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Father A. J. Ryan San Diego Camp 302  
Sons of Confederate Veterans*



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## ***2020 Re-Confederation***

The 13<sup>th</sup> thru the 15<sup>th</sup> of March this year saw the 26<sup>th</sup> Annual California Division of the Sons of Confederate Veterans conducting their Re-Confederation/Reunion in the Central California city of Bakersfield. For the past several years, the Four Points Sheraton Hotel in the city has been the site of this event. Compatriots from eight of the division's twelve camps met here in this convenient location, allowing camps stretching from Sacramento in the north to over 500 miles south in San Diego creating ease of travel for all concerned. Father A.J. Ryan Camp 302, San Diego, General George Blake Cosby, Camp 1627, Sacramento, The Stainless Banner, Camp 1440, San Jose, General Tyree Harris Bell, Camp 1804, Fresno, General Albert Sidney Johnston, Camp 2048, Bakersfield/Tehachapi, General John Bell Hood, Camp 1208, Los Angeles, Inland Empire, Camp 1742, Inland Empire, and Captain James Iredell Waddell, Camp 1770, Orange County were present for the event.



As division members arrive at the hotel from different points around the state on Friday the 13<sup>th</sup>, they gather in the hospitality suite of the hotel for fried chicken, pizza and assorted refreshments and drinks, and to socialize as everyone starts out the weekend getting reacquainted with their division compatriots, family members and other guests.

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**Salute to the Confederate Flag**

I salute the Confederate flag with affection, reverence and undying devotion to the cause for which it stands.

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**Charge to the Sons of Confederate Veterans**

*"To you, Sons of Confederate Veterans, we will commit the vindication of the cause for which we fought. To your strength will be given the defense of the Confederate soldier's good name, the guardianship of his history, the emulation of his virtues, the perpetuation of those principles which he loved and which you love also, and the ideals which made him glorious and which you also cherish."*

Lt. General Stephen D. Lee

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**Newsletter**

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**Meetings**

The camp meets the 2nd Saturday of each odd-numbered month at various locations which are announced in the newsletter.

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**Correspondence**

Membership applications, dues renewals, changes of address and other business should be directed to the adjutant.

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**Dues**

Annual dues are billed each August and are \$50.00 for members. Dues include the *Confederate Veteran* magazine and a newsletter.

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**Camp officers**

<u>Commander</u>	<u>Jim Millsap</u>
<u>Lieutenant Commander</u>	<u>George Faircloth</u>
<u>2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant Commander</u>	<u>Jim Coulsby</u>
<u>Adjutant</u>	<u>Jim Stephens</u>
<u>Treasurer</u>	<u>Roy Adair</u>
<u>Webmaster</u>	<u>Roy Adair</u>
<u>Chaplain</u>	<u>Jim Coulsby</u>
<u>Sergeant-at-Arms</u>	<u>Steve Smith</u>
<u>Historian</u>	<u>Vacant</u>
<u>Newsletter Editor/Publisher</u>	<u>Jim Stephens</u>



