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Personal Information

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Education

Ph.D., Ohio State University, Dept. of Political Science, 1976

University Fellowship, Ohio State University, 1969-1973

B.A., Washington University (St. Louis), History, 1969

Title of Ph.D. Dissertation

Welfare Policy in the Soviet Union: A Study in Regional Policy-Making

Academic Experience

Fulbright Lecturing/Research Award, Faculty of Regional Studies and International Affairs, Volgograd State University, 2004-2005

School of Public Affairs, Penn State Harrisburg, Associate Professor of Public Policy, 1987-present; Program Coordinator for Public Policy and Criminal Justice Undergraduate Programs, 1994-1998; Women's Studies Steering Committee, 1994-2004; Program Coordinator for Public Policy and Political Science programs, July 2001-2008; Co-Coordinator for Penn State wide internship program in Harrisburg for policy making and politics, 2006-2008, coordinator 2008-present.

Division of Public Affairs, Penn State Harrisburg, Assistant Professor, 1981-1987

Dept. of Political Science, Arizona State University, Assistant Professor, 1976-1981

Dept. of Political Science, University of Georgia, Visiting Lecturer, 1974-1975

Dept. of Political Science, Denison University, Visiting Lecturer, 1973-1974

Areas of Specialization/Teaching Interests

Soviet/Post-Soviet Politics/Russian Politics and Society
Women and Politics; Issues in Women's Studies; Women in Russia
Social Policy/Welfare Policy in the US

Articles in Refereed Journals

Nechemias, Carol. "Welfare Policies in the Khrushchev and Brezhnev Eras." *Social Science Quarterly* 59 (3): 562-569 (1978).

"Regional Differentiation of Living Standards in the RSFSR: The Issue of Inequality." *Soviet Studies* 32 (3): 366-378 (1980).

"The Impact of Soviet Housing Policy on Housing Conditions in the Soviet Cities: The Uneven Push from Moscow." *Urban Studies* 18: 1-8 (1981).

Bahry, Donna and Carol Nechemias. "Half Full or Half Empty?: The Debate Over Soviet Regional Equality." *Slavic Review* 40 (3): 366-383 (1981). Reprinted in *The Soviet Nationality Reader: The Disintegration in Context*, pp. 287-304. Edited by Rachel Denber, Westview Press, Boulder, CO (1992).

Nechemias, Carol. "Geographic Mobility and Women's Access to State Legislatures." *Western Political Quarterly* 38(1): 119-131 (1985).

"Changes in the Election of Women to U.S. State Legislative Seats." *Legislative Studies Quarterly* 12 (1): 125-142 (1987).

Evans, Alfred, Jr. and Carol Nechemias. "Changes in Soviet Rural Resettlement Policy." *Studies in Comparative Communism* 23 (2): 125-147 (1990).

Nechemias, Carol. "Democratization and Women's Access to Legislative Seats: The Soviet Case, 1989-91." *Women and Politics* 14(3): 1-18 (1994).

"Politics in Post-Soviet Russia: Where are the Women?" *Demokratizatsiya* 8 (2): 199-218 (2000).

Book Chapters

Nechemias, Carol. "Welfare in the USSR: Health Care, Housing and Personal Consumption." In *Public Policy and Administration in the Soviet Union*, pp. 172-206. Edited by G.B. Smith. American Society for Public Administration and Praeger, New York City, NY (1980).

Nechemias, Carol, and Donna Bahry. "The Soviet Union: Consumer Sector." In *Comparative Resource Allocation: Politics, Performance, and Policy*, pp. 101-126. Edited by A.J. Groth and L.L. Wade. Sage Publications, Beverly Hills, California (1984).

Nechemias, Carol. "Recent Changes in Soviet Rural Housing Policy." In *Contemporary Soviet Agriculture*, pp. 155-175. Edited by Kenneth Gray. Iowa State University Press, Ames, Iowa (1990).

"The Prospects for a Soviet Women's Movement: Opportunities and Obstacles." In *Perestroika from Below: Social Movements in the Soviet Union*, pp. 56-72. Edited by Judith B. Sedaitis and Jim Butterfield. Westfield Press, Boulder, CO (1991).

