Vance At A Glance

Nov 12, 2025

"The heart that gives thanks is a happy one, for we cannot feel thankful and unhappy at the same time." – Douglas Wood

This week in pilot training – The Ballers' & Dragons' T-6s flew 617 sorties; the Shooters' T-38s flew 265 sorties; and the Peugeots' T-1s flew 60 sorties, for a total of 942 training sorties this past week. Every member of Team Vance contributed to delivering 61 world-class pilots in fiscal year 2026. Vance Proud!

Commander's All-Call, Nov 13 & 14 – Col. Lundeby is hosting a Wing All-Call Thursday & Friday, Nov. 13 & 14, in the Base Auditorium, Building 550.

Thursday – 0800, 1100 & 1400

Friday – 0800 & 1100

The intent is for all military and civilian members to attend. Student pilots are not required to attend.

Fall Fest, Nov 15 – The annual Fall Fest is scheduled from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 15, at the Crosswinds Club. There will be music, bounce houses, a chili cook-off and much more. For more information, contact the Club, 580-213-6306.

Brown Parkway closed for Fall Fest, Nov 15 – Brown Parkway will be closed from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 15, for Fall Fest at the Crosswinds Club.

Dino-Mite party at Library, Nov 15 – The Vance Library is hosting a Dino-Mite party from 10 a.m. to noon, Saturday, Nov 15. There will be crafts, games, stories and dino-eggscavation. For more information, call the Library, 580-213-7368.

Blood Drive, Nov 26 – Vance is hosting a Blood Drive from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Wednesday, Nov. 26, at the Chapel Community Activity Center, Building 528.

Recycling reminder – Make sure to recycle aluminum cans, water bottles, paper and cardboard. Please do not recycle plastic bags/wrap, food or liquids, clothing, linens, wires or chains. If you

do not have reasonable access to recycling bins, contact the recycling center, 580-213-7219 for assistance.

TRICARE Open Season, Nov 10-Dec 9 – TRICARE's annual open season began Nov. 10 and runs through Dec. 9. Now is the time to review your and your family's current health plans, consider your needs for next year, and learn about coverage choices. Get started by visiting https://www.tricare.mil/OpenSeason.

Child car seat check, Nov 15 – The Vance Fire & Emergency Service is hosting a child car seat installation and child restraint check from noon to 5 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 15, in the fire department, Building 140. Technicians can help with buying the right car seat, installing your car seat, getting the right fit and when to change your car seat. For more information, call 580-213-7093.

Clinic Closure – The MDG will be closed for training on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month starting at 11 a.m.

Tax tip – Those claiming exemption from Oklahoma income tax utilizing the Military Spouse Residency Relief Act should be prepared to provide the Oklahoma Tax Commission with a copy of their orders assigning the military member to Oklahoma, all W-2s, and a copy of the military member's December Leave and Earning Statement along with their Oklahoma tax return. Failure to include these documents may delay processing your return. These requirements are included in Oklahoma's instructions for preparing the non-resident return. Oklahoma requires both the federal and any other state return be submitted to them along with the Oklahoma return. Oklahoma has made no provision for submitting electronically either your orders or LES with your return. The RAO office has generated a generic letter useful for submitting this supplemental information that is available upon request. For more information, contact Greg Butterfield, 580-213-7859.

Today's chuckle – Ricardo Montalban had trouble finding work after Star Trek. No one wanted to hire an ex Kahn!