### ***Camp 302 Meeting Minutes***

The camp's pre-Re-Confederation brunch/business meeting got underway Saturday morning, March 7<sup>th</sup> at the Coyote Café in Vista to prepare for the upcoming Re-Confederation. Eleven members were in attendance: **Commander Jim Millsap, Adjutant Jim Stephens, new member Charles Hill, LCDR George Faircloth, Treasurer Roy Adair, Mike Climo, Ben Holmes, Chaplain Jim Coulsby, Sgt-At-Arms Steve Smith, Will Tisch and Ira Lack. Deanne Smith and associate Gus Goetsch.** Cdr. Millsap called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM, after which Chaplain Coulsby gave the Invocation. All present recited the Pledge-of-Allegiance and Salute to the Confederate Flag. The camp was pleased to swear in its newest member, Charles Hill. He was welcomed aboard by his fellow members. Adjutant Stephens then announced the **Rebel-of-the-Year Award for 2019 being presented to Compatriot John Kliendinst** for his dedication & generosity to his camp and the SCV. John was not present, but he will be duly notified. Treasurer Adair presented his Treasurer's Report indicating that \$39,744.63 was in the camp treasury and there were \$350.71 of expenditures that included \$16.16 for a nameplate, \$100.00 donation to the Friends of the Hunley, \$18.55 for website renewal and \$240.00 for eight H.L. Hunley award packages. Roy advised the attendees that the \$25,000.00 deposited in a CD has earned \$1000.00 to date. Cdr. Millsap announced that 100 new camp challenge coins had arrived and will be available to members for \$5.00 ea. and that also some would be made available for sale at the silent auction at the Re-Confederation. He also stated that the new division challenge coins ordered had not arrived, but when they do, they will sell for \$10.00 ea. An ample supply of camp ink pens are available for \$1.00 ea. Adjutant Stephens, as camp and division Hunley Liaison/coordinator, gave his Hunley Report. He stated that Camp 302 started out the year with eight JROTC schools but that three had since dropped out: one Navy and two Air Force. Stephens cited the HQ AFJROTC Directive eliminating the SCV and SUVCW awards for the year with more probably to follow. There have been other AFJROTC schools dropping out up and down California. He mentioned that "Trip" Wilson, the SCV HQ Hunley Coordinator, is actively pursuing this issue. The attendees then discussed the status of the new SCV Confederate Museum in Columbia, Tennessee. A motion was made to donate \$1000.00 to the museum and a vote to do so was held, which passed unanimously. As suggested in a letter from Commander-in-Chief Gramling, Jr., members were advised that the recommended \$166.67 donation from individual members can still be made if so desired. Cdr. Millsap reemphasized to those present that Camp 302 will coordinate the silent auction in Bakersfield and that anyone who wishes can donate items for that purpose. Adjutant Stephens will obtain \$200.00 in cash to serve as change during the auction. Steve and Deanne volunteered to purchase a cashbox to serve the occasion. Presently, camp members attending the Re-Confederation/Convention will be the following: Commander Millsap, Jim Stephens, Roy Adair, Steve Smith, Ira Lack, Mike Climo and possibly Ben Holmes. The final tasks to complete during the meeting were to (1) tabulate the points earned by the camp for its activities since last year's convention and the beginning of this year's, and (2) finalize the camp worksheet so that it can be handed in to Division Worksheet Coordinator, Mike Climo, who will forward it to the division commander prior to the gathering in Bakersfield.

With no further business to conduct, Chaplain Coulsby delivered the Benediction to close out the meeting.



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Here we see (from left to right) Camp 302 Treasurer Roy Adair, Inland Empire's Steve Madden, Robyn Adair of the Stonewall Jackson Chapter of the UDC and son Bryan Adair enjoying a moment of levity at the Friday evening hospitality gathering. As folks circulated in and out of the hospitality room throughout the evening, we were able to gather enough of those on hand to get a quick group shot as seen below. Many would retire early to be ready for business on Saturday.



The business meeting began shortly after 8:30 on Saturday morning with Division Commander Robert Williams calling the Re-Confederation to order. Division Chaplain David Pyle presented the Invocation, after which Sergeant-at-Arms & Color Sergeant Greg Frazier posted the colors. Everyone then recited the Pledge-of-Allegiance to the United States Flag and then the Salute to the Confederate Flag. Division Quartermaster Ryan Williams then read the Charge.

In the photo at left, standing *second from right*, Division Adjutant Vern Padgett called for a roll call of attending camps. With 8 of 12 camps answering up, with 64 members present, a quorum was established for business to begin. At this time, the Re-Confederation guests were introduced starting with Mrs. Sandy Padgett, California Society President of the Order of the Confederate Rose. Then followed California United



Daughters of the Confederacy Vice-President, Marilyn Lagier, and Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, California Department and Pacific area Commander Rudy Velasco. It is always a pleasure to have in attendance George Gremillion, Commander-Elect, Louisiana Division and Aide-de-Camp to SCV Commander-in-Chief Paul C. Gramling. George will be this year's guest speaker at the Saturday Evening Banquet. John Smolley, past Commander of Inland Empire Camp 1742 and past Lieutenant Commander of the California Division and his brother Phil were present. Both men are members of the Inland Empire Camp.

