



Chowan Edenton Environmental Group

Grassroots Effort since 2007

Group

WORKING WITH OUR COMMUNITY FOR POSITIVE ACTION

SPRING 2016

It is our world, your environment!

We are pleased that Chowan County citizens are involved in their local environment in many different ways. The Chowan Edenton Environmental Group (CEEG) supports educational seminars about environmental issues by partnering with a number of state and local agencies. We initiate community projects encouraging citizens of all ages to actively engage in conservation of our natural resources.

HIGHLIGHTS FROM 2015

The CEEG hosted several special seminars last year. In April, we focused on invasive land plants as an extension of the work that we have been doing for several years on aquatic invasive weeds (*Hydrilla*). The program, "Kudzu's Cousins", included speakers from the NC State Climate Office, NC Department of Agriculture, NC Cooperative Extension, NC Department of Transportation, and other experts on native and invasive land

plants. We continued our educational programming in September with a special series on pollinators. The "Protect our Pollinators" programs were held at the Edenton Coffee Shop. We invited knowledgeable experts on monarch butterflies, bees and hummingbirds to share current information about these populations.

The CEEG partners with NC Sea Grant on a *Hydrilla* monitoring project for the Chowan River. Our citizen volunteers record the presence and density of this invasive weed in the river using special GPS referenced tablet software. The data is uploaded to a master database and mapped. Please see the NC Sea Grant website for additional information as well as the completed maps. <https://ncseagrants.ncsu.edu/hydrilla/hydrilla-learn-more/>

UPCOMING EVENTS IN 2016

**2016 Green Fair - March 19th
9 AM - 1 PM, Old Armory
N. Broad Street, Edenton, NC**



THE CEEG MISSION

To encourage discussion related to community and regional environmental issues, to provide expertise and current research pertaining to critical environmental concerns, and to support actions that serve to reduce or correct local environmental problems



Susan Campbell discusses hummingbird migration in the Protect our Pollinator series