

# UTAH GUN COLLECTOR



UTAH GUN COLLECTORS ASSOCIATION

Newsletter of the Utah Gun Collectors Association

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## JANUARY SHOW SUCCESS! MARCH NEXT!

*Despite an unintentional schedule conflict with the Crossroads show in Sandy, the January UGCA show was a big success. Crowds were large, and spending money. There were a few table holders who failed to show at the last minute, so for the first time in several years we were not totally sold out.*

*UGCA is working to coordinate schedules to avoid any future conflicts, if possible.*

Our March 12-13 show should be sold out again, so order your tables NOW! If you have never had a table before, call now and you may be able to get one.

Bring your neighbors along and let them learn something about guns and history. And, buy or sell some guns too.

## Quick Notes...

>> RENEWAL DUE? Check your address label and if it says 2010... You forgot to renew your membership!

>> FREE MEMBERSHIP for one year to anyone who signs up five or more members in a year. Steve Evans earned that for signing up five members in 2010. You can earn one this year!

>> DOOR PRIZES NEEDED— You can be like other great members who donate items for use as door prizes. Take them to the club table at the show! Thanks!

**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*

## March 12-13, 2011

WEBER COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS

1000 NORTH 1200 WEST

OGDEN, UTAH

EAST OF I-15, EXIT 346

**220  
TABLES!**

**SATURDAY 9:00 TO 5:00**

**SUNDAY 9:00 TO 4:00**

**THE  
FIRST UTAH  
GUN SHOW  
of  
2008!**

**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.*

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## MUSEUM NOTES

Get out and enjoy the sights! There are lots of good museums in Utah, and they make a great half day or full day activity for a family or even a group of friends or neighbors. Here are a few of special interest.

Ogden Union Station- John M. Browning's handmade prototypes are reason enough to visit, but others might like the antique cars, or the train and railroad sections. They have a restaurant right there too. (Monday- Saturday 10:00-5:00, \$5 adults, \$4 seniors)

Fort Douglas Museum on the east edge of the U of U campus honors Utah's veterans and military history. A nice selection of guns and they are in the midst of a major expansion. They also need some volunteer docents to work one day a week. (Tuesday- Saturday noon to 5:00, FREE)

Hill Aerospace Museum- I-15 Exit 338- no base passes needed. Loads of historic aircraft, uniforms, weapons. (Daily 9:00-4:30, FREE)

## NEW MEMBERS- WELCOME!

*Michael A.  
Fred B.  
Daniel E.  
John H.  
David R.*

*Guy S.  
William S.  
John T.  
James T.*



## Cops do Gun Show Sting!

Anti-gun people are trying to shut down gun shows!

Undercover New York cops pulled a sting operation at the Crossroads show in Phoenix in January. They bought semi-auto pistols from non-FFL dealers. In two instances, the New York undercover officers specifically said before buying a gun, "I probably couldn't pass a background check," but were still sold guns. The sellers committed a felony!

It is illegal to sell a gun to anyone not a resident of YOUR

state, or who has been convicted of any felony or misdemeanor domestic violence. Or, if they have been involuntarily committed to a mental institution, or are subject to a protective order, are a drug user, or dishonorably discharged. And, illegal immigrants cannot buy ANY type of gun! Handgun buyers must be 21, and long gun buyers at least 18.

If you think a buyer is ineligible, DON'T SELL THE GUN!

BATFE has also conducted sting operations at Utah shows!



## UGCA Board of Directors

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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.**

Your articles and photos are needed for the

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Newsletter, and greatly appreciated.

Please submit notes, stories or photos to the editor

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THE UTAH GUN  
COLLECTORS ASSOCIATION  
ANNOUNCE TWO SPECIAL AWARDS OF

**\$250.00 EACH**

FOR

**JOHN M. BROWNING  
RELATED  
DISPLAYS**



AT THE  
MARCH 12-13, 2011 GUN SHOW!

