

Maria Eugenia “Meg” Guerra

LareDOS Publisher

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Maria Eugenia (Meg) Guerra is an environmentalist, an award-winning journalist, and the publisher of the online news journal LareDOS, an iteration of the newspaper she established in 1994 and printed in hard copy until 2014. LareDOS has been an advocate for human and civil rights, environmental justice, and the judicious spending of the public nickel.

Her early environmental writing ---- which focused on the conditions of the Rio Grande, the void meaningful City and state environmental policies, and the work of the Rio Grande International Study center ---- brought awareness to public officials of the need to safeguard the riparian ecosystem, the watershed, and the river, the sole source of drinking water for millions of downriver Texans and Mexicans.

Guerra is one the founding members of the Rio Grande International Study Center and served as its first executive director.

She is a communications graduate of Southwest Texas State University and is a writer of short stories and a producer of oral histories in video format.

She is a rancher in San Ygnacio, managing a cow/calf operation at Santa María Ranch and using best environmental and conservation practices on land that has been in her family for two centuries.

She is the mother of Laredo City Council member George J. Altgelt, an attorney, and the grandmother of Emily and Amandita Altgelt, all good stewards of the environment.