

# UTAH GUN COLLECTOR



Newsletter of the Utah Gun Collectors Association

December 2012

## EVERYONE WANTS A GUN FOR CHRISTMAS!



If Santa forgot to bring the one (or more!) you wanted, you can shop at the Great UGCA show in January!

A BB gun can be a good gift for youngsters at an appropriate age, along with some instruction on gun safety. Be careful, though, you could.....

Other great gifts are UGCA memberships, or NRA memberships. Or, maybe a gift certificate for range time or a concealed weapons permit class.

## RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP TODAY!

If "2012" appears above your address, then your membership expires on December 31<sup>st</sup>.

Please renew your membership by mail using the form on page 7, or in person at the January show to continue receiving UGCA member benefits:

- FREE admission to the great UGCA show for you, your spouse and minor children
- FREE display tables, and reduced price sale tables.
- This great newsletter. And special discounts for our activities

### THE ORIGINAL & ONLY OGDEN

ANTIQUE & MODERN  
COLLECTORS & SHOOTERS

## GUN SHOW!

Superb Exhibits ★ Sales ★ Trades

All Kinds of Guns ★ Swords ★ Knives ★ Ammo

Military ★ Western ★ Indian Artifacts

Knowlegable Experts ★ Informal Appraisals

Collectibles ★ War Memorabilia ★ And More!

*\* Private sellers and FFL Dealers*

### January 12-13, 2013

WEBER COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS

1000 NORTH 1200 WEST

OGDEN, UTAH

EAST OF I-15, EXIT 346 ....



SATURDAY 9:00 TO 5:00

SUNDAY 9:00 TO 4:00



FREE Door prizes! ★ FREE Parking!

**Just \$4\* per Adult for BOTH Days!**  
**Children 12 and Under FREE with Adult**

*UGCA Members and Family Admitted FREE!*

*\* With discount coupon available at Utah's better gun stores.  
Only \$5 without Coupon.*

## CHANGES IN THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Nick W. was elected to the UGCA Board of Directors. He replaces Dave T. who is moving to the backwoods wilds of Wyoming. Dave has been a great Board member and active member of the club and frequent displayer over the years. Thanks for your service, Dave! Hope to see you back for our shows, even if you cannot be on the Board.

Nick is a serious collector of 1911 type pistols, especially rare variations in top condition. Nick runs his own business, in Bluffdale, and is also pretty skilled in computer stuff and we hope he will help us with our website and our email notifications. Welcome aboard, Nick!

Board members serve without any compensation, and spend a lot of time working to make the UGCA the great group that it is.

UGCA was founded in 1960, and credit for our success belongs to all the great people who help plan our shows, the many great people who get tables and bring business inventory or their personal collections out for sale or display. And also, to all the fine people who enjoy coming to our high quality shows!

## NEW MEMBERS— WELCOME!

J. David B.

Kent C.

Dennis J.

Ralph L.

Daniel M.

Nick W.



## UGCA Board of Directors

### Officers

President **George F.**

Vice President/Treasurer **Jimmy C.**

Secretary **R. Carrol C.**

### Directors 2012–2013

**William C.**

**R. Carrol C.**

**Jim D.**

**Linda E.**

**Chuck R.**

**John S.**

### Directors 2013-2014

**Jimmy C.**

**George F.**

**Don W.**

**Nick W.**

**Gary N.**

### Show Chair

**Chuck R.**

### Membership Chair

**Linda E.**

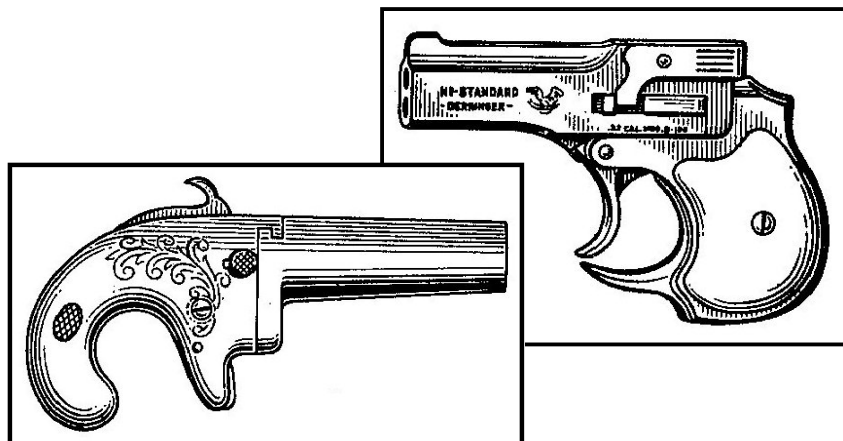
The UGCA Board meets on the Fourth Tuesday of each month, except June and July, usually at S.E.L.L. Antiques, 1488 South State Street in Salt Lake City starting at 7:00 PM. Members are welcome to attend. Please contact the Secretary to confirm date, time and location.

