

Vance At A Glance

June 7, 2024

“You can’t stop the waves but you can learn to surf.” – Jon Kabat-Zinn

America’s Kids Run, June 8 – The 2024 Armed Forces America’s Kids Run is scheduled Saturday, June 8, at the Base Running Track. Registration starts at 8:30 a.m. The first group runs/walks at 9 a.m. Groups run based on age. Parents are welcome. A cheering crowd is always a benefit. For more information, contact the Teen Center, 580-213-7166.

33rd FTS change of command -- The 33rd Flying Training Squadron has scheduled a change-of-command ceremony at 3:33 p.m., Friday, June 7, in Hangar 199. Lt. Col. Michael Kissinger will relinquish command to Lt. Col. Scott Meskimen. For more information, contact Capt. Brady Clinton, 33fts.cce@us.af.mil or 580-213-6504.

Clinic partners with local medical providers – From July 8 through Aug. 31, the 71st Medical Group is scheduled to partner with Integris & St. Mary’s health care providers to service non-active adult primary care patients. There will be no change to booking appointments. For more information, contact the Med Group at 580-213-7416.

Exchange barber shop opening, June 10 – The Vance Exchange barber shop has scheduled a grand opening at 10:30 a.m., Monday, June 10. For more information, contact the Exchange at 580-213-7366.

MPF closed June 18 & 19 – The Military Personnel Flight will be closed June 18 & 19 for a resiliency day and to observe Juneteenth. For more information, contact 2nd Lt. Katherine Goss, 580-213-7479.

American Legion services rep on base, June 13 – The American Legion Veterans Affairs Services representative, David Turner, is available from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Thursday, June 13, by appointment in the Retiree Activity Office, Room 102, Building 200. For an appointment, call 580-213-7859.

DAV rep on base, June 26 – The Disabled American Veterans representative will be available for appointments at 8 or 11 a.m., Wednesday, June 26, in the Retiree Activity Office, Room 102, Building 200. Call 580-213-7859 to set up an appointment.

CGOC Senior Leader panel, June 12 – The Vance Company Grade Officers’ Council has scheduled a Senior Leader panel at 2 p.m., Wednesday, June 12, at the Crosswinds Club. Senior Leaders across Vance will be available to answer questions. The event is open to all officers and enlisted. For more information, contact 2nd Lt. Michael Echeverria, 580-213-7241.

Movie schedule – The following movies are scheduled for showing in Building 455 with free admission for all with base access:

Friday – June 7

5:30 p.m. -- ***Kung Fu Panda 4***

8 p.m. -- ***Ghostbusters: Frozen Empire***

Saturday – June 8

5:30 p.m. -- ***Arthur the King***

8 p.m. -- ***Godzilla x Kong: The New Empire***

For more information, contact Staff Sgt. Joseph Reddin, joseph.reddin@us.af.mil.

Tax tip for gamblers -- If you had fun gambling and finally hit it big, the IRS requires a percentage of the take. To reduce the tax bite, you must have written records of your losses. The IRS accepts ATM withdrawals from gambling establishments as written records of such losses. However, these losses are documented on Schedule A and will only reduce the tax if your itemized deductions on the schedule exceeds your standard deduction. The IRS rules state that you are only allowed to deduct losses up to the amount of your earnings. The state in which you won may also require you pay a tax. A log of winnings may prove helpful if the W-2G is lost in the mail. Most gambling establishments will also reprint a winning receipt if requested. For more information, contact Greg Butterfield, 580-213-7859.

Today’s chuckle – I need to stay in shape so I started doing lunges. I consider that a big step forward!