**This can be ANYTHING related to  
John M. Browning.**

***(Judging by a special panel of judges.)***

*These are in addition to the UGCA's regular display awards!*



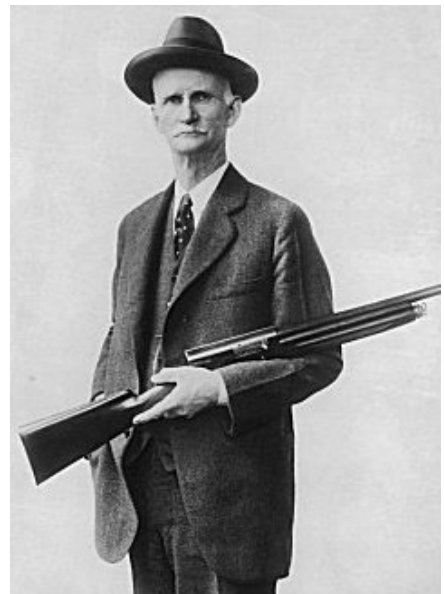
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JOHN M. BROWNING DAY at  
the Utah State Capitol  
January 24, 2011



In 2010 the Utah Legislature declared January 24, 2011 to be John M. Browning Day, honoring this great Utah resident on the 100th Anniversary of the adoption of the Model 1911 pistol by the U.S. Army.

The day was marked with an exhibit with examples of every type of firearm invented by John M. Browning, and by a ceremony honoring the inventor, and his inventions. Utah Governor Gary Herbert spoke about Browning and then presented a proclamation honoring him to his great-grandson, Mr. Chris Browning. Chris then shared family stories about John M. Browning, his education, hard work, and other experiences relating to his life in Utah and his contributions to firearms technology and the defense of our country.



Other speakers included USAF Brigadier General (select) Zobrist, noting that virtually every combat aircraft of WW2 was armed with Browning machine guns. Utah Adjutant General, Major General Tarbet, spoke about the long service of Browning's designs, with the Model 1911 pistol and the .50 caliber machine gun still in service after 100 and 90 years respectively. Comments were also made by Sen. Mark Madsen, sponsor of the bill creating John M. Browning Day; Representative Curt Oda who organized the events, and Representative Carl Wimmer sponsor of a bill to designate the Browning designed Model 1911 pistol as the official Utah State Firearm.

See the full story with photos and  
videos

<http://fortdouglas.org/jmb2011/>

The exhibit was a joint effort by Utah Gun Collectors, Fort Douglas Museum, Ogden Union Station Museum, Browning Arms, Utah Shooting Sports Council, the Utah National Guard, and many individual gun collectors.

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**Hope Bisbing Award for Excellence Winners!**



**Gus B.** provided "A Glimpse into the German Experience in World War I" featuring a vast array of uniforms, weapons and documents, to share in the unprecedented TIE for the prestigious Hope Bisbing Award for Excellence!

**Gilmer B.**'s museum quality collection of Native American artifacts related to their "Surviving Adversity" shared the TIE win for the Bisbing Award. Congratulations to both winners!

*Due to the large number of displays this time, we cannot show the complete list with photos. Make sure you come to the show to see all these great displays!*



**Gregg H. and Friends** set up a "Revolutionary War" display with a great assortment of the firearms, uniforms and equipment of that period. They even brought a cannon! Their fine display earned a second place award!



**Terry J.**'s impressive display included everything related to a pre-WW2 Cavalry officer, left.  
**Gary R.** is one of the many people who collect Bill Ruger's fine guns, right.

It is hard to realize that Rugers were first made in 1949, but quickly became very popular pistols, revolvers and rifles.



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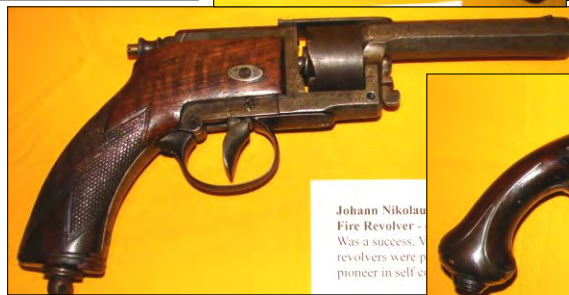


Theodore Bergman Auto Pistol -

**A few of Ray H.'s fantastic "Firearms Oddities!"** Every one of these is an extreme rarity, worthy of a display as a single gun! Third Place award winner!