"Soviet Political Arrangements: The Representation of Women and Nationalities." In *The Impact of Electoral Systems on Women and Minorities in Comparative Perspective*, pp. 89-100. Edited by Wilma Rule and Joseph Zimmerman. Greenwood Press, Westport, CT (1994).

"Democratization without Women? Women's Participation in the USSR Congress of People's Deputies and Supreme Soviet." In *Women in Russia: Anthology of Papers from June 1993 Conference*, pp. 46-50. Edited by Elvira Yershova. Young Russia, Moscow (1994).

"Women's Participation: From Lenin to Gorbachev." In *Russian Women in Politics and Society*, pp. 15-39. Edited by Wilma Rule and Norma C. Noonan. Greenwood Press, Westport, CT (1996).

"Women and Politics in Post-Soviet Russia." In *Women in the Politics of Postcommunist Eastern Europe*, pp. 8-23. Edited by Marilyn Rueschemeyer. M.E. Sharpe, Armonk, NY (1998).

"Women in Russia: The Politics of Promoting Women's Issues." In *Medical Issues and Health Care Reform in Russia*, pp. 113-134. Edited by Vicki L. Hesli and Margaret H. Mills. Lewiston, NY: Edwin Mellen Press, New York (1999).

"Russia." In *The Greenwood Encyclopedia of Women's Issues Worldwide: Europe*, pp. 545-575. Edited by Lynn Walter. Greenwood Press, Westport, CT (2003).

"Women Organizing Women in the Russian Federation." In *The U.S. Women's Movement in a Dynamic and Global Perspective*, pp. 151-176. Edited by Lee Ann Banaszak. Rowman & Littlefield Publishers, Boulder, CO (2006).

"Preferences for Male or Female Bosses Among Russian and American University Students: The Sway of Modernity," pp. 217-221, In *Chelovek v sovremennykh filosofskikh kontseptsiiakh* (Human Being in Contemporary Philosophical Conceptions), Vol. 1, Proceedings of the 4th International Conference, pp. 217-221. Volgograd, Russia: Volgograd State University, 2007.

"Russian Women: Seeking a Place in Russian Society," Forthcoming in *Women and Politics around the World*, edited by Joyce Gelb and Marian Palley. ABC-CLIO Press, 2008.

Books

Noonan, Norma Corigliano and Carol Nechemias, editors. *The Encyclopedia of Russian Women's Movements*. Westport, CT: Greenwood Press, 2001. (Aside from editorial responsibilities, I am the sole author of the following six entries: Moscow Center for Gender Studies; Soviet Women's Committee; Women of Russia fraction; Charter of Solidarity; Anastatsiia Posadskaia; and the First and Second Independent Women's Forums held at Dubna)

Kuehnast, Kathleen and Carol Nechemias, editors. *Post-Soviet Women Encountering Transition: Nation-Building, Economic Survival, and Civic Activism*. Baltimore, MD: Woodrow Wilson Center and Johns Hopkins University Press, 2004.

Nonrefereed Articles

Nechemias, Carol. "A Report on the Plenary Session: Welfare State With Us Always?" *PS* 14 (4): 787-788 (1981).

"Plenary Sessions Offer Analysis and Humor." *PS* 15 (4): 634-637 (1982).

"Lasswell Symposium Honors Holsti, Kramer, and MacRae." *PS* 16(4): 730-733 (1983).

"Plenary Panelists Analyze Gender Differences in Politics." *PS* 16 (4): 733-737 (1983).

"Presidential Selection Reform Debated at Annual Meeting." *PS* 17 (4): 798-801 (1984).

"Lasswell Symposium Analyzes Political Language." *PS* 17 (4): 801-804 (1984).

"Prospects for Arms Control." *PS* 18 (4): 798-803 (1985).

"Reforming the American Political System." *PS* 18 (4): 803-807 (1985).

"Gaus Lecturer Kaufman Predicts Struggle Within Public Administration." *PS* 19 (4): 875-876 (1986).

"Lasswell Panelists Consider Integrity of Democracies When Defense Dominates." *PS* 19 (4): 877-879 (1986).

