Dear GEAA members and friends,

This week we got a packet of letters in the mail from Zamora Middle School students thanking GEAA and Rackspace for teaching them about the Edwards Aquifer.

Reading these letters made me extremely grateful for GEAA's partnership with <u>Rackspace</u> and Communities in Schools of San Antonio to present <u>inclassroom labs and lectures</u> and trips to <u>Government Canyon State Natural Area</u> to hundreds of students each year.

Dear Rackspace and GEAA Thank you for taking you time to educate us doont the Oquifer. I liked how it took a long time to for the agnifer to form. I want to make a difference and help out with the agnifer. Thanks to you Mrs. Deluna Thank you, Tomatos

They also made me laugh. I'm pretty sure Mrs. De Luna (<u>Joann De Luna</u>, <u>GEAA Education Director</u>) didn't say anything about tomatoes in her presentation. But, it was pretty clear from the letters that she did a great job of sparking the students curiosity about the aquifer and its caves and critters - as well as teaching them what they must do to protect our water resources.

So, I wanted to share these <u>heartwarming letters</u> with all of you and thank you, Rackspace, and the Texas Department of Parks and Wildlife for making these programs possible. And, to let you know how proud I am to be working with incredibly qualified folks like Mrs. De Luna as part of our GEAA staff.

Have a great weekend!

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