

Dear GEAA members and friends,

As GEAA approaches our tenth anniversary, I'd like to report on the progress of some of the very special people who have played an integral role in all that we have accomplished over the years.

After coming to GEAA as a one of our first interns in 2005, Elyzabeth Earnley worked with us as Education Coordinator until 2009. Upon leaving us, she earned her MS at the Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Studies, and currently works with Phase One Consulting Group in Washington, D.C.

Francesca Camillo, GEAA Special Projects Coordinator and Office Manager from 2006 - 2008, went on to graduate with an MS in Urban Planning at Columbia University as a graduate fellow of Fund for the City of New York. She currently writes about various aspects of eco-agriculture for Acres U.S.A.

Rachel Dealy, GEAA Events Coordinator from 2006 - 2011 opened her own business, RAD Vintage and Thrift, and founded The Collective, host to numerous events that make SouthTown San Antonio an exciting place to live and visit.

Miguel Vela, Administrative Assistant from 2008 -2009, went on to graduate from St. Mary's Law School. He passed the bar and is practicing in San Antonio, Texas.

Elena Serna, Special Projects and Education Coordinator from 2008 to 2010 left GEAA for a stint at Big Brothers Big Sisters of South Texas before enrolling in the Woodrow Wilson School of Public Policy at Princeton University. Having just completed a summer internship at the White House, she will be graduating this year.

Lisa Jo Bowers, Special Projects Coordinator from 2010 to 2011, returned to her home in New York City, where she currently works for Planned Parenthood.

Mark Wilkinson interned with GEAA for three semesters, graduating from Trinity University this past fall. He will soon be leaving for an internship in environmental and agricultural economics in Costa Rica.

We are incredibly grateful to Elyzabeth, Fran, Rachel, Miguel, Elena, Lisa, and Mark - and to so many others who have contributed their energy and talents to GEAA over the past ten years. It has been a joy and a privilege to work with them. We wish them all well and look forward to establishing new relationships with our most talented young environmentalists during the coming years.

Have a great weekend!

Annalisa Peace

Executive Director  
[Greater Edwards Aquifer Alliance](#)

PS – under the heading of *Enough is Enough!* from today's San Antonio Express News: [3 wells over aquifer tainted - Contaminant is used by dry cleaners and garages](#)  
"the good news is that our system tends to dilute everything out." The bad news is we are polluting the Aquifer.