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Oral History From: Loyal Hunter and Bobbi Brown

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teacher and I've learned a lot from her. She sets an awesome example, and is just one of those mothers that always knows what is right. She is an amazing woman.

Megan: Ok, What is your full name?

Mom: Bobbi Lee Hunter Brown

Megan: Do you have any nick names?

Mom: in high school my friends would call me Bob, or Bobbet, or Bobbi lee from Kalamazie or Bobbi lou from Kalamazou.

Megan: Where do you live?

Mom: In Ferron Utah

Megan: Have you ever lived anywhere else?

Mom: I grew up in Salt Lake, once I moved to Cedar City, when your dad and I got married we moved to Kerns, then we moved to Ferron, then we moved to Kemmerer, then we moved back to Ferron.

Megan: Have you traveled anywhere?

Mom: Uh, we went to Washington and South Dakota and I've been to Colorado, Idaho, California, Nevada.

Megan: Where was your favorite place?

Mom: South Dakota

Megan: Why?

Mom: Because of the.....hahah... what's the monument out there?

Megan: Crazy horse

Mom: Crazy horse and

Megan: Mount Rushmore

Mom: Mount Rushmore. I like them the best.

Megan: Where were you born?

Mom: I was born in Salt Lake.

Megan: When were you born?

Mom: I was born October 6, 1958

Megan: Tell me about dad. What's his name?

Mom: Vance Eugene Brown

Megan: Where was he born?

Mom: He was born in Salt Lake City

Megan: When was he born?

Mom: He was born July 22, 1959

Megan: Do you have any children? Well of course you do. So tell me about them.

Mom: My oldest is Amber Lee Braun and she was born April 15, 1978. Then there's Danielle Brown she was born August 7, 1980. Then Ashley Lynn Brown She was born November 5, 1981. Then Brittany Ann Bentley she was born March 1, 1986. Then Megan Rae Brown March 27, 1989.

Megan: Where do they all live?

Mom: Amber lives in Ferron down the street. Danielle lives in Ferron just down the street.

Ashley lives in price soon to be Denver, Colorado. Brittany lives in Price, and Megan lives in Ferron down stairs.

Megan: What kind of work do you do? Or did you do.

Mom: I'm a home worker, I'm recently watching my grandson, while his mother works. Been a lunch lady. I've been Mills on Wheels.

Megan: What was your first job?

Mom: My first job was Substitute for lunch lady

Megan: how old were you?

Mom: 37

Megan: How much schooling have you had?

Mom: I graduated high school

Megan: are you a member of any club, organization, or church?

Mom: I'm LDS

Megan: Tell me about your Brothers and Sisters.

Mom: I have a sister, Leslie Worburtan-this time- um she has two kids Sarah and Zachary, they live in Dushane. My brother is Michel his wife is Susan, they live in Gunnison and they have no children. And I had a brother when I, who died at the age of three and I was eight when he died

Megan: Um. What is your fathers full name?

Mom: Dan Harry Hunter

Megan: Where was he born?

Mom: He was born in Ferron Utah.

Megan: Uh, what's his birth date?

Mom: I have no idea what his birthday is(giggle)

Megan: Oh. Where does he live?

Mom: Right now he lives in Price, I mean they live in Castle Dale.

Megan: Hehe what kind of work does he do or did he do?

Mom: He's retired, but he was a prospector in the mineral business had his own business for a while there he worked for the government.

Megan: What's your mothers full name?

Mom: Lloyal Elloese Hunter

Megan: Where was she Born?

Mom: Orangeville Utah.

Megan: Do you know her Birthday?

Mom: No, oh its Well my dads is September 22? But I don't know the year. And my moms is April 6 and I don't know the year.

Megan: and... k. What kind of work did she do? Or does she do?

Mom: Well when we were younger and stroght for money and my brother was sick, I know she useta scrub peoples floors. Um she worked in the lunch room in the Jr. High and she owned her own Macramé and Needle point business. And I remember she useta work at the toy store and at maverick and hallmark, but her last job was at Maverick.

