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This year is moving along at a surprisingly good pace- pandemic or no pandemic. I pray that everyone is still safe and doing OK. Now if one listens to the news each evening that would be enough to depress almost anyone. It would be nice if they would use different pictures each evening rather than recycling the one from the day before. OK off that soap box and on to more important things.

The Board of Directors met in May via Zoom. There was considerable discussion from the groundwork that was laid out in the April meeting. There will be a new design for the web site soon. A major issue that is working against almost everyone is the majority if not all the airshows are cancelled for the summer. There may be some that will happen in the fall. However, that is an unknown entity currently. There are a couple different things currently being worked on

and only time will tell what happens. There is another meeting scheduled for June.

I believe that most of you realize that we have a talented group of people that make up the AMHF. Now we still have the same problems of all other groups which is we all have opinions and we want ours to be heard. Now that does not make you a bad person, it just makes you a normal person. I came across a quote a while back that might give each of us some help on that problem. There was a writer by the name of James the Just that lived around AD 50 and he said, "Be quick to listen, slow to talk, and slow to anger." Now I would venture a guess that most of us turn that quote about 180 degrees and we would like it a lot better. Have you ever thought about speech as a construction project and words are your building materials? I can attest to that fact as I struggle to put together a coherent newsletter each month that has content of interest to many of the members and does not create a huge rift someplace else. Would you believe that is not always easy? Therefore, when I read the quote from James the Just, I felt like I had been hit right between the eyes with a fast ball.

As they open the State, we will try to have some hangar workdays for organization, inventory, clean up, and practice our social separation skills.

I do not know how many of you are familiar with Bill Mauldin and his two characters Willie and Joe. You should at least know that Snoopy always went over to quaff a few root beers with Bill Mauldin on Veteran's Day. However, one of my favorite cartoons showed Willie and Joe as forward observers, in their fox hole, field phone in hand, and a German tank parked right over them. The caption reads, "*Able Fox Five to Able Fox. I got a target but ya gotta be patient.*" That is like our current situation only it is not a tank it is a pandemic. So, we will need to be patient until it passes, and we can then proceed.

Stay safe and have a great month,

Gaylon