



Preserve America Community Designation Events in 2009

January 13, 2009: Mrs. Laura Bush sends a letter of congratulations to 23 new communities, for a total of 736 designated Preserve America Communities.

The 23 new communities are:

Valley, Alabama	Livermore, California	North Castle, New York
Tombstone, Arizona	Bloomington, Indiana	Waterford, New York
Batesville, Arkansas	Greensburg, Indiana	Lancaster, Pennsylvania
Fayetteville, Arkansas	Logansport, Indiana	Blythewood, South Carolina
Hot Springs, Arkansas	Wabash, Indiana	Austin, Texas
North Little Rock, Arkansas	Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan	Belton, Texas
Randolph County, Arkansas	Miles City, Montana	Bryan, Texas
Tyronza, Arkansas	Halfmoon, New York	

January 29, 2009: Chairman John Nau and Texas Speaker of the House Joe Straus present designation certificates to representatives of four Preserve America Communities at a dinner in Austin. Accepting are Mayor Virginia Dupuy of Waco, Mayor Pro-Tem Marion Grayson and Jerri Gauntt of Belton, Virginia Scott of Lipscomb County, and Representative James Keffer on behalf of Albany, Texas.

April 24, 2009: Allen Tom, Regional Director, Pacific Islands Region, Office of National Marine Sanctuaries, NOAA, presents the County of Kauai Preserve America Community designation certificate to Congresswoman Mazie Hirono.

May 13, 2009: Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Fish and Wildlife and Parks Tom Strickland, assisted by ACHP Chairman John Nau, recognizes Baltimore, College Park, and Rockville, Maryland as Preserve America Communities at a Washington, DC reception in conjunction with the quarterly meeting of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation.

May 27, 2009: At an event in the Teton County Commission Chambers in Jackson, Wyoming, ACHP Chairman John Nau presents Teton County Commission Chairman Hank Phibbs and Jackson, Wyoming Mayor Mark Barron with their respective Preserve America Community designation certificates.

June 19, 2009: ACHP Chairman John Nau presents Lac du Flambeau Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians Tribal President Carl Edwards with the tribe's Preserve America Community designation certificate. The ceremony is held at the Lac du Flambeau Amphitheatre in Lac du Flambeau, Wisconsin.

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July 29, 2009: First Lady Michelle Obama sends a letter of congratulation to 26 new Preserve America Communities, for a total of 762 designated communities. This marks the first community designations by the new Administration.

The 26 new communities are:

Seward, Alaska	Darien, Georgia	Canandaigua, New York
Benton, Arkansas	Pierce, Idaho	Hunter, New York
Pocahontas, Arkansas	Riverside, Illinois	West Salem Historic District,
Texarkana, Arkansas	DeRidder, Louisiana	Winston-Salem, North Carolina
Koreatown, Los Angeles,	Ferriday, Louisiana	Hudson, Ohio
California	Sanford, Maine	Scottsdale, Pennsylvania
Santa Paula, California	Falmouth, Massachusetts	Seguin, Texas
Old Lyme, Connecticut	Tupelo, Mississippi	Green Bay, Wisconsin
Southbury, Connecticut	Excelsior Springs, Missouri	
Cobb County, Georgia	Missoula County, Montana	

September 2, 2009: Dan Basta, Director of NOAA's Office of National Marine Sanctuaries and Congresswoman Mazie Hirono lead a public celebration of Kaua'i County, Hawaii's designation as a Preserve America Community at the Lihue Civic Center.

October 7, 2009: First Lady Michelle Obama sends a letter of congratulation to 33 new Preserve America Communities, for a total of 795 designated communities.

The 33 new communities are:

Conway, Arkansas	St. Marys, Georgia	Crow Tribe of Indians
Pine Bluff, Arkansas	Valdosta, Georgia	Clayton, New York
Palm Springs, California	Vienna, Georgia	Perrysburg, Ohio
Solvang, California	Lemont, Illinois	Bedford County, Pennsylvania
Hebron, Connecticut	Plainfield, Illinois	Connellsville, Pennsylvania
Windham, Connecticut	Nappanee, Indiana	Lansdowne, Pennsylvania
Washington, District of	Farmington, Maine	Beaufort, South Carolina
Columbia	Plymouth, Massachusetts	Cheraw, South Carolina
Fernandina Beach, Florida	Boonville, Missouri	Smithville, Texas
Crawford County, Georgia	Clinton, Missouri	Wausau, Wisconsin
Jefferson, Georgia	Greenville, Mississippi	
Montezuma, Georgia	Hernando, Mississippi	

November 15, 2009: Dr. Steven Murawski, Director for Scientific Programs and Chief Science Advisor, National Marine Fisheries Services, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, presents a Preserve America Community designation certificate to Mary Pat Flynn, Chairperson of the Falmouth Board of Selectmen, at historic Highfield Hall in Falmouth, Massachusetts. Falmouth's designation ceremony is followed by an informal tour of 18 historic sites in many of Falmouth's eight villages. Falmouth is the first community on Cape Cod to be designated.