Model of Belgian Double Barreled



Johann Nikolau Fire Revolver - Was a success. Most revolvers were pioneer in self c



Model of English Cal 76 English made in 1840. Ball under Pistol is number 20 barrel. All guns were

## UGCA CLASSIFIED ADS: (free to members...)

### HELP FIND A GERMAN TARGET PISTOL!

Seen at the UGCA show a couple of years ago- This pistol was the Silver Medal Prize for the 50 meter pistol event at the 1936 Munich Olympics. It has the initials EK on it, for Erich Krempel, who won the prize. If you know the owner, please have them contact

### Invest In Antique Arms!

We have many from which to choose.  
S.E.L.L. 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!

—SHOP ON LINE—  
A GUN SHOW IN YOUR COMPUTER  
<http://OldGuns.net>

for the latest offerings from John Spangler— Antique arms, edged weapons, collector ammo, uniform items, books, manuals, etc.



### Some of the Costume Contestants-

Winner— Shane M.— WW2 Navy Corpsman in the center. Others, left to right: Skyler P.— Valley Forge soldier; Mike A. Revolutionary War soldier. Gus B.— WW1 Russian soldier, Brian W.— WW2 soldier. Mike A. also participated as a member of the Nuavoo Legion.

Some more scenes from  
our great January 2011  
show!  
Thompson SMG, Ivory  
art and arms, and  
Nauvoo Legion costume.



*Mark your calendars...  
Free, Fun Event in Ogden!  
Second Tuesday 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 less.

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!



Brent S. with his historic World War II GI items.

Gaylord S. & Gary N. with their handsome Zimmerschuetzen target rifles.



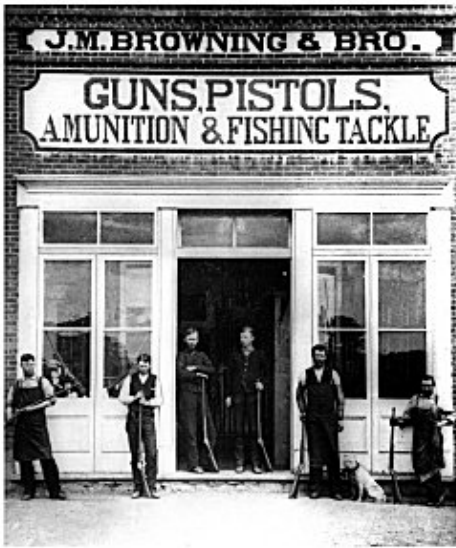
George F. brought some great Springfield Armory rifles.



**Gone, but not forgotten. Our final tribute to LT COL "Jerry" D.**







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More highlights from John M. Browning Day January 24, 2011



Left, John M. Browning's original shop in Ogden, circa 1880. Right, John M. Browning's great grandson, Chris Browning, accepting Browning Day proclamation from Governor Herbert at the ceremony on the Capitol steps.

Right- Browning's rifle designs— top left actually made in his Ogden shop circa 1880, the rest made by Winchester, except for the Remington Model 8, the first successful semi-auto sporting rifle. Bottom right, Fort Douglas Museum Curator, Ephraim D. liked his Browning Mode 1917A1 machine gun!



(MATTHEW ARDEN HATFIELD/Standard-Examiner) Hunter S. and his mother, Michelle, look at firearms designed by John M. Browning on display at the state Capitol in Salt Lake City .



### Winchester Model 1895 Musket

During the Spanish American War, the U.S. Army bought 10,000 M1895 muskets. During WW1, the Czarist Russian forces purchased 300,000 muskets in 7.62x54mm caliber. This one was used by the Russians in WW1, and later sent for use in the Spanish Civil War 1936-39.

