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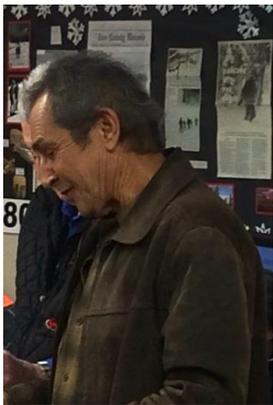


Brian Head Town recently celebrated its 40th year of incorporation (not to be confused with Brian Head Resort, who celebrated 50 years of establishment this year). A special celebration was held on Thursday, March 12, 2015, where lunch was served to all who wanted to help celebrate.

A public display was set up in the Council Chambers showing a history of our Town with lots of fun memorabilia. Thanks to those that joined us in reminiscing about the past 40 years. We enjoyed the memories and can't wait to make many more!



Party Fun!



Two of the early pioneers of Brian Head - Nick Vasels (left) and Steve Lutz (right)



Paul Rolandt (CBN Monument) and Mayor Deutschlander

**Brian Head Public Safety
Part-time Deputies**

*(By Brad Benson, Deputy Town
Marshal)*

Brian Head Public Safety would like to recognize our three part-time deputies for the great contributions they make for the department and the public they serve.

You may already know our part-time deputies. You've seen them working shifts on and off throughout the years. They have become part of the community as well as the police department. Here is a little biography of each one.



Gary Bulloch

Gary Bulloch: Gary grew up in Cedar City Utah. After graduating from Cedar High, Gary received a rodeo scholarship from Cal-Ploy University in San Luis Obispo California. After some time at Cal Poly, Gary was offered another rodeo scholarship at SUU. Gary jumped at the chance to come home and continue his education near his family ranch.

While attending SUU, Gary was named the Rocky Mountain Regional Bull riding Champion and made a name for himself when he was one of the "top ten" bull riders in the College National Finals.

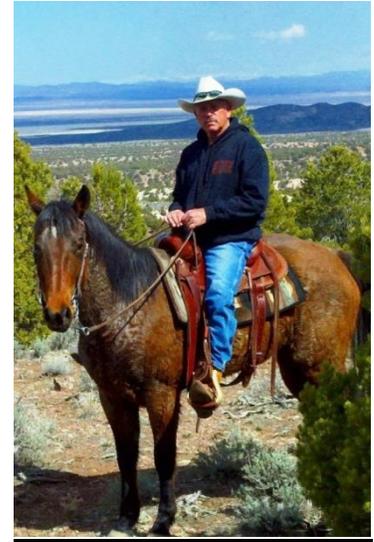
In 1988 Gary started his law enforcement career with Utah Department of Corrections, spending most of his time at the Cedar City Correctional Facility. While working for corrections, Gary was well known and respected by the inmates as well as his fellow employees.

In 1995, Gary was hired by the Brian Head Department of Public Safety as a patrol deputy. Gary moved his young family to the mountain and quickly became a member of the community. Shortly after arriving in Brian Head, Gary was assigned to be the Assistant Fire Chief and implemented a plan for all Brian Head fire fighters to become State certified fire fighters. This plan is still in effect with Brian Head Fire Department having many State certified fire fighters including all full time deputies.

Gary was hired in 2001 to be the Public Safety Director for Brian Head. Under Gary's leadership, Brian Head saw many improvements to the public safety department especially to the fire department. New fire trucks were purchased that greatly improved public safety in our area. A new fire house was also constructed which further allowed Brian Head to purchase wild-land fire engines that are manned by Brian Head fire fighters and respond to wild-land fires throughout the western United States. The wild-land division of Brian Head Public safety routinely sends engines and crews to BLM and forest fires which, in turn, bring federal monies back to Brian Head.

In 2012, Gary retired from full time law enforcement but is still actively involved with the fire department and part time police duties. Gary Lives in Parowan with his wife Suzette. They have been married for 27 years and have 3 children. Gary spends his time working on the family ranch and is a co-owner of BJB land and livestock.

When not on the mountain you can usually find Gary hunting or fishing or hauling hay to his cows.



Tom Cowan

Tom Cowan: Tom Cowan started his law enforcement career in 1973 with the Cedar City Police Department. After several years Tom moved on to the St. George Police Department where he was on St. George's very first SWAT team. Tom later joined the Midvale Police Department where he was also on Midvale's very first SWAT team. While at Midvale, Tom started the FTO program for Midvale. This Program provides newly hired police officers, Field Training experience and helps mentor new recruits. This program has since been implemented by practically every police department in the United States.

In 1996 Tom retired from the Midvale Police Department and moved back to Cedar City. After a while it became clear to Tom that he wasn't done with law enforcement. Tom was hired by SUU Police department and served an additional 16 years as a full-time campus police officer.

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Brian Head Public Safety Part-time Deputies

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Tom also became a POST certified firearms instructor and taught firearms classes at the POST academy in St. George.

In 2010, Tom once again retired from SUU and started working as a part time Deputy for Brian Head Public Safety.