Editor & Webmaster **John S.**

## UTAH GUN COLLECTOR

Your articles and photos are needed for the Newsletter, and greatly appreciated.

Please submit notes, stories or photos to the editor



**National and High Standard Derringers**

# **Savage Lever Action Rifles**

**by David R.**

October  
2012  
Utah Gun  
Collectors  
Show

**HOPE  
BISBING  
AWARD  
FOR  
EXCELLENCE  
WINNER!**



David R.'s impressive *Savage Lever Action Rifle* display won the prestigious Hope Bisbing Award, shown above.



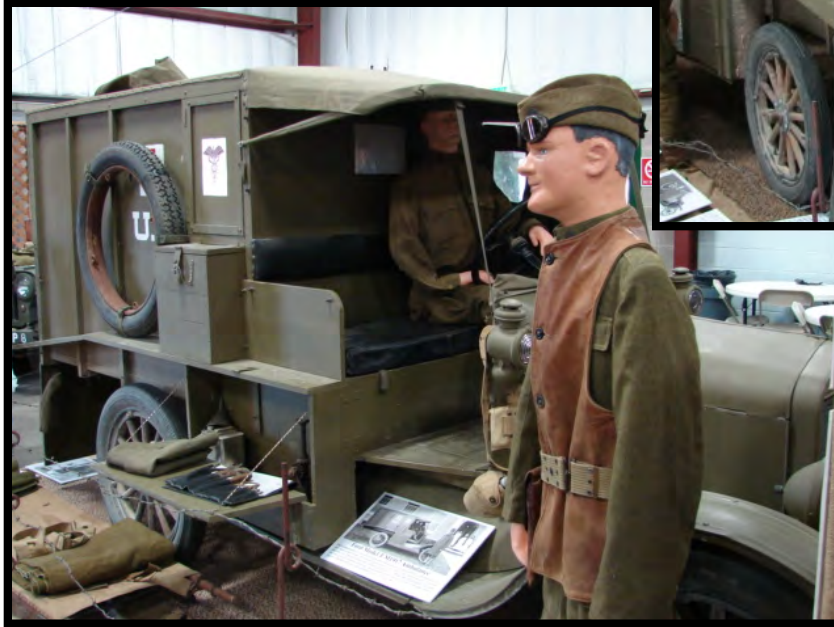
Bruce M.'s superb display *Smith & Wesson Revolvers 1857-1896* earned first place.





***A Brief History of the U.S. Army Ambulance Service in WWI by Gus B.***

was a real crowd pleaser, with his fully working replica of a WW1 Ambulance and lots of information about how they were used.



***Ruger Old Model Single Action Revolver Convertibles***

by Gary R.

Rugers are a popular collecting specialty, with lots of variations still available at modest prices. This show had an amazing variety of different collecting interests on display, with lots of knowledge shared by members with each other and the public.

*Just another reason our shows are among the best in the West!*



## ANOTHER GREAT JANUARY SHOW IS ALMOST HERE!

*Twelve of our last fourteen shows were SOLD OUT, so if you want a table, call for reservations right away! Or, print out an application from <http://ugca.org/tablerequest.pdf> and mail it in with your payment.*

UGCA shows are the best in the state, and by far the cheapest for the public to attend, and for dealers to set up at. Admission and table rent are half (or less!) what the competition charges.



## LIVING HISTORY AND THE PUBLIC!

Part of educating the public about the historic, artistic and technical aspect of guns (and gun collectors) is to let them see the important (and usually very positive) role in American history.

Our historical costume contest participants are a great bunch of people who put a lot of work into researching the guns and equipment and clothing of a certain historical period or person. Such people are often called "Living History" participants, and we need to share the fine work of these people with members and the public, not just the judges.

We would like our living history participants to consider using a designated area in the show to take turns telling people about their character, clothing and firearms. Perhaps on a rotating schedule throughout the weekend, or maybe just on Sundays.

