

Dear GEAA members and friends,

We have lots to be thankful for, especially for all of the great interns and students who have worked with GEAA on <u>research projects</u> that inform our advocacy to protect our aquifers. Over the past 14 years, GEAA has worked with 145 students from UTSA, UT Austin, Texas State University, Trinity University, Our Lady of the Lake University, and St. Mary's University. Some of our interns have landed jobs with GEAA over the years, and all of them have gone on to great careers. A big thanks to all of you, both those who have worked with us and all of our GEAA members who made this possible.

There are lots great events scheduled for this holiday season. Here are just a few:

San Marcos – The Meadows Center (formerly Aquarena Springs) is offering holiday boat tours. (Nov 24th and 25th and Dec. 2nd, 9th, 16th, 21st through 23rd, and 26th through the 30th). The Meadows Center offers special Christmas glass bottom boat tours in the evening to enjoy the lights and the sounds of the holiday. Cookies and hot beverages will be served. Tickets are \$14 and children under 3 ride free. Call 512-245-9200 or go to http://HolidayTours.MeadowsWater.org to purchase tickets.

Austin – Save Our Springs Holiday Party Join SOS Alliance to celebrate their 25th Anniversary on Friday, December 8th from 6:pm to midnight at the American Legion Charles Johnson House overlooking Lady Bird Lake. Music, dancing, and the best silent auction ever! More info <u>here</u>.

San Antonio – American Indians in Texas - Spanish Colonial

<u>Missions</u> presents their 2nd Annual <u>Pecan Harvest Fundraiser</u> on December 2nd at Casa Hernán. This year's Pecan Harvest will recognize The Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word in acknowledgment of their preservation of the Blue Hole, a site sacred to the Coahuiltecan People. Door prizes and raffles will be a part of the evening's festivities, to complement the pecan themed indigenous-inspired foods and beverages. Click here for more info.

Bexar County - Landowners may be facing threats to their groundwater supplies from South Comal Water Supply Company and Texas Water Supply Company, who plan to export 32,000 acre feet from the Trinity Aquifer from two well fields to the south and to the east of Camp Bullis. GEAA is working with the Trinity Glenrose Groundwater Conservation District and is grateful for the efforts of <u>TESPA</u>. Read more <u>here</u>.

Bulverde – Community Awareness Meeting Join Friends of Dry Comal Creek to learn more about plans for the Vulcan Quarry to be located at Hwy. 46 in Bulverde on December 7th from 6:30 – 9 p.m. at the Bulverde Spring Branch Activity Center. GEAA is partnering with citizens in Comal County to oppose the permits for this and the Anderson Quarry, and with citizens in Kendall County to oppose yet another Vulcan operation on Hwy. 46 in Kendall County. Stay tuned for more on these important issues. To learn more, click here and here and here. To reserve seating click here.

We will be posting more about holiday and community events as we learn about them so, stay tuned for more.

We realize you are probably being inundated with requests for Giving Tuesday. Well, here's another. If you are so inclined, please send a check to GEAA, P.O. Box 15618, San Antonio, Texas 78212 of send some cheer <u>on-</u> <u>line</u>. I guarantee you it will be put to good use and our <u>staff</u> and <u>Board of</u> <u>Directors</u> will love you for it!

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Wishing all of you a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday!

Gratefully yours,

Annalisa Peace

Executive Director Greater Edwards Aquifer Alliance

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