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At the start of business, the assembled members were pleased to hear reports from Sandy Padgett regarding the Order of the Confederate Rose and greetings from Marilyn Lagier, UDC, California Vice-President. Division reports then followed.

Some highlights are as follows: Chaplain Pyle, in his report, spoke of his being able to meet with Past-Division Commander Chuck Norred just before he passed away early in the year. Adjutant/Treasurer Vern Padgett delivered the division's financial report indicating the division's income for the year exceeding \$9,000.00. Out of this sum comes the purchase of H.L. Hunley awards, Division Challenge Coins, etc. Adjutant Padgett reported that all 12 camps were paid up with their dues and at present, 246 active members were accounted for in the division. Division Lieutenant Commander Mike Climo, in his role as Web Master & Social Media officer, spoke of social media and standards, encouraging camps and members to utilize a controlled public page to educate and communicate when addressing the general public regarding the true meaning of the Sons of Confederate Veterans and what the organization represents. Mike encouraged all present to use a private page to communicate private and camp business, and to use the division website to keep up with the division organization and important happenings. Mike informed everyone that the division's website had a 99.2% uptime. He also spoke on the seating arrangements for the evening's banquet and encouraged the tardy camps to complete their camp worksheets and submit their reports to him for tabulation.

Quartermaster Ryan Williams and Signals Officer Kevin Street gave their reports, accounting for division property and social media respectively. Anyone desiring a list of division property can email Quartermaster Williams with their request. Then came Sergeant-at-Arms & Color Sergeant Greg Frazier reporting on the good news that the Smithsonian Institute was recognizing the SCV as the first organization to present an award to civilian war veterans. We look forward to this event. Greg also reported on what camps had done to promote the SCV and other activities by showing the flag.

Jim Stephens, H.L. Hunley Division Hunley Liaison, stepped up to give his report. He thanked those camps that came in early ordering and paying for their awards. To date, Camps 1804, 1208, 1742, 302, 1440, 2048 and 1770 have their awards in hand. Camps 2023 and 2062 were not present to receive theirs. He reported on the Air Force's decision to not award the Hunley to AFJROTC schools and indicating that some AFJROTC schools were also rejecting a similar SUV CW Award. Jim informed those present that National Hunley Liaison Trip Wilson was working with the Air Force JROTC headquarters to reverse their decision.

Division Judge Advocate Robert Crook reported to the assembly on his work to get the California Division State Logo copyrighted, which appears to be moving forward. Division Commander Robert Williams finished up the first session of the business meeting by once again welcoming all those present for attending and presenting his division report.

After a short morning break, the members returned to the meeting room where the attending camp

commanders or their representatives presented their camp reports. Here I will highlight only the report given by Camp 302's Commander, Jim Millsap, seen here going over the meeting agenda. Jim went over the activities of Camp 302 for the past year and proudly announced that he had the new revised Division Challenge Coins with him, of which many of us purchased for the announced price of \$10.00 each. Camp members will have the opportunity to purchase a division coin. Jim was also pleased to present Sandy Padgett with a Camp 302 Challenge Coin before she departed the morning session.



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With camp reports complete, the assembly went over some *old business* that included Adjutant Padgett's reading the minutes of 2019's Re-Confederation and, as per requirements, a unanimous voice vote was held and approval thus accepted.

Dues collection was the first of four areas discussed as *new business* topics came around. The issue was brought up of whether National and Division dues should continue to be submitted separately by individual camps—that is, separate payments to the division adjutant and national headquarters as Camp 302 and other camps now do. Or, should all camps submit total dues to the division who in turn will pay national dues for each member? Because of administrative complications of doing this on the division level, it was decided to postpone this for future discussions.

Social Media Policy and Standards was next on the list and as discussed earlier in this article, members were once again cautioned when using Facebook, Twitter, etc. to communicate with associates and the general public, and to use a private page when communicating with camp members and others regarding personal business. California Division members were encouraged to utilize the Division website *California SCV.org* for up-to-date and accurate information.