"Constitutional Aspects of Major Policy Controversies." *PS* 20 (4): 907-911 (1987).

"Sources on the Soviet Union." *The Political Science Teacher* 1 (2): 1-4 (1988).

"Perspectives on American Politics: Domestic and Foreign." *PS* 21 (4): 961-966 (1988).

"The End of Realignment?" *PS* 22 (1): 908-909 (1989).

"Penn State Professor Gets First-Hand Look at Dilemmas Facing Russian Women." *Dimensions* (a publication of Penn State's Downtown Center in Harrisburg), Winter 1993: 3,5.

Cook, Linda J. and Carol Nechemias, "Women in the Russian Duma, 1993-2004." In *Women in East European Politics*, pp. 33-46. Edited by Nida Gelazis. Washington, DC: Woodrow Wilson Center for Scholars, 2005.

Participation in Professional Conferences Since 1986

Nechemias, Carol. "Recent Changes in Soviet Rural Housing Policy." Paper presented at the Conference on Soviet Agriculture in Gorbachev's First Five-Year Plan: Opportunities Suggested by Comparative Experience, Kennan Institute for Advanced Russian Studies, The Wilson Center, Washington, D.C. April 3-4, 1986.

"Women's Recruitment to State Legislatures: The Uneven Pace of Change." Paper presented at the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, Illinois, April 1986.

Chair, Panel on "The Congressional Caucus for Women's Issues: Recent Developments." American Political Science Association, Washington, D.C. August 1986.

Discussant, Panel on "USSR: The Private Sector and the Human Factor." Eighth International Conference on Soviet and East European Agriculture, Berkeley, CA, August 1987.

Discussant, Panel on "Resource Allocations in Communist Systems." American Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, September 1987.

Evans, Alfred and Carol Nechemias. "Soviet Rural Resettlement Policy." Paper presented at the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, Boston, MA, November 1987.

Discussant, Panel on "Soviet Nationality Policy." American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, Honolulu, HA, November 1988.

Discussant, Panel on "Comparative Politics as Conveyed in Textbooks or The Introductory Course." American Political Science Association, Atlanta, GA, September 1989.

Chair, Panel on "Economic Reform in Socialism." American Political Science Association, Atlanta, GA, September 1989.

"The Prospects for a Soviet Women's Movement: Opportunities and Obstacles." Paper presented at the Mid-Atlantic Slavic Conference, Bryn Mawr, PA, April 1991 and at the Pennsylvania Political Science Association, Carlisle, PA, April 1991.

"Democratization and Women's Access to Legislative Seats: The Soviet Case, 1989-1991." Paper presented at the American Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, September 1992.

"Transition to Democracy: The Issue of Women's Participation." Paper presented at the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, Phoenix, AZ, November 1992.

"Democratization without Women? Women's Participation in the Congress of People's Deputies and the Supreme Soviet." Paper presented at the Russian-American Conference, Women of Russia: Yesterday, Today, Tomorrow, Moscow, Russia, June 1-5, 1993.

"The Politics of Identity: The Case of Contemporary Feminism." Paper presented at the American Political Science Association, Washington, D.C., September 2-5, 1993.

Discussant, Panel on "Women in Politics in Russia." American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, Honolulu, HA, November 17-21, 1993.

Bahry, Donna and Carol Nechemias. "The Role of Women and Economic Reform in the Russian Transition." Paper presented at the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April 14-16, 1994.

Discussant, Panel on "Russian Domestic Politics." Mid-Atlantic Slavic Association, Philadelphia, PA, March 19, 1994.

"The Women of Russia Movement: Charting New Territory." Paper presented at the American Political Science Association, New York, NY, September 1-4, 1994.

"The Women of Russia Movement: Success or Failure?" Paper presented at the University of Illinois Russian and East European Summer Research Laboratory Brown Bag Lectures, June 11, 1996.

Chair, Panel on "Bridge Over Troubled Waters: Women's Organizing Amidst Transitions to Market Economies," American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, Boston, MA, November 14-17, 1996.

"A Gender Analysis of Political Conduct: The American Case." Paper presented at the Petersburg Center of Gender Problems, St. Petersburg, Russia, March 19, 1997.

