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GETTING TO KNOW

DENECE LARSEN – Editor of "PAF Express"



I truly came from goodly ancestors that sacrificed much to leave their ancestral countries and come to the Promised Land, America for a new religion they had joined. Two of my great-grandparents came from England and the other six from Denmark. That makes me one-fourth English and three-fourths Danish.

My Great-grandfather John Peter Olsen had just finished a mission in his native country and was headed to America when he made re-acquaintance with Maren Petersen in Liverpool England. They sailed on the Emerald Isle, one of the tall sailing ships and were married four days out to sea. This is the one voyage written about where the Mormon immigrants on board were so mistreated by the ships crew. With my great heritage, I have much to live up to.

I was the fourth of four children born to my parents. My two sisters and one brother were 6, 8 and 10 years older than me. So my brother refers to me as the caboose. I was born on my brother's birthday and he didn't appreciate having another sister when he already had two older sisters.

I was born in Salt Lake City and lived in the Sugarhouse area. I went to Hawthorn Elementary, Irving Junior High and graduated from South High School.

I met my husband to be, Curtiss Larsen, May 1952 and we were married April 1953 in Manti, Utah. During our married years, we have lived in Salt Lake City, Boise, Idaho, Cedar City, again in Salt Lake City, Upland, California, for a short time and then we moved to St. George April 1, 1991. We have 3 sons, 3 wonderful daughter-in-laws, 10 grandchildren and 2 great-grandsons.

We first got involved with the PAF program in the early 1980's. Our 1st computer was a Kaypro 10 that had a 10 mg hard drive. (Wow!) It was a DOS system so when we got our 1st PC computer we had to take our 5.25" floppy disk to the Family History Department in Salt Lake to be "converted" to the windows format. So we have been doing genealogy from hand written sheets to the sophisticated programs used now.

For several years we served as Stake Family History Consultants and attended the first Washington County PAF Users Group organization meeting November 1991. Curt has served in several positions in the group until this year and I have been compiling the newsletter for about fifteen plus years. I find it an interesting and challenging project each month. In our ward I do our Ward Bulletin weekly, and indexing. I also type and organize Personal Histories for individuals. In the evenings I manage to keep myself busy tatting, knitting, etc. ☺

TIP

The Print Screen key, often in the upper-right of the keyboard will capture an image off the screen. Pressing both the Alt and the Print Screen keys at the same time will capture an image of the active window. It can then be pasted into a graphic program or word processor. This function can be especially helpful for instructors to demonstrate web sites, when an Internet connection is not available.

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