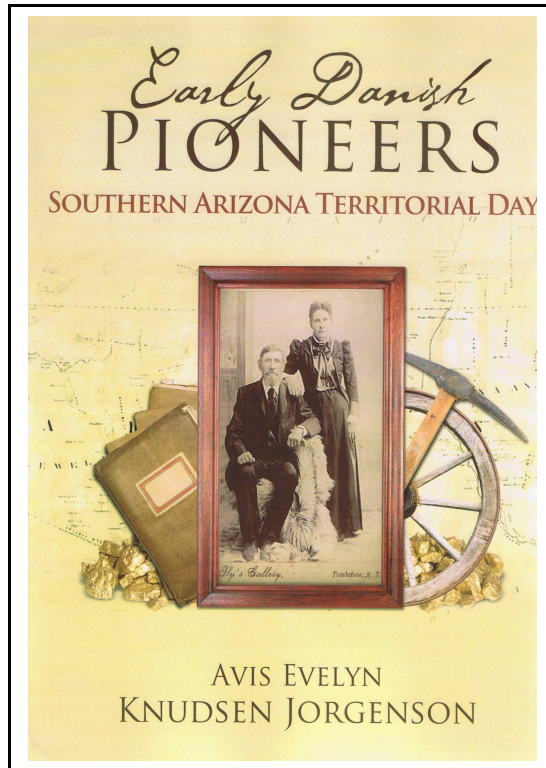


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New book: It is always exciting to see new books published about Danish immigrants, especially ones that discuss their lives and activities outside the major regions of Danish settlement in North America. Avis Jorgensen's recent work, *Early Danish Pioneers: Southern Arizona Territorial Days* (2009; ISBN 978-1-300-05840-3), does exactly that and is a very welcome addition to the museum library collection. Using source materials in archives and historical societies at state, county and local levels, Jorgensen brings to life through biographical sketches and photographs some of the hardy Danish immigrants who settled in what was Arizona Territory between 1840 and 1912. Her compilation principally discusses those individuals who settled or worked for longer or shorter periods of time in six early Arizona counties (Cochise, Graham, Pima, Pinal, Santa Cruz and Yuma), employed as miners, railroad men and soldiers, as well as farmers, ranchers and businessmen, with a few adventurers thrown in. Additional chapters discuss artist Herman Wendelborg Hansen and introduce Niels Petersen, whose Victorian home is now a museum in Tempe. This is fascinating reading about Danes who trod less well-traveled paths after coming to this country and should be useful for family historians whose Danish ancestors lived in early Arizona.

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