Tom lives in Cedar City with his wife. Tom has 3 children, 11 grandchildren and 5 great grandchildren. Tom has one son that is currently working as a Police Officer for St. George Police Department with 20 plus years of experience. When Tom isn't on the mountain you can find him riding his horses, target shooting or reading a good book.



Jeff Morgan

Jeff Morgan: Jeff Morgan spent 32 years in full time law enforcement. Jeff began his career in Whittier California but after 5 years moved on to the San Bernardino County Sheriff Department.

While at San Bernardino, Jeff held a variety of positions including Patrol Deputy, Media Relations Deputy, and Detective with violent crimes, Watch Commander and Search and Rescue Operations. Jeff spent 25 years on the San Bernardino Sheriff Dive Rescue team (15 years as the team commander). While on the dive team Jeff became an underwater forensics specialist. Jeff has consulted and investigated crimes all over the world where specialized techniques are needed for water involved investigations. Jeff has appeared on the A&E television show 48 hours and given expert testimony on diving related deaths. Jeff is an international dive rescue instructor which trains other law enforcement agencies, including the FBI, on rescue diving and underwater evidence collection.

After retiring, Jeff spent 5 years as a commercial pilot and contracted with the US Air Force to escort unmanned aircraft through public airspace.

In 2014 Jeff and his wife moved from California to Utah and purchased a house in the St. George area and a condo in Brian Head. In 2014 Jeff was hired as a part time Deputy and began helping certify Brian Head Deputies in rescue diving.

Jeff has been married for 30 years and has 2 Children. Jeff works as a Ski School instructor for Brian Head Resort and spends his spare time at his many hobbies. Jeff states that he loves Brian Head and plans on staying here for a long time.

Brian Head Public Safety is very proud of our part time Deputies. Each has years of law enforcement experience and we are honored that they have chosen to work for Brian Head.



Wheels for Wishes *(from the Internet)*

Wheels for Wishes is a car donation program benefiting Make-A-Wish® Utah. We are proud to offer a free and easy way to recycle or donate unwanted cars, trucks, motorcycles, SUVs, RVs, or even boats, by turning them into a wish for a local child. We pick-up or tow away cars free of charge, anywhere in Utah, whether they run or not.

Vehicles are either recycled or auctioned off and 100% of the net proceeds benefit Make-A-Wish Utah. Since we are a tax-exempt charity under section 501-C(3) of the IRS Code, you also receive the maximum possible tax deduction for your charity vehicle donation.

To donate, you can give us a call at 1-855-417-9474 or fill out our easy online vehicle donation form.

Next, we will contact you within 24 hours to schedule your vehicle pick-up, which is completely free of charge.

Lastly, we will mail out your tax deductible receipt, which you can save and deduct from your taxes at the end of the year.

This wonderful program helps both children in need and those donating their vehicles. Let's help all we can!



Brian Head Events March, April & May 2015

(Contact Brian Head Resort at (866) 930-1010 or Brian Head Town at (435) 677-2029 for more information)

Every Friday, Saturday and Holiday is night skiing and tubing at Brian Head Resort (4 – 9 p.m.) - The party doesn't stop when the sun goes down at the resort! Last Chair Saloon, Blackfoot (Chair #3), the terrain parks and tubing hill stay open until 9 p.m. on Fridays, Saturdays, and Holidays. On Saturdays, the Last Chair Saloon offers \$5 dinner entrees (at 5 pm) and live music!

Every Saturday and Sunday from March 6th to April 12th is NASTAR racing at the resort (10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.) – NASTAR is the acronym for the NATIONAL STANDARD RACE and is the largest public grassroots ski race program in the world. More than 165,000 Nature Valley NASTAR racer days are recorded throughout the season at 115 resorts. Race against your friends, family, or just the clock! Times are recorded and entered into a National database so you can track your time.

March 7, 2015 (Saturday) - YSL at the Resort

March 7, 2015 (Saturday) - Southwestern Wildlife Foundation Bald Eagle Release

March 13 – 15, 2015 (Friday, Saturday, Sunday) - Great White Weekend at the Resort – Come enjoy a Great White Weekend from our friends at KOMP radio in Las Vegas, Nevada. There will be DJs, raffles, giveaways, live music and much more!

March 14, 2015 (Saturday) - St. Patty's Day Celebration at the Resort – Celebrate St. Paddy's Day with tubing, races, live music, Irish food, and drink specials!

March 14, 2015 (Saturday) - Cosmos on the Mountain at 7pm at Navajo Lodge – Come enjoy star gazing at 10,000 feet! Meet at 7 p.m. – star gazing from 8 – 10 p.m.

March 21, 2015 (Saturday) - Hero's Day at the Resort – A day to honor Fire Fighters, Police Officers, Emergency Management Services (EMS) workers, and Military Personnel.

March 21, 2015 (Saturday) - Triple Crown Best Trick at the Resort – this is the final event in the Triple Crown Series. Go big or go home!

