



Historical & Archaeological Society of Fort Riley

OCTOBER 2017



Happy Fall HASFR Members!

I hope everyone is enjoying the crisp cool mornings and evenings. As always, the fall season is a busy and wonderful time for HASFR. We had a very successful Ice Cream Social in August that welcomed many new members and gave attendees a taste of Libby Custer's Apple Pie. We

wrapped up the month with the dedication of the 100 year 1st Infantry Division monument dedication in Victory Park. It was a beautiful day to officially unveil the commemorative monument that was donated to the Big Red One by the Historical and Archaeological Society of Fort Riley. September was momentous with our Pie Queens, Pam Quichocho and Maggy Gray, orchestrating the making and selling of 1,544 apple pies! With the help of 195 volunteers, the pies were made in record time in only 3 days (9 total shifts)! Big shout out to the coffee groups, KSU ROTC, the JC JROTC, post organizations, and community members that came out to the culinary lab to ensure the success of the apple pie making and volunteered in the sales tent on Apple Day. We have now seamlessly moved on to the annual Ghost Tours that will take place on Sunday, October 29th from 4-7:30pm. A new route is planned for this year that will feature some of the old favorites and share some new tales from buildings that have seen recent renovations, which seem to have disturbed their longest residents. On November 8th, HASFR will hold a historical chat at the Main Post Chapel about the Pandemic of 1917-1918 that spread through Fort Riley, guest speaker is Dr. Bob Smith. Last, but certainly not least, mark your calendars for Saturday, December 2nd as we hold the 34th annual Historic Tour of Homes. This year tickets will be available online, as well as at the Ghost Tours, the Museum and other locations. We are thankful for those that have graciously volunteered to decorate their home and open it up to the public. I wish you a wonderful fall and holiday season and hope you can join us for these fabulous annual events!

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Warmest Regards,
Shauna



Our Mission: We are privileged to preserve, protect, and maintain Fort Riley's heritage.

You can be a part of increasing the public's awareness of Fort Riley's unique place in history by becoming a member, supporting community events by volunteering, or through donations.

Want to be involved?
Stay connected by visiting us at
www.fortrileyhistoricalsociety.org



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Apple Day





PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE
HASFR 2017 GHOST TOURS

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29TH

4:00-7:30 PM

- First tour starts at 4:00 pm
- Last tour will start at 7:00 or 7:20.
- A tour begins every 20 minutes
- Starting point is the parking lot by SRP (Polk Hall) on Main Post, off of Pleasanton Ave.
- Tours will take 45 minutes to 1 hour and cover about a mile
- Ghost Tours are free, but you can purchase a Fast Pass for \$5 to skip to the front of the line.
- Fast Passes will be available during Ghost Tours or you may purchase your pass online:

<https://squareup.com/store/HASFR>

Historical Chat:
The Fort Riley Influenza
Epidemic of 1918

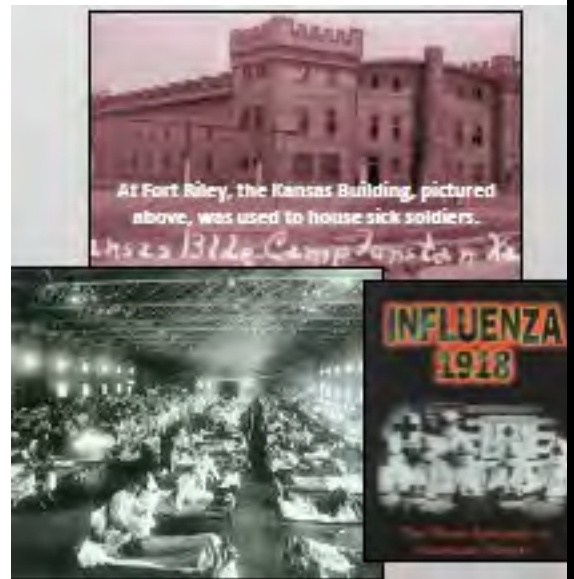
Wed. November 8, 2017

6:30 PM

Main Post Chapel - 6 Barry Ave.

HASFR Members are FREE

General Public: \$5.00/person



Presented by Dr. Robert Smith
Director 11D/Ft. Riley Museums



MG Joseph Martin and CSM Joseph Cornelison unveil the monument during the dedication ceremony.

The unveiling of the 100 Year
Monument in Victory Park
on August 18, 2017.



Members of the 2017-2018 HASFR Board were in attendance for the unveiling of the monument. From L to R: Sarah Curry, Happy Garner, Pam Quichocho, Kari Post, Leann Martin, Maggy Gray, Shauna Laauwe, Darlene Bennett, Stacey McPeake, and Kristen Wellock.





Did you know??

You can rent the CUSTER HOUSE for your next social gathering...

The Historic Custer House is available for rental; make your next event memorable by hosting it in this historic setting.

Rental fees are as follows:

\$25 for HASFR members

\$50 for non-members

**both require a \$50 refundable deposit*

Please contact Kari Post as early as possible. The Custer House is sometimes booked as early as six months out!

Kari can be reached at:

custerhouserental@gmail.com

Become a Member

Does being a part of Fort Riley's history sound fun? Do you like volunteering in your community?

If you answered YES, then HASFR is for you!

A lifetime membership is \$25 and provides you with a quarterly membership newsletter, membership events, and the satisfaction of being an active member of preserving Fort Riley's heritage for future generations.

HASFR also supports footprint projects to contribute to Fort Riley's legacy each year.

To learn more contact HASFRmembership@gmail.com

Save the Date:

December 2, 2017

34th Annual Tour of Homes