

DLG-28

# USS WAINWRIGHT VETERANS ASSOCIATION

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USS Wainwright DLG 28

To all Shipmates:

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The Wainwright gave her ALL. A competent ship that was ever battle-ready. She never minded the mission and faithfully carried out every assignment. Even in her last days, she served her country proudly providing valuable information for the Navy. The Wainwright was one of a kind. My life was forever changed the moment I went aboard. I am sure she affected many of you the same way. Those memories are in our hearts and souls forever.

Several shipmates went aboard after she was decommissioned and removed over 8000 pounds of artifacts. These items have been stored in a warehouse in Rock Hill, South Carolina. Whenever they are taken to reunions or other events, they must be loaded onto a borrowed trailer, unloaded at the event, reloaded for transport back to Rock Hill, and then unloaded once again. I think you get the picture. Aside from all the labor it takes to do this, there is always the possibility that damage could occur to any of these pieces. Our memories and the artifacts deserve a permanent home.

## WE NEED A WAINWRIGHT TRAILER!!!!

A trailer that is large enough to house all the artifacts. One that is always ready to be displayed at our reunions and other veteran events around the country. Americans need to see the history, the pride and the service of this great ship. We thank those that gathered all this for us and special thanks to Rich Molck for his dedication to store, load and transport everything.

The Wainwright gave her ALL! Now it is time for us to take our resources and preserve the tangible things that remain from her. With a donation from each of you, we can make that possible.

## “28 for the 28”

We need \$28,000 to outfit the trailer with decals of the ship and display cases to hold the artifacts. We should do a first class package for a first class ship. Be assured that the entire amount raised will go toward the trailer and outfitting it.

With your donation we can begin the journey to that permanent home for all those memories. **“\$28.00 for the 28!”** That’s right \$28.00 or more if you will. You can do this by writing a personal check to the Wainwright Veterans Association or by filling out the enclosed form with your credit card information. Now we know that \$28.00 is not going to do the job as quickly as we would like. You can make a one time donation or instruct us to deduct from your credit card \$28.00 a month for a period of time...3 months, 6 months or even 1 year. You determine the length of time you want to give your \$28.00.

A year of \$28.00 is only \$336.00! Of course, a one time donation will get us to our goal much faster. It would be ideal to have the trailer for the upcoming reunion next year.

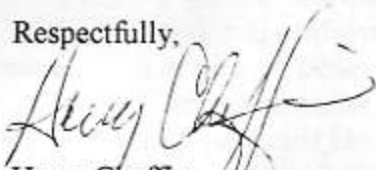
Dig deep and be generous. We ask that you respond promptly so we can get this project underway. Contributing is easy. Just write a check to the address below or fill out the credit card authorization and mail it in!

## EASY? YES! IMPORTANT? HELL YES !!!

We need that trailer! We must preserve our great ship's memories. We need to show our fellow Americans that freedom is precious and is only paid for with dedication and commitment like that of the fine men and women of the Navy. Don't let the spirit of the Wainwright die! Please contribute and make this trailer possible.

In advance thank you for your contribution. Remember "28 for the 28"! Our goal is \$28,000. Each shipmate joining together can make that happen. For all your Wainwright information be sure to check out the web site... [www.usswainwright.org](http://www.usswainwright.org).

Respectfully,



Harry Chaffin  
Chairman "28 for the 28"

**2008 Reunion July 15 - 20, 2008 Jacksonville, Florida**

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### Payment Enclosed

I've Enclosed a check # \_\_\_\_\_ or money order in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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\* A \$ 2.25 CREDIT CARD PROCESSING FEE will be added so that the TRAILER FUND will have the benefit of your ENTIRE generous contribution.  
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