

Vance At A Glance

Aug 5, 2025

“Physical fitness is not only one of the most important keys to a healthy body, but it is also the basis of dynamic and creative intellectual activity.” – John F. Kennedy

This week in pilot training – The Ballers’ & Dragons’ T-6s flew 563 sorties; the Shooters’ T-38s flew 263 sorties; and the Peugeot’s T-1s flew 96 sorties, for a total of 922 training sorties this past week. Every member of Team Vance has contributed to delivering 325 world-class pilots so far, this fiscal year. Vance Proud!

Donations needed for ESPCA -- The Vance Youth & Teen Center Torch Club is collecting donations for the Enid Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. Donation boxes are located at the Child Development Center and the Commissary. Torch Club is a Boys & Girls Clubs of America affiliated program that focuses on character, leadership and service. For more information, contact Tommy Engel, 580-213-7170 or thomas.engel.2@us.af.mil.

OST Walk/Run in August -- Vance's Operational Support Team is hosting a Walk/Ruck on Friday, Aug. 15. The event will follow a planned and identified route, starting at the Base Park. OST will provide water. For more information, contact Lindsey I. Shepherd, lindsey.i.shepherd.civ@health.mil.

Senior NCO induction, Aug 15 -- The 71st Flying Training Wing Senior NCO induction ceremony is scheduled Friday, Aug. 15, at the Crosswinds Club. Free childcare will be offered in the E-Lounge during the ceremony. For more information, contact Master Sgt. Kenzi Newell, 580-213-5006; or Tech. Sgt. Drake Andrews, 580-213-7790.

Squeeze the Day, Aug 15 -- IPPW & Sexual Assault Prevention and Response are hosting a Lemonade Bright Spot, full of zest, smiles, and summer vibes, beginning at 11 a.m., Friday, Aug. 15, in Building 500. Fresh lemonade, friendly faces and a splash of joy can turn sour into sweet. For more information, contact Sonya Matz, 580-213-5597.

Foreign Language Oral Proficiency Interview, Aug 27 -- The Base Education Services Office has scheduled a Foreign Language Oral Proficiency Interview Exam briefing at 2 p.m., Wednesday Aug. 27, in Suite 6, Building 314. This is your opportunity to get familiar with the

Oral Proficiency Interview test's tasks, rubrics and levels before you take it. Pre-registration is required. Call 580-213-7388 to reserve your seat.

Learn how to prevent suicide, Aug 20-21 – The Vance Chapel is hosting ASIST training from 8:15 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Aug. 20 & 21, in the Chapel Community Activity Center, Building 528. ASIST is a 2-day interactive workshop that will provide you with the skills to intervene with someone who has thoughts of suicide. For more information, contact Chaplain (Capt.) Christopher Gilmore, 580-213-7668; or Lorraine Reimer, 580-213-5593.

DDR still has free office stuff available – The Drug Demand Reduction Program office is moving and has excess furniture and other items available for official use. Items include magazine racks, file cabinets, display easel and more. Come by Room 139 in Building 248 and take a look. For more information, contact Jennifer Hughes, 580-213-5056.

Free desk & drafting table – The 71st Force Support Squadron has a free desk, hutch, connect-or and a drafting table available free for official use. For more information and to come see the items, contact Eric Caley, eric.caley.2@us.af.mil or 623-523-1627.

Free desks & couch – The 71st Operations Support Squadron has free desks and a couch for official use. For more information, email 71oss.osos@us.af.mil or jeffery.derrick@us.af.mil.

Commissioning Programs briefing, Aug 26 -- The Base Education Services Office has scheduled a Commissioning Programs Brief and Panel at 2 p.m., Tuesday, Aug. 26, in the Professional Development Center, Building 455. Learn about the different commissioning opportunities. Pre-registration is encouraged. For more information call 580-213-7388.

AFOSI is recruiting, Aug 18 – The Air Force Office of Special Investigations, Detachment 438, has scheduled a recruitment briefing at 10 a.m., Monday, Aug. 18, in Building 455. OSI is seeking highly motivated officers, civilians, and enlisted members from any AFSC with no negative personnel records. For more information contact Special Agent Christopher Rowan, christopher.rowan.2@us.af.mil.

Tax tip – Those who sign up for electronic delivery of their bank statements should expect that their tax Form 1099-INT indicating their interest earned is delivered electronically as well. Don't forget to look for this form when filing taxes. Those who earn over \$10 in interest each year will have one. The IRS expects all annual interest amounts over 50 cents to be reported, and this is generally annotated as a year-to-date interest paid on your December statement. For more information, contact Greg Butterfield, 580-213-7859.

Today's chuckle – Dermatologists seem so helpful. They always know what they can do to a cyst!