ROTC Trip to Washington
By: Dallas Parks

On April 13th at 4 p.m. the Dupo High School ROTC program took off for their yearly trip. This year their destination was Washington D.C. The cadets participated in many fun things while they were there. They visited several memorials and monuments, including the Vietnam Memorial, Lincoln Memorial, Korean Memorial and Washington Monument. They also visited buildings such as the White House, the Capitol Building, and the Supreme Court Justice Building. The ROTC program went on a dinner cruise as well. Senior Major Hannah Vaughan said, “The dinner cruise was one of my favorite parts of the trip because we all acted like one family, but the Holocaust Museum was also another favorite because it was such an eye opener.” The ROTC program returned on Thursday April 18th from their amazing trip! Next year the cadets will travel to Colorado.
Well, How'd You Do?
By: Andrew McAllister

On April 12th, both junior high and high school Science Olympiad teams advanced to state. Each person who went to state, had their own event they participated in. A few of the events included: water quality, write it do it, battery buggy, and mousetrap vehicle, just to name a few. “Science Olympiad is a very fun and extravagant extra curricular activity. During the course of Science Olympiad I learn a lot of new information I never knew before. At first, I thought it was too smart for me, but then I tried it out and I’ve been doing it for the past two years. The state finals was a very fun and well worth experience for my team and I,” said freshman Keevion Swims.

New Faces of National Honor Society
By: Sarah Ostertag

The induction ceremony for Dupo High School’s National Honor Society occurred Wednesday, April 10th. During the ceremony new members, Zach Beatte, David Bivins, Kaleb Coleman, Caylie Comte, Jacob Holland, Alexis Stevens, and Nathan Taylor, were handed the responsibility of Society members. Previous members, Mercedes Ramires, Hannah Dycus, MyKenzie Kloess, Waylen Keys, Hannah Vaughan, Sarah Ostertag, and Mason Reynolds, read the different pillars and sayings of the Society. Being apart of the Society, the new members are expected to uphold a 3.75 unweighted GPA, character, leadership, and service- qualities the members had to show in order to be inducted. Senor McKinney, the sponsor of NHS said,”’The ones who are crazy enough to think that they can change the world are the ones who do’- Steve Jobs. This applies to every student. Walt Disney said: ‘If you can dream it, you can do it.”’ Congratulations to the newest members of the National Honor Society!
“Wizard Of Oz”
By: Kyleigh Williams

The Drama Club’s most recent production was "The Wizard of Oz". On Sunday, they dedicated a sensory performance for people with special needs. Although the play had a few small mess ups, each night went smoothly. Vice President Waylen Keys noted, “I’m not LION when I say I had a great time making this play a hit. It made all the hard work and long nights worth it when little kids came up to hug me after the play was over because I was their favorite character.” Another favorite was the Wicked Witch of the West portrayed by Tabitha Rendleman. Covered from head to fingertips in green makeup, she completed the look with a glittery, black handmade tutu made out of recycled materials. Not only were the costumes made out of recyclables, most of the set was made from old boxes and containers no longer in use. With the combination of new ideas and great acting plays like this, it reminds the citizens of Dupo that there’s no place like home.

Hook, Line and Sinker
By: Kaleb Chism

Bass fishing tryouts are over and the team has been made. Members of the team include Chase Holland, Mark Rambo, Dalton Barker, and Caleb Ham. They have been practicing on learning different knots and how to put the lures on correctly. Their first tournament is Thursday, May 2nd, at Coffeen Lake. Mark Rambo says, “I am excited to be a part of the new team and I can't wait to see how we do in our first tournament.”
My Running Shoes
By: Waylen Keys

With high hopes and a will to break every personal record coming their way, our track team is well into the season and is still stronger than ever. A word that can often be heard tossed around the track is “perseverance,” and this year you can find that in plenty. To persevere means to firmly continue on a course of action in spite of difficulty or opposition. One example for the team’s perseverance can be found in the medals won at the Granite City Invitational. One of our excellent throwers, Bryce Chadduck, got 2nd in Discus and another, Cody Heusohn, got 7th in Discus and 8th in shot put. Although this season is beginning to come to an end, there’s no doubt that everyone is trying their hardest to go the extra mile.
Softball Continues to Shine
By: Bryce Lancaster

The Lady Tigers softball team won their last two games with a combined score of 32-7. They defeated Wesclin 18-3 and Lebanon 14-4. Seniors Reagan Carner and Cameron Foster lead the way, combining to go 6-7 at the plate. Carner also only allowed 3 runs on 5 innings of work against Wesclin. The Lady Tigers are now 12-7 overall and 7-2 in conference. “The confidence we have right now is at an all time high, we believe we can beat anyone who gets in our way,” Senior MyKenzie Kloess said. Regionals start Monday, May 13. Good luck ladies!

Senior’s Say Goodbye
By: Trenton Duke

The Dupo Tigers baseball team recently lost against New Athens. The score was 11-2 but the team bounced back with a win at Chester, 6-2. Senior Nik Houston said, “The team needs to play together more as a unit. We need to get aggressive at the plate and get good hitters counts to start our offense and stay fundamental on defense.” The baseball team then went on to win against Lebanon 9-6. The Tigers are now 4-11 overall and 3-5 in conference. Senior Night for the baseball team was on May 1st at GCS Stadium. The team will graduate seven seniors: Kaleb Chism, Nik Houston, Devin Similey, Tyler Kyle, Bryce Lancaster, Beau Vanover, and Xavier Griffin. Regionals start Monday, May 13. Good luck Tigers!
Senior Spotlight

Cody Putnam

Nicknames: Cody Put Put
Best Friend(s): Sarah Ostertag, MyKenzie Kloess, McKenzie Andrews
Activities: Bowling
Plans After High School: Attend McKendree University on a bowling scholarship

Favorites:
Movie: Run The Race
Song: "7 Rings" by Ariana Grande
Animal: Tiger
Color: Purple
Food: Mac n' Cheese
Teacher: Mr. Heather
Sport: Bowling

Matthew Khoury

Nicknames: Matt
Plans After High School: Work during the summer and attend college in the fall
Activities: Basketball
Career: Culinary Chef or Computer Science

Favorites:
Movie: Dare Devil
Color: Blue
Food: Steak
Animal: Snake
Subject: Science
Teacher: Mr. Leavitt
Senior Spotlight

Bailey Thompson

Plans After High School: Attend college
Activities: Drawing
Career Choice: Teacher
Best Friends: Tyler Story, Brianna Reddick, Shay Ashcraft

Favorites:
Animal: Cat
Color: Green
Teacher: Ms. Scara
Food: Chinese
Subject: Art
Movie: Harry Potter

Becky Coonce

Activities: Running, Drawing
Plans after high school: Attend SWIC in the fall
Favorite Part of High School: Leaving
Career Choice: Dentist

Favorites:
Movie: The Cat in the Hat
Color: Green
Food: Chicken
Animal: Penguin
Teacher: Mr. Levin
Subject: Math
Senior Spotlight

Ryan Settles

Dream Car: The Invisible Boat-Mobile
Plans after high school: Watch Anime
Favorite Part of High School: Lunch time
Advise to Freshman: Wear deodorant

Favorites:
Color: Purple
Animal: Cat
Subject: English
Athlete of the Month

Baseball Player
Noah Chism

"Noah leads the team in doubles. He also has a .325 batting average, .450 on-base percentage, and is 2nd on the team in hits." -Coach Kessler and Coach Newby