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In closing, Mr. Speaker, I ask all my colleagues to join me in congratulating Elmer Ellis Library and its current coordinator, Marie Concannon, on reaching this significant milestone. Here's to another 150 years of Elmer Ellis Library's chronicling this body's steps and missteps!

IN HONOR OF THE 68TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE USS YF-415 TRAGEDY

### HON. STEPHEN F. LYNCH

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, May 7, 2012*

Mr. LYNCH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to remember and to honor the sacrifice of the men who lost their lives in a tragic accident on May 11, 1944, sixty-eight years ago. This tragedy occurred just fourteen miles off the coast of Massachusetts.

On that fateful day, the nine member crew of the USS YF-415 and twenty-one men from the Hingham, MA, Ammunition Depot were disposing of obsolete ammunition. The ship was loaded with one hundred fifty tons of ammunition and explosives. While they were performing their duties, the ammunition caught fire. The resulting fire and subsequent explosions lasted for nearly forty minutes. The ship went down and seventeen lives were lost. The USS *Zircon*, a weather observing ship, was fortunately nearby, and rescued fourteen men from the ocean.

From that day until July 20, 2003, the ship lay, undiscovered, at the bottom of the Atlantic Ocean. Amateur divers located the ship and reported it to the United States Navy. Once the United States Navy properly identified the ship, Navy divers were dispatched to investigate its remnants. Unfortunately, they were unable to find any trace of the missing men.

Mr. Speaker, it is fitting that today, we remember those men who lost their lives in the service of the United States of America sixty-eight years ago. Their courage and their devotion to their duty continue to inspire us today. It is appropriate that we as a nation express our condolences to their families who have suffered and endured their loss all these many years.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to add the names of these brave men into the RECORD so that all Americans may recognize their service and their sacrifice: William J. Bradley, Adell Braxton, Joseph F. Burke, Raymond N. Carr, Truman S. Chittick, George M. Cook, James Cox, Jr., Freddie Edwards, Jr., F.E. Federle, James S. Griffin, Charles R. Harris, Raymond L. Henry, Julian Jackson, Yee M. Jin, Mike Peschunka, Vernon Smith, James B. Turner.

### CONGRESSIONAL ARTS COMPETITION

### HON. RODNEY P. FRELINGHUYSEN

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, May 7, 2012*

Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN. Mr. Speaker, once again, I come to the floor to recognize the great success of strong local schools working with dedicated parents and teachers. I rise today to congratulate and honor a number of outstanding high school artists from the 11th Congressional District of New Jersey. Each of these talented students participated in the 2012 Congressional Arts Competition, "An Artistic Discovery." Their works of art are exceptional!

Sixty young men and women participated. That is a wonderful response, and I would very much like to build on that participation for future competitions.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to congratulate the three winners of our art competition. First place was awarded to Jessica Menchon from Mt. Olive High School for her oil on canvas entitled, "History of Waterloo Village." Second place was awarded to Vicki Liu from Ridge High School for her acrylic entitled, "Shameless." Third place was awarded to Rachel Elias from Montville High School for her charcoal and chalk pastel entitled, "Looking Up."

Honorable Mentions were awarded to: Marlaina Lutz from Roxbury High School for her photograph entitled, "Swallow and Hummingbird" and Nicolas McMillen from Parsippany Christian School for his photograph entitled, "Brotherly Tree."

Mr. Speaker, I would like to recognize each artist for their participation by indicating their high school, their name and the title of their contest entries for the official RECORD.

Boonton High School; Emily DiLaura "Spring Labor."

Franchesca LeBrun "Portrait (Self);" Sara Leslie "When I Was a Little Girl;" Sabrina Noel "My Dog Trixie."

Chatham High School; Zachary Blake "Job Interview;" Laura Cheong "Boxful;" Megan Gesell "Autumn Change;" Natalie Smith "Untitled."