Exciting news on the re-interment of General Nathan Bedford Forrest and his wife at Elm Springs and the dedication ceremony scheduled for May 23, 2020 came next in the discussion. Commander Williams announced that he and son Ryan would be attending. Camp 302's own Mike Climo is also scheduled to attend. (See later in this article on the major announcement George Gremillon made regarding this event.)

The last item under new business was the upcoming SCV National Reunion at St. Augustine, Florida scheduled for July 15-19, 2020. Several in the division will be attending, including Jim Millsap, Roy Adair, Steve Smith and Mike Climo of Camp 302. There is still time for last-minute signups for anyone in the camp desiring to attend.



camp flags were placed around the spacious room.

The business meeting concluded with Chaplain Pyle's Benediction, then the break for lunch and, later in the afternoon, the massing of the colors in the hotel courtyard. Following this, Frazier marched the flag bearers into the Bistro Ballroom where division and



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The evening's festivities began when Division Chaplain Pyle delivered the Invocation to start the sumptuous buffet dinner that all enjoyed. Afterwards, Division Commander Williams welcomed members and guests to the banquet and awards ceremony.



To begin with, the anxiously awaited awarding of the Camp-of-the-Year was announced. As expected, each year, competing camps must submit their tabulated worksheet so that it can be reviewed for accuracy and totaled up to determine which camp has gained the greatest number of points for activities accomplished. This year, Camp 302 garnered the coveted award. Here, camp members flank Commander Williams as he presents the Rebel-of-the-Year Sword to Camp Commander Millsap.

Greg Frazier, as seen below, who has accomplished a host of great things for the California Division, came along next when he

was presented with the Chuck Norred Leadership Award for his contributions to the division that includes not only his work as Color Sergeant/Sergeant-at-Arms and his command of the Honor Guard during the memorial ceremonies, but also his work in obtaining the SCV's recognition of civilian war veterans. Greg introduced division members to Domingo's Restaurant in Boron, Ca. that has become an ideal location for meeting and enjoying great Mexican food. Commander Williams also took the occasion to award Greg the SCV Celtic Confederate Award for Greg's involvement with the Scots/Irish clans.

No gathering can be complete without the interesting talks given by *the incredible all-knowing Smoley brothers*: John and Phil Smoley, Inland Empire camp members. John now resides in Arizona and Phil lives here in California. **"The Collapse of the Whigs & The Great 'What If?'"** accompanied by a slide presentation, was the topic as they discussed the decline of the Whig party during the 1850's and the last Whig president, Millard Fillmore, who's term ended in 1853.



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The Whigs remained a factor in congress, but the Democrats would gain power during the latter part of that decade until the Republicans took control in 1859. The Whigs were done. Then came the election of Lincoln. The “What Ifs” clearly explained the policies of Lincoln toward a more reconciliatory reunification of the South if his cabinet and congress had acquiesced, and had he not been assassinated just as the war was ending. The Smoleys talked of the Corwin Amendment passed in March of 1861 and supported by a majority of Northern Republicans, including Lincoln.

The Deep South did not support this as they had already seceded. This amendment would have guaranteed slavery forever in America. The advent of war in 1861 would prevent this act from final passage. As have been said many times before, Lincoln’s desire was to keep the Union together at any costs. His reaching out to Southern politicians and leaders throughout the war to bring the Southern Confederacy back into the Union are too numerous to go over here. (See “The Conquered Banner” January 2020 issue, *Abraham Lincoln, an Observation*.) Also, if any of our readers would like a copy of the Smoleys’ lecture, please contact the editor.

The division’s good friend and frequent attendee George Gremillion, seen below shaking hands with Commander Williams, was this session’s guest speaker. As Aide-de-Camp to the SCV Commander-in-Chief, George always has the inside scoop of the happenings at headquarters. He spoke of those things during his presentation, but jaws dropped when he announced that he had received a phone call prior to the banquet informing him that newly elected Franklin city officials notified Elm Springs that the planned re-interment of General Forrest and his wife and the huge public affair that would accompany it, scheduled for May 23<sup>rd</sup>, had been put on hold. George implied that political issues may have been partly the cause more so than the supposed ban on public gatherings due to the increasing envelopment of COVID-19 just starting to sweep the country.