Roundtable participant, Panel on "Women in Post-Communist Russia," American Political Science Association, Washington, D.C., August 28-31, 1997.

"The Russian Women's Movement: Facing the Issue of Reproductive Rights." Paper presented at the American Political Science Association, Boston, MA, September 3-6, 1998.

Discussant, Panel on "Health and Social Protection." Conference on Making the Transition Work for Women in Europe and Central Asia, World Bank, Washington, D.C., June 7-8, 1999.

"Women in Politics in Post-Soviet Russia." Paper presented at the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, St. Louis, MO, November 18-21, 1999.

Chair, Panel on "Women's Organizations in the Russian Federation: Issues and Challenges," American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, St. Louis, MO, November 18-21, 1999.

"Women's Access to Regional Legislatures in the Russian Federation: Where Do Women Win?" Paper presented at the American Political Science Association, San Francisco, CA, August 30-September 2, 2001.

Chair and discussant, Panel on "Subnational Dynamics and Democratization," American Political Science Association, San Francisco, CA, August 30-September 2, 2001.

Nechemias, Carol and Ludmila Popkova, "Women's Political Activism and Post-Soviet Gender Culture in Russia," noontime lecture series, Kennan Institute, Woodrow Wilson Center, Washington, DC, February 11, 2002.

Nechemias, Carol. "Civil Society in Russia, The Women's Movement, and Media Response." Paper presented at the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, Pittsburgh, PA, November 21-24, 2002.

Discussant, Panel on "Society and the State: Nongovernmental Organizations in Russia Today," The American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, Pittsburgh, PA, November 21-24, 2002.

Cook, Linda and Carol Nechemias. "Women Parliamentarians in the Russian State Duma." Paper presented at the Women in East European Politics Conference, co-sponsored by the Kennan Institute and George Washington

University, April 23-24, 2004, Washington, DC.

Kuehnast, Kathleen and Carol Nechemias, "Post-Soviet Women Encountering Transition." Seminar and Book Launch, Woodrow Wilson Institute, May 25, 2004, Washington, DC.

Nechemias, Carol. "Women in Small Business in Volgograd: From Survival to Entrepreneurship." Paper presented at the REEEC-AWSS International Conference, Commodity, Consumer, Entrepreneur?: Women and the Marketplace, Russian, East European, and Eurasian Center, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, June 24-25, 2005.

"Post-Soviet Economic Conditions in Russia and the Experience of Women in the Marketplace." Workshop presented at the Summer Curriculum Development Workshop on Russia, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, June 25, 2005.

Discussant, panel on "Formulation of Social Policy in Russia's Regions: Is There Evidence of Civil Society's Participation?" World Congress of the International Council for Central and East European Studies, Berlin, Germany, July 27, 2005.

Discussant, panel on "Reflections on Women in Post-Communist Parliaments: A Comparative Research Project," World Congress of the International Council for Central and East European Studies, Berlin, Germany, July 29, 2005.

"Constructing Civil Society in Volgograd: An Emerging Post-Soviet Model?" Paper presented at the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, Washington, DC, Nov. 16-19, 2006

Discussant, panel on Civil Society in Russia: Grassroots Perspectives, American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, New Orleans, LA, November 15-17, 2007.

Grants

Fulbright Lecturing/Research Award, Faculty of Regional Studies and International Affairs, Volgograd State University, 2004-2005

Short-Term Research Grant, Kennan Institute for Advanced Russian Studies, Woodrow Wilson International Center, July 1-31, 1995. Project: "The December 12, 1993 Russian Parliamentary Election and the Women's Bloc: Fleeting Aberration or the Emergence of a Women's Movement?" \$2,480

American Political Science Association Research Grant, May-June 1995. Project: "The Women of Russia Movement: Year One in the Russia Duma." The award covered the cost of travel to Moscow. \$1,350

IRES International Research & Exchange Board, Short-Term Travel Grant Program, November 1994. Project: "The December 12, 1993 Russian Parliamentary Elections and the Women's Bloc: Fleeting Aberration or the Emergence of a Women's Movement?" \$1,680

Invitation from the Center for Social and Humanitarian Studies of Moscow State University to deliver lectures and engage in research on the contemporary status of women, May-June 1992, housing and a stipend provided.

