# APPLE DAY

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Spots are filling up quickly to volunteer for our Apple Day! We have times available starting Sept. 15, 2019. To sign up, please contact, hasfrvolunteering@gmail.com.

## **Apple Day Activities**

Festivities kick off on Saturday Sept. 21, 2019 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Artillery Parade Field. We will have fun for all ages! There will be vendors, food and our famous Libbie Custer apple pies! For more information contact, hasfrpresident1@gmail.com or hasfrvicepresident@gmail.com



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# Letter from our Pie Queens:

#### Pie Queen, Yvonne Gutierrez:

When I was first asked if I wanted to be a Pie Queen, I thought 'No way!' I didn't really know or understand what they did but I saw them wearing those big dresses and that was a hard pass from me.

When Ghost Tours came around, I was asked to fill in to tell a story about the infamous woman in black. I jumped at the chance until I realized I had to wear a dress with a hoop skirt! However, I had such a great time acting the part of someone else!

The time came for me to become a Pie Queen. It's been an honor for me to find the Pie Queen binders from 10 years ago and witness the traditions still living on.

What started off as Libbie Custer picking apples, making cider and apple pie, turned into Fort Riley's Apple Day Festival as we know it today.

As Pie Queen, we have the pleasure of talking with our community leaders about helping out with apple pie making and seeing all the smiles of kids who want a picture with a queen.



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#### **Ghost Tours**

It's about to get spooky here at Fort Riley!

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We are a military post with a rich culture and amazing history. With that history comes a long line of unexplained events and occurrences.

We invite you and your family to learn more about these unexplained stories that happen right here at our Historic Main Post and throughout our instillation. HASFR offers family friendly tours through the month of October. These tours are available to the Fort Riley public and our surrounding areas.

Please be on the lookout for more information on our Facebook page, our website and our October newsletter.

Need to get your ghostly fix before our tours take off? HASFR offers a series of books with Fort Riley's first hand ghostly encounters. You can purchase these books by contacting Ways and Means at <u>hasfrwaysadmeans@gmail.com</u> or by visiting our website at www.fortrileyhistoricalsociety.org.



### Pie Queen, Theresa:

Hello and greetings from your 2019 Pie Queens. We are very excited to be part of this year's festivities and looking forward to the Fall Apple Day Festival. For those of you who are new, the Fall Apple Day is Fort Riley's annual open house. It's free and open to the public, with a number of family-friendly activities. This year, it will be held on Saturday Sept. 21, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the Artillery Parade Field.

The biggest part leading up to Apple Day is making the famous Libbie Custer apple pies. This year we will be making over 1,700 apple pies and we will need volunteers to help us succeed! If you are interested in helping you can contact our Volunteer Coordinator at <u>hasfrvolunteering@gmail.com</u>. You will also need to obtain a food handlers card. Information for the food handlers card can be found on our Sign Up Genius link located on our Facebook page and our website at

<u>www.fortrileyhistoricalsociety.org</u>. We will be making our pies at the dining facility at the airfield, Building 813 Marshall Drive. With construction around Henry Gate, please plan accordingly and allow extra travel time.

If you are just interested in buying pies, you can go to our website and click on the Events tab and Apple Days. We are selling pre-sale pies right now for \$11 until Sept. 7, 2019 then the price will increase to \$13 per pie. Order now and you can pick up on Friday Sept. 20 before Apple Day.

We look forward to seeing you all on the Artillery Parade Field on Saturday Sept. 21 and enjoying our famous Libbie Custer apple pies!

Sincerely,

Theresa Beir and Yvonne Gutierrez

HASFR Pie Queens