



# TIN CAN SAILORS, INC.

## The National Association of Destroyer Veterans

January 17, 2025

USS *William M. Wood* (DD-715/DDR-715) Association  
Attn: Mr. Tom Streza  
6661 Leon Rd.  
Andover, OH 44003

Dear Mr. Streza:

On behalf of Tin Can Sailors let me thank the USS *William M. Wood* (DD-715/DDR-715) Association for your generous contribution of \$2,500.00. Five Hundred (\$500.00) dollars has been earmarked for our general fund which will go towards our operating costs and the cost of sending our magazine to active duty destroyers, and any destroyer veterans down on their luck who can't afford a subscription.

The remaining Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) will be earmarked for the Thomas J. Peltin Destroyer Museum Grant Program [\$1,000.00 to the USS *Laffey* (DD-724) and \$1,000.00 to the USS *Joseph P. Kennedy, Jr.* (DD 850)]. The cost of operating and maintaining a destroyer as a museum/memorial ship is far greater than most people realize. Paint, metal, insurance, utilities, etc.; they all add up to far more than ticket sales can ever be expected to cover. The support of ship associations is vital to the survival of these ships that serve as memorials to all destroyers and those who served aboard them.

Tin Can Sailors is a strong organization because of the support of groups such as yours. We hope that we continue to warrant your confidence and support.

Sincerely,

Rosehn Gipe  
President

THANKS SO MUCH!

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