



## American Military Heritage Foundation

**Dedicated to preserving, in flying condition, a Vintage PV-2 Harpoon  
in memory of all who fought on behalf of the United States of America**

***“The pessimist sees difficulty in every opportunity. The optimist sees  
opportunity in every difficulty.” Sir Winston Churchill***

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It appears that summer has finally arrived, now we can switch our complaining line from its too cold to its too hot. So there again it just shows that we just cannot be pleased. I am sure that is not new news to anyone working on the Harpoon with us and in general it probably just about covers everyone.

We are deep into the D-check and continue to work towards a completion so we can fly again. For some strange reason, the D-check never seems to go as fast as we believe it should. I am not sure if that is a law of Murphy or some other strange order of the universe. I suppose it could be a figment of my imagination. You can decide this one for yourself and if it doesn't work right then you know who to blame. However, the maintenance group will continue to work diligently on the task of the inspection and putting the plane back in the air where she looks her best. The BOD is also working on some other items that we believe will help the organization and make things better in the long run. I am hoping that I will be able to report on some of these items in our next newsletter. Just remember, **"If you are too busy to laugh you are too busy."** *Proverb*

This weekend is Memorial Day weekend and normally is the official start of summer vacations and all sorts of events. I am not going to make any long statement about it other than it became a Federal Holiday in 1971. However, I would ask that you read our mission statement and give some thought to how many individuals have given their lives for the freedoms that we enjoy today. You might also consider attending a Memorial Day service this year. Most if not, all were canceled last year due to covid and the pandemic.



**“Freedom has its life in the hearts, the actions, the spirit of men and so it must be daily earned and refreshed - else like a flower cut from its life-giving roots, it will wither and die.”** *Dwight D. Eisenhower*

Have a great Memorial Day,

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