The Pennsylvania State University Mini-Grant from Faculty Development Funds, Summer 1992, Project: "New Women's Organization in Russia." \$1,350

Title VIII Fellowship, The Hoover Institution's International Studies Program, February 1, 1990-April 30, 1990. Project: "Perestroika and the 'Woman Question'." \$3,000

The Pennsylvania State University Mini-Grant from Faculty Development Funds, Spring 1989. Project: "The Impact of

Glasnost' and Perestroika on Women's Issues." \$400

The Pennsylvania State University Mini-Grant from Faculty Development Funds, Spring 1986. Project: "University Towns and the Election of Women Official." \$800

Short-Term Research Grant, Kennan Institute for Advanced Russian Studies, Woodrow Wilson International Center, May 15-June 13, 1985. Project: "Soviet Rural Housing Policy."

The Pennsylvania State University Mini-Grant from Faculty Development Funds, Spring 1985. Project: "Women's Success in Capturing State Legislative Seats: Stability and Instability of Empirical Relationships Over Time." \$840

National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Seminar for College Teachers, "Soviet History Since 1917: Major Controversies," directed by Dr. Alexander Dallin, Stanford University, Palo Alto, CA, Summer 1985

National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Seminar for College Teachers, "Ethnic Groups and the State," directed by Dr. Paul R. Brass, University of Washington, Seattle, WA, Summer 1981

Major Service to the Profession, the University, and the Public (since 1981)

Service to Professional Societies

Member, Committee on the Status of Women in the Profession, American Political Science Association, 1981-1985

Member, Executive Board, Pennsylvania Political Science Association, 1992-1994

Member, Executive Board, Mid-Atlantic Slavic Association, 1994-1996

Member, American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies Board of Directors, American Political Science Association representative, 1996-

Member, American Political Science Association Area Studies Liaison Group, 1999-

Treasurer, Comparative Democratization Section of the American Political Science Association, April 2001-September 2001; Member-at-large of governing board of the Comparative Democratization Section, September 2001-2002.

Service to the University

Faculty Council, Capital College, 1982-1984

Organized Student Study Tours to the Soviet Union, 1987,1988,1989,1991,1992

Student Affairs Committee, 1985-1991; Chair, 1990-1991; Co-Chair, 2000-2001

University Senate, 1991-1995; University Research Committee, 1992-1995

International and Intercultural Committee, Co-Chair, 1994-1995

College Promotion and Tenure Committee, 1997-1999; 2006-2008

Chair, Sabbatical Committee, 1997-1998

Research Council, 1998-1999

Frequent member of School of Public Affairs Promotion and Tenure Committee, Search Committees

Member of Women's Studies Steering Committee, 1994-2004. Responsible for organizing many women's studies

programs on campus and received Student Activities Fee Grants to support theatre excursions, special speakers, attendance at Feminist Expo 2000 in Baltimore, and so on.

Active in organizing international programming, including: a wellness education program for visiting Hungarians and Russians in April 1989; the visit of a Leningrad school teacher for academic year 1990-1991 to get a Master's Degree in Health Education and for a Moscow State University professor to teach Russian politics and society at Penn State Harrisburg during fall semester 1991; co-author of a successful Fulbright proposal that brought a Mexican scholar to campus during spring semester 2000 in our women's studies program. I also have arranged many short-term visits by foreign scholars through Student Activity Fee Grants or other university funding.

Kathryn Towns Award, Penn State Harrisburg, 1999, for contributions to women's issues/women's studies

Service to the Community

Guest speaker for a variety of community organizations on themes related to Russia or to Women in Politics. Voice of America, Russian Service, participated in a radio call-in show-Talk to America in Russian--about the book I co-edited, *Post-Soviet Women Encountering Transition*, May 18, 2004. Guest speaker at Franklin and Marshall College and at Harrisburg Area Community College; conducted programs on Russia for Pathways Institute, which offers educational programming for senior citizens.

Numerous speaking engagements in Volgograd and Volzhsky, Russia, during academic year 2004-2005, while I was a Fulbright scholar at Volgograd State University.

References

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