March 28, 2015 (Saturday) - Spring Break at Brian Head Resort – Spend Spring Break on the slopes! Activities include: Annual Pond Skim, Card Board Box races, and live music!

April 4, 2015 (Saturday) - Brian Head Resort Easter Celebration – There will be lots of fun activities for the kids, including the annual Easter egg hunt! This is always a fun event.

April 12, 2015 (Thursday) – Brian Head Ski Resort Closes for Season

May 23, 2014 (Saturday) - Cedar Breaks National Monument Summer Season Opens - Visitor facilities open and scheduled interpretive activities begin, including Ranger-led hikes, geology programs, special events, and much more! The actual opening date may be dependent on snow levels. Call 435-586-9451, 435-586-0787, or visit our website at www.nps.gov/cebr to verify opening dates and for more detailed information.

Brian Head Town Employee, Wendy Dowland, Receives URWA Award

Wendy Dowland, Brian Head Town Public Works Assistant, was given the award for the 2014 "Office Person of the Year" from the Utah Rural Water Association (URWA). She was selected from candidates from water systems throughout the State and received this prestigious honor at the annual URWA Conference held in February 2015. Congratulations Wendy!



Wendy Dowland, Brian Head Town Public Works Assistant

Two Town Marshals' Receive Commanding Officer's Citation

Brian Head Town Sergeant, Dan Guymon, and Deputy Part-time Officer, Jeff Morgan, were awarded the Commanding Officer's Citation at the Town Council meeting on March 10, 2015. These two Public Safety Officers retrieved six stolen snowboards taken from Brian Head Resort. Without any suspects or evidence, they conducted an investigation which led them to Fredonia, Arizona. There they recovered the six snowboards and made three arrests!

Officers Guymon and Morgan are to be commended for their interview and interrogation skills, initiative, and professionalism exhibited on this occasion. Brian Head Town is grateful for its strong Public Safety force! Congratulations Officers!



Mayor Deutschlander & Julie Saemisch

Julie Saemisch - "Queen of the Flakes!"

Local resident, Julie Saemisch, was given the honor of "Queen of the Flakes" at the Brian Head Town Council meeting of January 27, 2015. Mayor Deutschlander presented her with a plaque and declared January 27, 2015 as Queen of the Flakes Day in Brian Head.

Julie created this self-proclaimed name and it has stuck. She was thanked for her many years of volunteer service on behalf of Brian Head Town. Among her many contributions to the Town, she has overseen the Visitor's Center the past few years and has spent every other Friday on the KSUB radio show talking about Brian Head issues. Julie is always willing to help with any project happening in Brian Head!

Thanks Julie for your many years of selfless service to our community! You're awesome!



Mayor Deutschlander presenting awards to Jeff Morgan and Dan Guymon

2015 Brian Head Municipal Elections

This year in Brian Head there are two (2) Town Council seats open for election. Each position is a 4 year term (from January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2019). The Municipal Primary Election day is August 1, 2015 and the General Municipal Election day is November 3, 2015.

Filing for Candidacy

To qualify as a candidate, you must 1) Be a United States citizen; 2) Be a registered voter of Brian Head; 3) Be a resident of Brian Head for a period of 12 consecutive months immediately preceding the date of election; and 4) not be a convicted felon, unless the right to hold elective office has been restored.

If you are interest in filing to run for a Town Council member, you must abide by the following:

- All interested qualified residents must file for candidacy in person with the Town Clerk, during normal business hours.
- Dates for filing for candidacy are June 1 – 7, 2015 by 5:00 p.m.
- A qualified resident of Brian Head can become a candidate for office by filling out a ‘Declaration of Candidacy’ for themselves or, by having another resident of the Town gather signatures on a nomination petition. No filing is required to file for candidacy.

Brian Head is a By-Mail voting precinct. This means ballots are mailed to all registered voters approximately three (3) weeks prior to the election. When returning the ballots, they must be post marked no later than the Friday prior to Election Day. Do not submit ballots on the day of election.

Primary Election

If the number of candidates for a particular municipal offices does not exceed twice the number of persons needed to fill that office, a primary election for that will not be held and the candidates are considered nominated.

The law has also been changed that if the number of eligible candidates, including write-ins, does not exceed the number of offices for which the candidates have filed, and there are no other municipal ballot propositions, the Town Council may cancel the election and declare the candidates elected. UCA 20A-1-206.

Write-In Candidates

To become a valid write-in candidate for the election, a person must file a “Write-in Declaration of Candidacy” form with the Town Clerk in person not later than 60 days before the November election. The candidate must also qualify all the requirements of the office.

Additional information is available on the Utah Elections website at <http://vote.utah.gov/register-to-vote>. Other contact information: Nancy Leigh, Brian Head Town Election Officer, nleigh@bhtown.utah.gov – (435) 677-2029. Jon Whittaker, Iron County Clerk, jon@ironcounty.net – (435) 477-8341.



“If you want to succeed you should strike out on new paths, rather than travel the worn paths of accepted success.”

-John D. Rockefeller