

Dear GEAA members and friends,

Just wanted to let you know about some great events hosted by GEAA's member groups.

One of our favorite events is this Saturday when the **Leon Springs Business Association** presents their annual [GreenFest](#). The 4th Annual Leon Springs Family Greenfest will be at **Fralo's Pizza on September 22, 2012 from 11 am to 3 pm**. Founded in 2009 by Mario Obledo, Jr. the GreenFest strives to make living in an environmentally aware way personal, practical, and positive by showing people how to make small changes that add up to big benefits for their wallets, for their health, and, of course, for the health of the planet. Not political or activist, Greenfest offers simple, useful ideas broken down into achievable steps that make going green a gradual and affordable process rather than an all-or-nothing plunge.

Another exciting event this Saturday is brought to you by the **Alamo Group of the Sierra Club**, who are hosting **Sierra Club's National Plug In Day on September 22nd from noon to 5:pm at Wonderland of the America's Mall** in San Antonio. It'll be a great event with lots of cars to ogle and test drive, plus music, food, and fun.

The **Wimberley Valley Watershed Association** invites you to a picnic at Jacob's Well with music by Kim Miller, Blue Grass Jam with Mike and Louie Bond and singer song writer April Rapiere and Sugar Bayou from **4:pm to 7:pm on Saturday, September 29th at 1405 Mt. Sharp Road in Wimberley, Texas**. Help support WVWA programs focused on keeping Jacob's Well, Cypress Creek and the Blanco River [clean, clear, and flowing](#). Your \$35 membership provides entry to the event, a Jacob's Well T-shirt and monthly news updates from WVWA. Please RSVP by Sept. 21st to be entered in the drawing to win a weekend retreat in Junction at [Cool River Cabin](#) donated by Native American Seed Company. Sign up today by donating at www.wimberleywatershed.org

The **Headwaters Coalition** could use your help cleaning up the Headwaters of the San Antonio River on Sat. Sept 29, Sat. Oct 13, Sat. Nov 3, Sat. Nov 17, Sat. Dec 8, and Sat. Dec 15 All workdays are from 8:30 to 11:30. Come dressed for the woods. There will be lots of brush to run through the chipper!

For the first time since it opened in 2005, [Government Canyon State Natural Area](#) will allow overnight camping in its front country, walk-in tent campground beginning Friday, October 5. Visitors can find a unique and rustic camping experience in close proximity to a major metropolitan area. The campground will be open Friday and Saturday nights only, and will offer 23 walk-in campsites and 2 walk-in group campsites for tent campers only. Campsites will cost \$18 per night, plus the standard per-person entrance fee of \$6 (entrance fee waived with valid Texas State Parks Pass). Visit the Government Canyon [web page](#) to see campground maps and campsite photographs and to reserve a campsite online.

In other news, GEAA and environmental groups from across the state are working together to create common sense plans to address the State's water needs, which will be a big issue during the upcoming legislative session. Stay tuned for more news about our legislative agenda.

And, check out [GEAA's interactive map of Sewage Leaks](#) and join us when we [roast Mayor Phil Hardberger on October 10th at 6:30 the Bright Shawl Tea Room](#).

Have a wonderful weekend and a great fall!

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