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Born: March 12, 1931

Married to Marshall Goldman, Professor of Economics at Wellesley College and Associate Director of the Harvard Russian Research Center; four children.

Education

B.A. Sarah Lawrence College, 1953

M.A. Radcliffe, 1957 (member of Phi Beta Kappa)

Ph.D. Harvard University, 1964 (History and Far Eastern Languages)

Teaching Experience

Instructor in Far Eastern History at Wellesley College, 1963-64

Lecturer, Radcliffe Seminars, 1968-70

Professor, Department of History, Boston University, 1972-2001

Courses:

Premodern Chinese History
Modern Chinese History

Grants

Fellow at the Radcliffe Institute for Independent Study, renamed the Bunting Institute, 1964-66, 1976-77

Social Science Research Council, 1969-70

State Department, 1974-75

American Council of Learned Societies, Summer 1979, at Stanford Language Center in Taipei to upgrade spoken Chinese

Wang Institute Post-Doctoral Fellowship in Chinese Studies, 1984-85

Guggenheim Foundation, 1987-88

Professional Honors

Research Associate and member of the Executive Committee of the East Asian Research Center, renamed Fairbank Center for East Asian Research, at Harvard University, 1967--

Biennial lectures on Chinese History at Foreign Service Institute of U.S. Department of State, 1968

Accompanied the Delegation of American University Presidents to China as the China scholar, 1974

Member, Program Committee, American Historical Association, 1975

Member, Program Committee, Association of Asian Studies, 1976

Chairperson, New England China Seminar, 1976--

Member, Joint Committee on Contemporary China of the Social Science Research Council and the American Council of Learned Societies, 1976-81

Member, Liaison Committee, Social Science Research Council and American Council of Learned Societies, 1977-81

Member, Council on Foreign Relations, 1978--

Member, Delegation of Social Science Research Center and American Council of Learned Societies to investigate research facilities of American China scholars. My responsibility is twentieth-century Chinese history, December

1979.

Advisory Board, East Asian Division of Woodrow Wilson Center, Smithsonian Institution, 1980-81

Vice-President and President-elect of the New England Council of the Association for Asian Studies, 1983-84

President of the New England Council of Association of Asian Studies, 1985-86

Nominations Committee of the Association for Asian Studies, 1987-88

Trustee, Sarah Lawrence College, 1986-94

Board Member of Asia Watch, a division of Human Rights Watch, 1988--

Consultant to Harvard University Press, 1983--

Editorial Board, *The China Quarterly*, November 1991

Presidential Commission on Radio Asia established by Congress, 1992

Phi Beta Kappa Lectureship, 1992--

Public Member of the U.S. Delegation to the UN Commission on Human Rights, 1993

Final Selection Committee for Nieman Fellows at Harvard University, 1996

Final Selection Committee for Fellows at the Bunting Institute, Radcliffe College, 1995-96

Adjunct Professor, Foreign Service Institute of the U.S. State Department, 1998--

Books

Literary Dissent in Communist China, Harvard University Press, 1967; Atheneum paperback, 1970

China's Intellectuals: Advise and Dissent, Harvard University Press, 1981*; paperback, 1987

Sowing the Seeds of Democracy in China: Political Reform in the Deng Xiaoping Decade, Harvard University Press, 1994*; paperback, 1995

China: A New History. Enlarged Edition, coauthored with John K. Fairbank, Belknap Press of Harvard University Press, 1998

From Comrade to Citizen: The Struggle for Political Rights in China, Harvard University Press, 2005

*Selected as "notable books" by *The New York Times*, 1981 and 1994.

Edited Books

Editor, *Modern Chinese Literature in the May Fourth Era*, Harvard University Press, 1977; paperback, 1985

China's Intellectuals and the State: In Search of a New Relationship in the People's Republic of China, a Conference Volume, edited with an introduction, "Uncertain Change," Council on East Asian Publications, Harvard University, 1987

Co-editor, *Science and Technology in Post-Mao China*, Council on East Asian Studies, Harvard University, 1989

Ideas Across Cultures, Essays on Chinese thought in honor of Benjamin Schwartz, co-edited with Paul Cohen and introduction written with Paul Cohen, Harvard University Press, 1990

Fairbank Remembered, co-edited with Paul Cohen, Fairbank Center for East Asian Research, 1992

The Paradox of China's Reforms, co-edited with Roderick MacFarquhar, Harvard University Press, 1999

Historical Perspectives on Contemporary East Asia, co-edited, Harvard University Press, 2000

Intellectual History of Modern China, co-edited, Cambridge University Press, 2002

Changing Meanings of Citizenship in Modern China, co-edited, Harvard University Press, 2002

Grassroots Political Reform in Contemporary China, co-edited with Elizabeth Perry, Harvard University Press, 2007

Articles

"Hu Feng's Conflict with the Communist Literary Authorities," *Harvard Papers on China*, vol. 11, published by the Center for East Asian Studies, Harvard University (December 1957). Reprinted in *The China Quarterly*, October-December 1962.

