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Cannon Turner, left, and Emma Lowe make lifestyle of the monarch butterfly displays using pasta and paper plates while Eli Lowe looks on Saturday during the Earth Day Aiken festival. They were visiting the Butterfly Monarchy Club exhibit.

Earth Day event aims to promote, preserve, protect the environment

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Cathy isn't a pretty bird. The turkey vulture's eyes are beady, and her red head is bald and wrinkled.

She also has a nasty habit. When Cathy gets nervous or scared, she throws up, and the smell "can drive you out of a room," said Sean Poppy, outreach coordinator for the Savannah River Ecology Laboratory.

Cathy was part of the facility's exhibit of live animals at the Earth Day Aiken festival on Saturday.

"For an event like this, we



