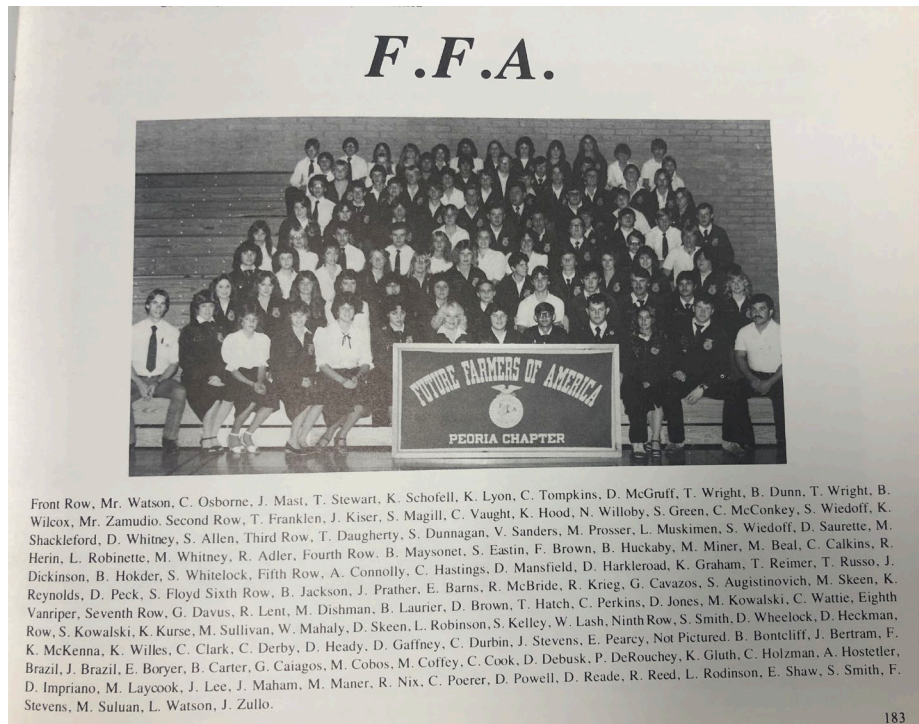


The 1980s

The agriculture program continued to grow in the 1980s. Pictured below is the FFA chapter photo from the 1983 yearbook with instructors, Mr. Zamudio and Mr. Watkins.



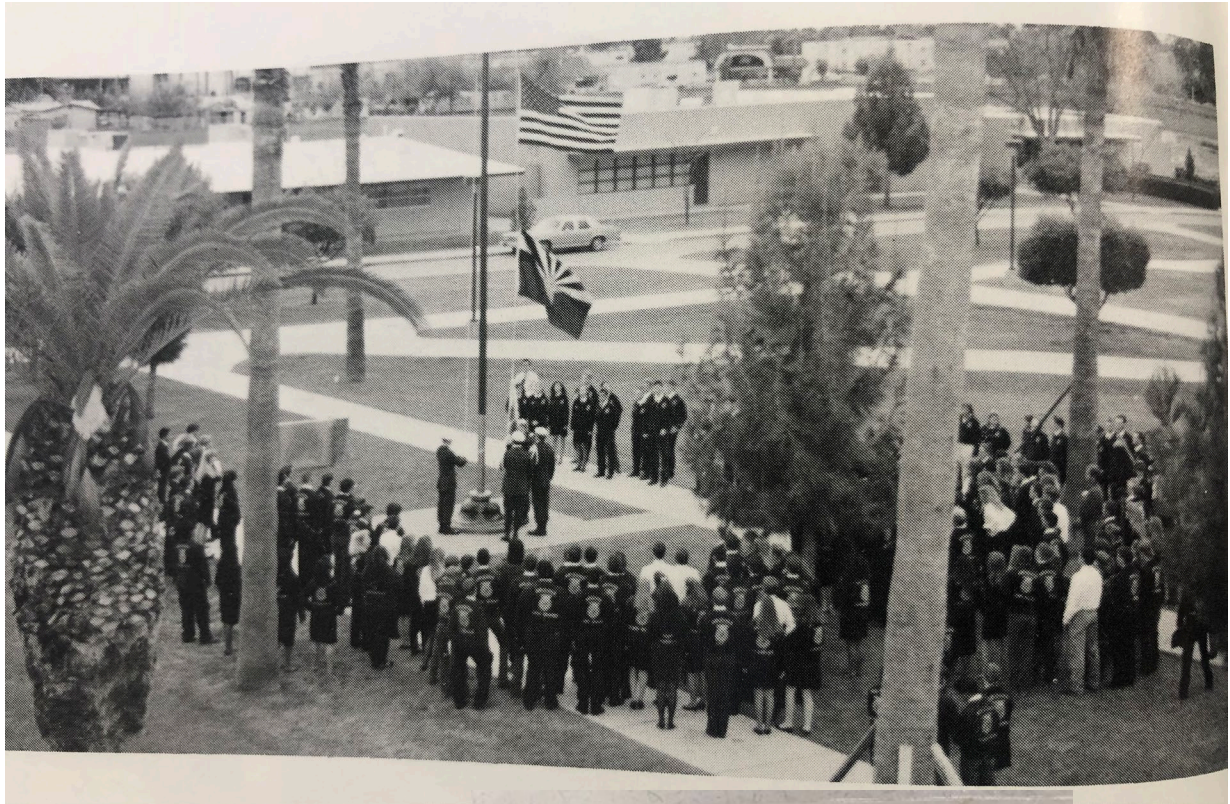
During the mid-1980s, the Peoria Agricultural Program began a long run of winning the National Chapter Award for best chapter in the state. The program would begin to evolve during the 1980s from a production agriculture program to an urban agriculture program featuring training in landscape design, landscape installation and maintenance, and nursery/greenhouse management. Accompanying all these changes was an equally long run of having Peoria FFA members elected as state FFA officers.

Shown here are the chapter officers from 1989.



It was also during the late 1980s (1985) when the annual Peoria FFA Mini-Camp was initiated. A Mini Camp is a leadership event attracting FFA members from across the state for a 24-hour experience. The event continues to this day.

FFA Mini Camp attendees gather around the flagpole for flag raising during the annual Peoria FFA Mini Camp.



MINI LEADERSHIP CAMP SCHEDULE

MARCH 14, FRIDAY

7:00- 7:30	Registration
7:30- 8:00	Opening Ceremonies "WELCOME"
8:00-10:15	Workshops (with groups)
10:15-12:15	Dance
12:15-12:30	Vespers
12:30- 1:00	Goals Workshop
1:30-	Lights Out

SATURDAY 15

6:30- 7:30	"Goodmorning"
7:45- 7:55	X-ersize
8:00- 8:15	Flag Raising & Thought for the Day
8:15- 9:15	Breakfast
9:15-12:00	Workshops
12:00- 1:00	Picnic
1:00- 2:00	Etiquette Workshop
2:00- 3:00	Group Workshop
3:00- 4:00	Foot Rodeo
4:00- 5:00	Change for Banquet
5:00- 6:00	Pack-Up
6:00- 7:00	Banquet
7:30-	Bye! Bye!

The schedule for the 1986 Mini Camp.