



Tuskegee Airmen to Receive National Historic Site

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The National Park Service plans to honor the revered Tuskegee Airmen with a new national historic site - but before the ribbon cutting can happen in ten months, it needs money. Friday's ceremonies are the kick-off to the grand opening of the Tuskegee Airmen National Historic Site, which is scheduled for October.

Even though the ribbon cutting is months away, many of those involved in the planning celebrated the creation of a new organization which will have a major impact in the upcoming festivities. The Friends of Tuskegee Airmen National Historic Site was formed to help aid in the funding for the site. Board members met for the first time on Friday. The board is looking forward to the coming months as they're starting to plan out future endeavors and the growth of the group.

The grand opening of the national historic site is scheduled for October 10-12. Supporters of the new historic site say it will bring new people into the state - the Alabama Bureau of Tourism and travel lists October's ribbon cutting as one of the top ten events of 2008.