### *How can we do this?*

Let's get people excited about history, especially school age kids and their parents. They sure don't learn much history in school any more!





## The March 2013 Theme will be "Utah Guns." Start Planning....

*We like to throw out a special "theme" for our March shows, to inspire some new exhibits, and new exhibitors.*

*Our normal generous cash prizes will be given and "theme" and "non-theme" displays will be going head to head.*

*"Utah Guns" is a pretty broad area and entries might surprise people. As long as a display incorporates the theme "Utah Guns" it will be eligible for special recognition, in addition to our usual great awards!*

*The judges will have (the tough job) to decide how well a display fits the theme of "Utah Guns." Here are a few possible ideas, but use your own imagination. How about guns brought to Utah by the Pioneers? Guns used by Utah military units in any war, or maybe overhauled at Ogden Arsenal or Tooele Army Depot?. Guns made in Utah (Browning, North American, LAR, Cobra, Robinson Armament, Green River Rifle Works.) Maybe guns designed by Utahns such as P.O. Ackley, Dick Casull, or the Brownings?*

*Maybe some guns used in Utah competitive shooting, or at the Utah shooting games? There have been some Utah commemoratives. The 1911 pistol is Utah's official state gun...*

**Let's have some gun fun in March with YOUR "Utah Guns!"**



Julia B.  
and  
Dave G.' Flags of  
Early  
America and  
Michael  
A.'s  
War of 1812  
displays.





Terry J.'s  
*Rifles of  
Lithgow*  
above.

More October displays...  
**Pairs** by Jan D. above and  
 John S's "**Remember the  
 Maine**" below.



Mike H.'s  
*War Baby:  
M1 Carbines  
USGI &  
Commercial*  
above.



***2013 Membership Renewal*** *Please return before January 1st*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Membership is only \$25.00 per year for regular member, or \$5.00 per year for Juniors under 18 years old.

Memberships are for the calendar year ending December 31st each year. Dues must be paid for the current year to receive benefits of UGCA membership. Make checks payable to Utah Gun Collectors Association

**Mail To: UGCA, PO Box 711161, Salt Lake City, Utah 84171-1161**  
**Or call Linda at 801-486-1349**



Some of the other great display by our members at the October show!



Top Left, Gilmer B.'s *Of Earth & Stone* featured some great Native American relics.

Top right, Gary N. and Gaylord S. revealed the secret inner workings of Schuetzen rifles with *Double Set Triggers Explained*.

At right is one of Dave T.'s *Thompsons*.

The outstanding collection below of *Flare Guns* from all countries was shared by Wes. B.







### Costume Contest Winners-

Above left is Gus B.— as a WW1 German soldier, explaining his equipment (both regulation and unofficial!). Gus earned the 1st Place Award.

Michael A. (far right) as “7th U.S. Infantry” honored the Bicentennial of the War of 1812, along with a fine display. Julia B. earned the Junior 1st place award as Annie Oakley, “Little Miss Sure Shot.”

Brian W. as a WW2 combat medic treated casualty Shane M.. Ben J. enforced good order and discipline as a WW2 Military Policeman, complete with his jeep! These folks all received Judges’ Choice Awards.

#### UGCA CLASSIFIED ADS:

(free to members....)

#### DISPLAY BOARD FOR SALE

Beige burlap covered, peg board with hooks. Wood frame 24" x 38" only \$25.00

See Hope Bi.

**Christmas is Coming!**  
Get the Christmas gift you want at  
**SELL ANTIQUES**

1488 South State Street  
S.L.C., UT 84115

Tues. thru Fri. - 10:00 am to 6:00 pm.  
Or call for an appointment!

#### A GUN SHOW IN YOUR COMPUTER

Visit Antique & Collectible Firearms  
& Militaria Headquarters  
<http://OldGuns.net>

for antique arms, edged weapons, collector  
ammo, uniform items, books, manuals, etc.

### Free, Fun Events in Ogden!

**January 8th and February 12th at 9:00 AM**

UGCA member Ward A. invites everyone (yes, EVERYONE!) to come to the monthly FREE sessions at the Union Station Museum at 25th & Wall Street in Ogden.

They meet on the second Tuesday of every month at 9:00 AM in the meeting room upstairs by the gun museum and last about an hour or so. Free coffee and donuts plus an interesting presentation about guns.

This is the unofficial “Browning Museum Gun Club” group and many UGCA members regularly attend there.

Just show up a few minutes early and follow the others to the room.

Hope to see you there!