



GOOD NEWS UPDATE

November 2, 2016

Collier Elementary

The Collier school garden continues to grow as our students learn about and care for the plants. Thank you to 3rd grade teacher **Jackie Older** for her hard work in making this community project a successful one. We would also like to thank the Center for the Future of Arizona and SpeakOut AZ for their contributions and support. To read more about the garden, please visit the links below.

<http://www.arizonafuture.org/>

<http://www.arizonafuture.org/news/taww/seeds-of-learning-collier-elementary-school-garden.html>



Country Place Leadership Academy

7 Habits of Highly Effective People Regional Training. Country Place Leadership Academy hosted the 1st Annual Regional 7 Habits of Highly Effective People training. New staff to Leader in Me Schools around the Valley came to Country Place to learn the 7 habits from Franklin Covey Coach Kelli Johnson.

PTA Fall Festival. The Country Place Leadership Academy PTA hosted a great Fall Festival on October 27th! There was trick or treating with treats supplied by the PTA and the staff. There were a variety of arts and crafts activities provided by the PTA and different grade level teams. The 4th grade team created a Haunted Hallway and the 8th graders designed and created their own Haunted Classroom! There were over 500 people in attendance and everyone had a great time. A special thanks to the PTA officers, Liz Acosta, Lourdes Lopez and Ana Cruz. An additional special thanks to the 4th grade team, the 8th grade team, the mad scientist **Ruth Miller** and all the staff that made this a great event for our students and the community!



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Coyotes Visit. Four staff members from the Phoenix Coyotes spent the day at Country Place teaching students the basics of hockey and celebrating leadership. Thanks to PE teacher *Vanessa Lovro* for arranging the visit!

Girls Basketball Champions. Congratulations to the Country Place Girls Basketball Team for winning the District Championship this year. A special thanks to all of the basketball coaches *Erika Poblete*, *Mariza Lopez*, *Tatum Green*, *Carrie Rodriguez* and *Serena Garcia*.

Energy Club. The Energy Club, sponsored by teachers *Maria Serrano* and *Rocio Suarez-Ruiz* is working to make an impact in our community by educating students, staff and families in energy conservation. On November 1st they placed stickers by light switches to remind us to turn off the lights to save power! Keep up the great leading and learning!