The evening’s celebration was drawing to a close, and it was time to start the annual Silent Auction. Proceeds from the auction bring in extra revenue for the division’s coffer. Camp 302 oversaw the event, setting up several tables, on which was placed an excellent collection of books, magazines, period clothing, and artwork to adorn the tables. Mr. Mike McGee, a guest, provided newly manufactured busts of famous Confederates and models of Confederate Ironclads. This myriad of great collectables sold quickly once the auction began, and for the first time in many years with the tables virtually empty, the division gained over \$900.00.

No re-confederation banquet can be complete without the traditional singing of “Dixie” that was led by guest Mollie Smith. The rousing rendition is always guaranteed to raise the spirits of all present as the lyrics we uttered brought us once more to cherish our Southern heritage that even out here in the far west, so far from the Deep South, we can still feel an attachment to our Confederate ancestors.

With the banquet complete, many made their way back to their rooms while others, somewhat heartier, stopped off at the hospitality suite for some late-night socializing.



*John & Phil Smoley during their presentation*

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Seen on this page are a couple of photos of your compatriots taken during the division's stay at the Four Points Hotel during the 2020 Re-Confederation:



Camp 302 members at left proudly pose with their Camp 302 flag and the division's Lower South Drury's Brigade Flag Saturday afternoon

Seen below, Steve Smith and Camp 2048's Keven Street strike a pose during the banquet with Commander Millsap and the Inland Empires's Phil Smoley in the background.



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On Sunday morning, the 15<sup>th</sup>, the closing act of this annual Re-Confederation/Convention could not be completed without division members gathering and paying respects to our deceased Confederate veterans



buried in Bakersfield's Union Cemetery. The good ladies of the Mary Boykin Chesnut, Chapter 2634 of Bakersfield, California Division of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, as in years past, hosted the Remembrance Ceremony conducted at the Mary Chesnut Monument. Chapter president, Mrs. Penny Lizalde, speaking at left, welcomed those present and Mrs. Ashley Cooper, chapter chaplain, delivered the

invocation. The division color guard then marched in and posted the colors. All present then recited the Pledge-of-Allegiance to the Flag of the United States and the Salute to the Confederate Flag. President Lizalde introduced the guests, followed by the memorial to Confederate Veterans, Women of the Confederacy, and Veterans of all Wars. A roll call of deceased SCV members that included Paul David James and past Division Commander Chuck Norred was then read to the attendees.

Mrs. Mary Ann Claxton called out the "Roll Call of the States" along with their dates of secession. As with all memorial ceremonies, it was time for attending members and guests to walk forward when the Confederate state in which their ancestors served and then place a red or white rose in the ceremonial vase while calling out the unit or units they were part of. I doubt that any of us will ever forget the names of our Confederate ancestors as the blood that flows through our veins forever ties us directly to these distant family members who lived and endured things at a time we can only imagine. In honoring these men at Union Cemetery, we are honoring our own.

A very fitting verse was read after the presentation of the Ceremonial Wreath composed by Reverend Doctor Randolph McKim that is worth repeating here:

**Not for fame or fortune, not for place or rank,  
Not lured by ambition, or goaded by necessity,  
But in simple obedience to duty as they understood it,  
These men suffered all, sacrificed all. Dared all-and died.**



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After the UDC Chaplain read the closing prayer, Compatriot Frazier led the color guard in a gun salute and the playing of taps, after which the colors were retired, and Chapter President Mrs. Lizalde delivered her closing remarks. With this, the 2020 California Division of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, Re-Confederation came to a close.

I wish to thank Division Commander Robert Williams and the members of Camp 302 who were with me at the Re-Confederation for providing inputs to this article.

***Jim Stephens***



## Camp 302 at the Coyote



At the suggestion of Steve and Deanne Smith, Commander Millsap made arrangements for the camp to meet for the first time at the Coyote Café in Vista for their Pre-Re-Confederation meeting, which occurs a week early each year so that camp members can discuss final plans for the upcoming gathering at Bakersfield. At this meeting, Commander Millsap was pleased to swear in, after a long delay, the camp's newest compatriot, Charles Richard Hill, a Psychologist and formerly a Navy Seal. Charles' ancestor that brought him into the SCV was James M. Lane, attached to the 51<sup>st</sup> Regiment, Georgia Infantry.