Megan: What, where do your Ancestors come from?

Mom: Denmark

Megan: Do you recall(cough) about the history of your family?

Mom: I just remember one story my dad would always tell about his grandpa, or his great Grandpa and uh. He was the sheriff at the time , here in Ferron, and I don't know, some gang came in through town, the red, Robbers Ruse gang or something like that, and he captured them. I remember that story. I remember he had a scar on his head, on his for head, and he said a giant grasshopper kicked him in the head. And he had...

Megan: Grandpa?

Mom: Yeah, he had that scar right there above his eyebrow and he'd always tell us that a big ol' grasshopper kicked him in the head. But what is was, was his dad was uh choppin some wood and hit him in the head with an axe.

Megan: What do you remember about the house you grew up in?

Mom: Uh... it was a pretty fair sized house, and, and.. before they finished the basement we would go down stairs and roller skate down there, and my dad built us a play house down there, and it only had one bathroom, which wasn't exciting, and it was in a nice neighborhood.

Megan: What do you... How is it different from the housing you live in today?

Mom: Its about the same. It was built in the Fifties, or maybe Sixties. It was a brick house, it was in a nice neighborhood.

Megan: What do you remember about the town or community where you grew up?

Mom: It was in the big city, but back then in the 60's and 70's it was like living in a small town, I mean everyone knew everyone in the neighborhood, and ya know we were all close, and you knew you could depend on your neighbors, it was just kinda a close nit neighborhood.

Megan: How is it different from the community you live in today?

Mom: Um..

Megan: Or is it?

Mom: Its not really different except that now days we're not as friendly with each other, as friendly with our neighbors as we useta be.

Megan: What are some of your favorite family stories that include your Parents or Siblings?

Mom: Oh lets see, One time your dad took your grandpa for a ride up Joes Valley, um they were coming down the dug way in the Doon buggy. And they were coming pretty fast, and the breaks went out, and uh. They were flipping around the corners pretty fast and grandpa had a hold of his

diet Pepsi and when he came to the bottom he hadn't drop one single drop of his Pepsi, he held onto that Pepsi for dear life. Lets see what other one did I say. Oh once my friend and I, we were in Joes Valley, when I was probably your age. And we were whipping around in the doonbuggies at Mary's lake and we were flipping around, and this stuff kept droppin on my leg and I kept thinking My heck look at all these grasshoppers, but come to find out it was really Cow manure. And I don't know we just had a fun time Camping and having a fun time

Megan: what were some of the special Occasions in your family and community?

Mom: Our family we would go camping a lot, as a family. Like grandmas and grandpas, and aunts and uncles, cousins and we just made a big thing of it. And I remember as a community the uesta have the Bazars they go- the church, or the ward-would put on a Bazar and ya know ya'd go buy stuff its pretty cool. They did a lot more back then than they do now.

Megan: Um... what are some special occasions that you are celebrated today that you did back then?

Mom: Well Thanksgiving, Christmas, we useta go out at Easter and as a big family thing, but that's kinda (cough) kinda went. We don't do that anymore really.

Megan: What are some uh homemade foods you had as a child?

Mom: Um. I don't know my grandma we'd go down to grandmas and she'd make homemade bread and we'd stand around the bread, the dough, and she'd give us all dough um.. my mom wasn't a very good cook she'd make cookies and stuff like that. And homemade bread.

Megan: What were some of the foods you ate regularly? Normal

Mom: Food. Well, just like food now days. Hamburgers. I remember when my mom would get Migraines headaches. We'd always know when mom was sick because my dad would be frying

up the hamburgers open the can corn and the can potatoes. That's what we'd haveta eat. When we come home smelling the can corn and fried potatoes we knew my mom was sick.

Megan: What are some of the foods you ate on special occasions?

