentation about our alumni affiliate and how they could become involved.

After the presentation concluded, the parent rejoined the students and we all shared ice cream together.

It was a great event and we hope to continue the tradition in the future to benefit both our members and their parents.



Mrs. Molly Kemp, PV FFA Parent, talking to a group of new FFA parents.

OCTOBER CALENDAR

**10/02/12 -
Early Release**

**10/12/12 -
End of Quarter**

**10/17/12 -
State FFA Officer Visit**

**10/17/12 -
Pizza, Pumpkins and
Platypuses Event**

**10/23-27/12 -
National FFA
Convention**

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SEPTEMBER PICTURES



Paradise Valley FFA Greenhand Introduction

The Greenhand Introduction is a new event this year for us. We decided that we should have an event for Greenhands only because of our large first-year member population this year.

This even allowed our first year members to come in and get to know our chapter officers and their fellow Greenhand members in a smaller setting before the first chapter event rolled around and the regular members were there all at once.

We were able to get our Greenhand members a little more familiar with FFA through activities and discussion and, of course, food.

By the time the meeting was over, our Greenhands were excited to begin their first year in FFA, we even passed out a couple of Greenhand Officer applications!





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Paradise Valley FFA Welcomes New Chapter and Greenhand Officers

With the addition of four more officers and four class representatives, the 2012-2013 Chapter Officer Team is in full swing!

Your new officers are:

Kayla Pabon: Vice President
 Danni Petersen: Reporter
 Cole Kemp: Vice President At-Large
 Joe Snavelly: Historian

Your Class Representatives Are:

First Hour: Robbie Holland
 Second Hour: Victor Santana
 Fifth Hour: Sam Osterlind and Brenna Hyduke

We have a great group of officers and we are really excited to get the year started!

We also welcomed a brand new team of Greenhand Officers for this year:

President: Jeff Edeen
 Vice President: Cami Munoz
 Secretary: Sam Osterlind
 Treasurer: Robbie Holland
 Reporter: Brenna Hyduke
 Sentinel: Victor Santana
 Photographer: Aemilia Scroggins
 Vice President At-Large: Vince Schnieder

We are so excited that our two officer teams are now complete and we can kick this year into high gear! Make sure you stay up to date! We have a lot of great things planned for this year!