Compatriot Hill, below, raises his hand as camp officers swear him in. Welcome aboard, Charles!



Another highlight of the meeting in March was the awarding of the camp's annual Rebel-of-the-Year to a most deserving recipient. For 2019, it was none other than Compatriot John Klinedinst—a longtime member whose extensive generosity and dedication to the camp is so well appreciated. As seen here, John's name has been proudly added to the camp's Rebel-of-the-Year plaque with accompanying sword. Congratulations, John!



For details of the meeting, see minutes on Page Three.



## ***Camp Donation***

The camp approved, by a unanimous vote during the March 2020 meeting, to donate \$1000.00 to the Confederate Museum Fund. This beautiful museum is located on the grounds at Elm Springs, our National Headquarters. It is hoped that eventually, with enough donations coming in from around the Confederation, it will not be long in coming that the museum will be paid for. Thanks goes out to Camp 302 members for the approval of this gift. Below is the very nice thank you letter from headquarters.



GENERAL HEADQUARTERS

***Sons of Confederate Veterans***  
"Historic Elm Springs"

April 2, 2020

SCV Camp 302  
c/o Jim Stephens  
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Oceanside, CA 92057

Dear Compatriots,

On behalf of Commander-in-Chief Paul Gramling, Jr. and the entire membership of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, I want to thank you for your generous donation to the new Confederate Museum Fund which will honor our ancestors by telling the true story of the events during the period 1861 to 1865.

Your donation, and others like it from good Southern men and women, will help the SCV be better able to enlighten the public about the War for Southern Independence that forever shaped American history. Thank you again for your continued membership and strong support of the SCV and for reaching the Stonewall Jackson level of Museum giving.

Sincerely,

Adam Southern  
Executive Director





### ***Color Guard***

The VMC Color Guard scheduled for May 23rd was to be Camp 302's turn to perform our duty. However, due to the COVID-19 outbreak sweeping the nation and the shutdown of public gathering locations in California and here in the San Diego area, the Veterans Memorial Center is temporarily closed. Color Guard duty is cancelled until further notice. We're keeping in touch with the Marine Corps League for updates.

### ***Camp 302 May Meeting***

Considering the current social distancing restrictions on the gathering of groups at public places such as restaurants, the Camp Commander has seen the necessity to cancel the May 9th camp meeting. All members will have seen the commander's email advising of this decision. Hopefully the health concerns will ease up in a few months and the camp can start planning our scheduled July meeting.

### ***H.L. Hunley Award***

As you all know, Camp 302 has been presenting the SCV's highly prized H.L. Hunley Award to nine San Diego area high school JROTC units for several years now. As with everything else that is occurring with the COVID-19 closures, the same applies to all our schools and JROTC programs that are on shutdown for the remainder of the school year. As of publication, with awards ceremonies cancelled, two schools have managed to select a deserving JROTC cadet and the camp will be presenting the award via mail to Mar Vista and Mira Mesa High Schools with a third school on stand-by. More on this in a later edition.



## ***Commander's Message***



Greetings from the Commander,

First, I hope that everyone and their families are safe and healthy during this time. It's hard to believe, but it has been only a month since we departed Bakersfield from our annual California Division Convention. It really seems like a long time ago.

Now we have our daily lives upended with this global pandemic that has led to a "great pause" in our normal routine. We have stay-at-home, self-quarantine government advisories and statewide mandates. The daily cable news briefing updates on the nationwide and global pandemic data has been overwhelming at times, but hopefully there is some light at the end of the tunnel. I sure hope so. I am not sure what the new "normal" will be like as we start to reopen the country, like having to adapt to social distancing, wearing masks while out in public places...our everyday conveniences like going to the grocery store will be more challenging. But I am confident that we will overcome this with the great American spirit!

All the best to everyone. Stay safe and be well.

Deo Vindice,

Jim Millsap, Commander, Father A.J. Ryan, Camp 302