Mom: Well for Easter or Christmas or Thankgiving, it'd be Turkey and Ham. (cough cough) and we'd get my moms special Chocolate pie and rum cake which we'd only get once a year.

Megan: Name and describe some of the games you played as a child.

Mom: Um. Red Rover Red Rover, we played marbles, we really liked marbles. Um, mother may I, No bears out tonight, (cough).

Megan: What was your favorite game you played?

Mom: Marbles. And um we played board games. Probably the same board games you have now.

Mon- Monopoly, Clue, ya know, scrabble, Trouble. I liked trouble (cough)

Megan: Did you ever have any like homemade toys?

Mom: No.

Megan: Did you parents have any special hobbies or crafts?

Mom: my mom needle pointed and macramé and I don't reme- think my dad had any.

Megan: Do you have any favorite hobbies?

Mom: I useta like to make dolls, but I don't do that anymore.

Megan: Where did you learn this hobby?

Mom: I learned it from Christy Collum 10-11 years ago. (hehehe) what are you laughing about?

Megan: Do you remember any stories you were told as a child, like Ghost stories or things like that?

Mom: hehe ... No Well there was the Elf under the bed that popped your zits I can't remember, and just the story about the Joes Valley Ghost, I don't remember them



Megan: Do you remember and Jokes or riddles from your childhood?

Mom: just knock knock. whose there. Boo. Boo Who? Well ya don't haveta cry about it.

Megan: haha

Mom: I know im just so wonderful

Megan: um. Do you remember being sick as a child?

Mom: Yeah, I remember being sick, and my mom would spoil us that's why we liked being sick.

Because she would wheel the t.v. in from the front room and she would give us all our meals in bed and um. And I remember one time when my sister and I were really sick and it was snowing really hard out side, and our family doctor made a visit to our house and gave us a shot of penicillin, but doctors don't come to your houses anymore.

Megan: Do you use any homemade remedies?

Mom: My dad would put a thing a hot bowl of water and steam it up and make a paper funnel and like put vix and like rub it around the news paper and stick it in the steam and make us stick our head in the newspaper funnel so you can breath. Or if our back hurt he'd make us put our arms he'd lift us up and make us hang on the door, or if our neck hurt he'd try and crack it we never told him our neck hurt. Because he would just hurt it worse than make it feel better. and lets see my mom told you that alcohol in your belly button will make your tummy ache go away and if your car sick stick your hand out the window in the car and it'll make you feel better.

Megan: That really works.

Mom: So,

Megan: Uh. Do you remember any beliefs or anything anyone ever told you?

Mom: well just to be a good citizen and work hard in what you do

Megan: Uh. What was the most valuable thing your parents or other adult told you about getting along in life?

Mom: Oh that was that one

Megan: Oh

Mom: (chuckle) sorry

Megan: Meh

Mom: Just stand up for your beliefs and be a good citizen don't take things for grand it and work hard .. and.

Megan: What were some of the things your remember about school like friends or teachers.

Mom: My 6<sup>th</sup> grade teacher was Mr. Brown. Um. We played dodgeball at recess . and I remember 6<sup>th</sup> grade was the first year they let us wear pants to school. Ya know we always had to wear dress, we'd always wear shorts under our dresses so we could play marbles and stuff. But sixth grade that's the year they let. They changed the dress school and they let us wear pants to school, the girls could wear pants to school. Junior High, I didn't like Junior High, my sister didn't make it any better. She was the big 9<sup>th</sup> grader and I was the lowly 7<sup>th</sup> grader. She told me I'm not aloud to talk to her or look at her because im a lowly 7<sup>th</sup> grader. High school we just had fun. I remember it was just fun I mean we learned but I enjoyed myself. My friends and I were just goofy and silly.

Megan: How about any of your teachers

Mom: They weren't that great that they stood out. I mean. Oh There was Mrs. McDonald The dance teacher. She was this little red headed lady with a big nose I didn't like her much. I didn't like her much, but she was just weird, we always thought that she was the Ronald McDonald Clown.

