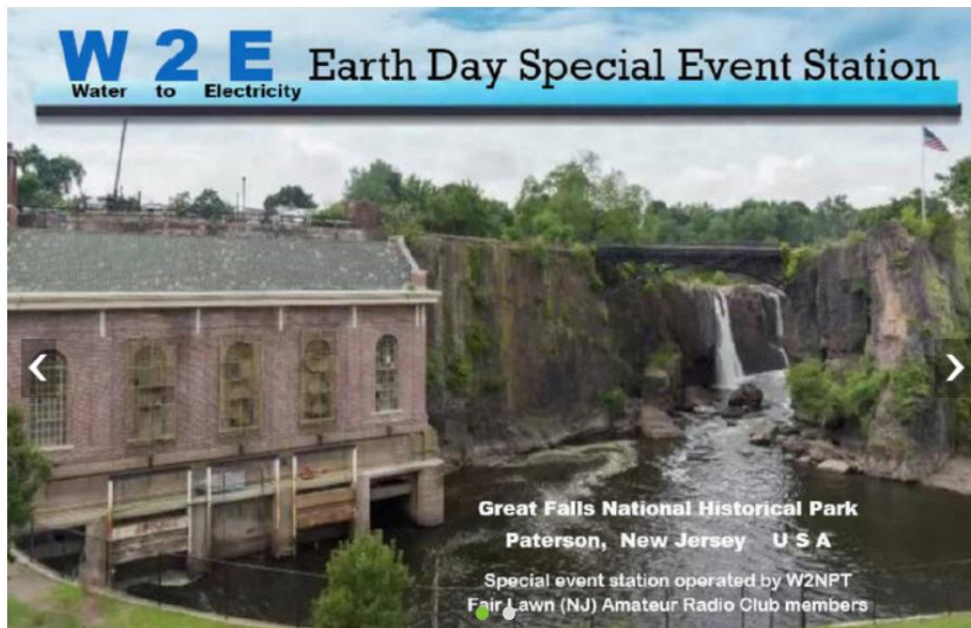




Fair Lawn Amateur Radio Club to Partner with Paterson Great Falls National Historical Park in Earth Day Special Event

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PATERSON, NJ - The Fair Lawn Amateur Radio Club (FLARC) will partner with the National Park Service with a special event amateur radio station to be held at the Paterson Great Falls National Historical Park in Paterson, NJ.

The event will be held on Friday, April 13 at the National Park Service location at Mary Ellen Kramer Park, entrance along Maple Street, Paterson, NJ from 9AM until 4PM. The event is part of a larger celebration sponsored by the Passaic Valley Sewerage Commission, Eagle Creek Renewable Energy and the National Park Service.

Hundreds of area students will converge on The Historical Park for educational activities and will gain exposure to the fun and benefits of amateur radio at the same time. Participants in addition to The Fair Lawn Amateur Radio Club will include The Paterson Museum, The Academy of Earth and Space Science (PANTHER Academy of Paterson), The Green Club from the STEM Academy at John F.

Kennedy High School, The Great Swamp Watershed Association, New Jersey Watershed Ambassadors the Bergen County Zoo, City Green, Paterson SMART, and the Passaic River Institute from Montclair State University.

The club's special event call sign (W2E) is to commemorate "Water To Electricity" and the vision behind Alexander Hamilton's transformation of the Passaic River to turn Paterson into the first planned industrial city in America by taming the power of water.

A special event station is an amateur radio operation usually activated to observe or commemorate a special or historical event. The station will operate on numerous frequencies allowing other amateur operators around the world to contact them to recognize this special day. Those who make contact will have the opportunity to receive a commemorative contact card known as a QSL card.

For more information about the amateur radio event, please visit the club's website at www.fairlawnarc.org or call 201-791-3841. For information on the national park, please visit the Paterson Great Falls National Historical Park website at www.nps.gov/pagr or call 973-523-0370.