Hopatcong High School; Katelyn Downey "Capitol Building;" Katlyn Garcia "The North Tower;" Gregory P. Smyth III "Sussex Swans."

Livingston High School; Sharon Aliev "Gossip Girls;" Andrea Cao "Another Plague;" Laura Lin "Breath;" Christina Torrens "Fracture."

Madison High School; Teri Minogue "Reflection;" Kyle T. Smith "Falling Snow."

Millburn High School; Alexandra Bass "Section of a Collection;" Zoe Denenberg "Liberty." Millburn High School; Emily Draper "Roses."

Montville High School; Alexa D'Arienza "Goddess in Despair;" Nicolette Russo "Dripping;" Jesse Stathis "Apart of Me."

Morris Catholic High School; Austin Dimore "Behind the Mask;" Lucas Milone "Swamp Tree;" Darius Osario "Koi Pond;" Diamante Soto "The Dancer."

Morris Knolls High School; Stefanie Fischer "Watchtower;" Emily Kovach "Venice;" Kathleen McGlynn "America." Abigail Schaefer "King of Spades."

Mt. Olive High School; Emily Coughlah "Stasis;" Michael DiCola "Hidden Beneath;" Lori Tatum "Autumn Glow."

Parsippany Christian School; Troy Costa "Reunion;" Elisee Jean-Pierre "The Lonely Bench;" Daniel McMillen "Root Life."

Parsippany High School; Ashley Del Rio "Untitled."

Pequannock High School; Emily Grimaldi "Great Apple Massacre;" Thomas Kozell "Lovely Agony;" James Quinn "Cosmos Hair;" Joaquin Roca "Bloody Mary."

Pope John XXIII High School; Kelly King "Government."

Ridge High School; Clair Chin "In This Day and Age;" Laura Cursi "Freedom's Reflection;" Sophie Harris "Modern World."

Roxbury High School; Brianna Krop "My 3rd Period Daydream;" Cara Resiak "One Fish, Two Fish, Me Fish, You Fish;" Elizabeth Synalovski "Madison."

Sparta High School; Melissa Hespelt "Four Eyed."

Watchung Hills Regional High School; Steve Dodge "Windows;" Jesse Kukucka "Creep;" Carly Vautin "Plant;" Briarma Wallisch "Unforgotten."

Each year the winner of the competition has their art work displayed with other winners from across the country in a special corridor here at the U.S. Capitol. Thousands of our fellow Americans walk through the exhibition and are reminded of the vast talents of our young men and women. Indeed, all of these young artists are winners, and we should be proud of their achievements so early in life.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to join me in congratulating these talented young people from New Jersey's 11th Congressional District.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE SERVICE OF OSCAR T. KADLE

### HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, May 7, 2012*

Mr. ROGERS of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, I respectfully ask for the House's attention today to honor Mr. Oscar T. Kadle.

Oscar T. Kadle was born April 2, 1921 in Four Mile, Alabama. He married Martha Brooks on February 22, 1958 and they have always lived in the Saks community. He was drafted into the Army in 1941 first stationed at Fort McPherson, Georgia and then Fort Bliss in El Paso, Texas, for boot camp. He left Fort Bliss and went to Hawaii on his way to the South Pacific where he served his country during World War II.

Oscar took part in the invasion of Saipan in 1944. After Saipan he was sent to Iwo Jima. In 1945, he was on a ship headed for mainland Japan for an invasion there. The ship was stopped before arriving in Japan, and the soldiers were left sitting in the ocean for two days waiting for orders. The first Atomic Bomb was dropped on Hiroshima at this time. Oscar's ship was ordered back to Iwo Jima. The war ended not long after this and Oscar was headed home to be discharged from the Army at Fort Shelby, Mississippi.

After returning home Oscar went to work for Seven Up Bottling Company for 25 years. He left Seven Up to go into the plumbing business and later went to work for Davis & Daniels Construction where he worked for 15 years until his retirement.