Megan: Um. What was the most amazing thing you've ever seen?

Mom: My children being born was the most amazing thing.

Megan: What historical events do you remember?

Mom: I remember when I was eighteen and I could vote President Ford came to town and my dad took me and we went and listen to him speak and we see people who were protesting him and I thought that was really kinda weird, and then when the space shuttle blew up in '80... '85 or '86 and I remember I was teaching a preschool class, they had home preschool-mothers preschool- and they were in coloring and I was watching the t.v. seeing what the t.v. was on and watching them blast off and watched it explode, and then When 9-11 came I was doing your hair and we were sitting there watching t.v. and the airplane crashed into the tower. I remember those. I remember the man on the moon, listen to the radio. Or I think we were in the car listening to it. I can't remember I briefly remember that.

Megan: How did you and dad meet

Mom: Well up in Salt Lake it was a big thing to drag main, and we were dragging state street. And I was with my friend Sharon and she started talking to this guy in the next car. And it was someone she worked with, and she kinda had a crush on him. So she , they wanted to go stop and get a coke or something. So we stopped and your dad was, they guy that Sharon liked was friends with your dad. And your dad was there and I remember your dad sitting there staring at me and all I could think was ew what a scuz bucket. I didn't like him and I thought he was.. and he just kept starring at me and I didn't like that. And she wanted to go on a date with him but your dad wanted to take me out, and she kept begging me PLEEAASE so they could go out. And then after a couple of days I figured he wasn't so bad. But I remember oh what a scuzo..

Megan: Hahahahaha

Mom: So, and we went out for a while and got married and had a family. Moved to Ferron and he got on with the Power plant. My mom and dad are both from down here, and they moved up to salt lake, and your dad and I moved back down here and our house is on the property that my grandpa owned. So.

Megan: What did you guys use to do for your spare time when you were growing up?

Mom: Um we would walk to 7 11 me and my friend were like in 6<sup>th</sup> grade maybe 7<sup>th</sup> anyways. We'd walk in there and we'd talk about the birds. Remember the movie the birds? And we'd think "What would we do if the birds came?" and then we'd always talk about that. Where would we go what would we do? And then we watched it the other day and I'm thinking that? We were scared of that (chuckle) and then we'd go bowling, and mom on Saturday it was an annual thing ya know to be dropped off at the mall and we'd go shopping. Not shop just walk around annoying people. Or go bowling or movies. There was a lot to do in the city. So, we would do. Or like during the summer time they'd have the Walk-a-thon for the American Heart Association or something, we always went on that. Walk 25 mile. Um. A little bit older when grandpa got a boat we went water skiing. We had a lot of fun things at mutual, girls camp. It was hard to move down here from the city but I wouldn't go back to the city for nothing. I remember one time we went camping and we were sitting on the back of the truck on the tail gate and we hit a bump and I went flying off, and my sister was laughing so hard that she couldn't tell my dad to stop to pick me up, and they just kept driving and I was sitting in the middle of the road crying( heheh) I was 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> grade, maybe 5<sup>th</sup> I don't know, but she was laughing so hard that she couldn't tell my dad to stop finally he realized it and came back and got me.

Megan: Did you ever go on Vacation with your family?

Mom: Yeah we went to Disney land, and um we went to lake powell some time. And Gobl-no Capital Reef somewhere down there, there's a tree with V.B + B.H.

Megan: Oooh..

Mom: Cuz that's when I was going with your dad.

Megan: Did you write that?

Mom: Yeah and then we our biggest vacation was Disney land, we went to Las Vegas, I remember going down into the parking lot all these big Black Limos and it as the Moffia when the moffia was stayed down there. And that's what that was.. that's all...

## Oral History: Interview Release Form

In view of the historical value of this oral history, I,

Bobbi Brown  
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knowingly and voluntarily permit Megan Brown  
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and Diane Carter the full use of this information for educational purposes.

Signature Bobbi Brown

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