"Re-educating the Literati," *Survey*, #28, April-June 1959.

"Writer's Criticism of the Party in 1942," *The China Quarterly*, January-March 1964.

Two biographies: Chou Yang and Hu Feng, for Project on Men and Politics in Modern China, Columbia University.

"The Fall of Chou Yang," *The China Quarterly*, July-September 1966.

"The Unique Blooming and Contending of 1961-62," *The China Quarterly*, January-March 1969. Reprinted in John Lewis, ed., *Party Leadership and Revolutionary Power*, Cambridge University Press, 1970.

"The Aftermath of China's Cultural Revolution," *Current History*, September 1971.

"Leftist Criticism of the Pai-hua Movement," in *Reflections on the May Fourth Movement: A Symposium*, edited and with an introduction by Benjamin I. Schwartz, Harvard University Press, 1972.

"The Role of History in Party Struggle," *The China Quarterly*, April-June 1972.

"The Chinese Communist Party 'Cultural Revolution' of 1962-1964," in *Ideology and Politics in Contemporary China*, edited by Chalmers Johnson, University of Washington Press, 1973.

"China in the Wake of the Cultural Revolution," *Current History*, September 1973.

"The Anti-Confucian Campaign of 1973-1974," *The China Quarterly*, September 1975. Reprinted in *Chinese Communist Affairs Monthly*, vol. 18, no. 16 (Dec. 5, 1975).

"China's Dissident Intellectuals," *Hearings of the Senate Committee on Government Operations on International Freedom to Write and Publish*, U.S. Government Printing Office, 1975.

"Teng Hsiao-p'ing and the Debate over Science and Technology," *Contemporary China* (East Asian Institute, Columbia University), vol. 2, no. 14, Winter 1978.

"The Media Campaign as a Weapon in Political Struggle," *Communication in the People's Republic of China*, edited by Godwin Chu and Francis Hsu, University Press of Hawaii, 1979.

- "Implications of China's Liberalization," *Current History*, September 1979.
- "Modern History," (with Paul Cohen) in *Humanities and Social Science Research in China* (N.Y.: Social Science Research Council, 1980).
- "The Political Use of Lu Xun," *The China Quarterly*, no. 91, September 1982.
- "Human Rights in China," *Daedalus*, Fall 1983.
- "The Political Use of Lu Xun," *Lu Xun and His Legacy*, edited by Leo Lee, University of California Press, 1985.
- "The Cultural Scene," *China Briefing, 1984*, edited by Steven M. Goldstein, Westview, 1985.
- "Intellectual Dissent in the People's Republic of China," *Power and Policy in the PRC*, edited by Yu-ming Shaw, Westview, 1985, 285-301.
- "Principled Intellectuals in the People's Republic of China," *Citizens and Groups in Chinese Politics*, edited by Victor Falkenheim, University of Michigan Press, 1987.
- "Religion in Post-Mao China," *The Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science*, January 1986, pp. 145-56.
- "The Legacy of the Cultural Revolution," *The Chinese Intellectual* (in Chinese), April 1986.
- "The Zigs and Zags in Culture," *China Quarterly*, April 1986.
- "The Party and the Intellectuals," *The Cambridge History of China, Vol. 14: The People's Republic, Part I: The Emergence of Revolutionary China 1949-1965*, Cambridge University Press, 1987, 2 chapters.
- "Comparison of Chinese and Soviet Reforms," with Marshall Goldman, *U.S. and the World Edition, Foreign Affairs*, January 1988
- "The Political Role of Literature and Intellectuals," *The Secret Speeches of Chairman Mao: From the Hundred Flowers to the Great Leap Forward*, ed. by Roderick MacFarquhar, Eugene Wu, and Timothy Cheek, Harvard University Press, 1989
- "China's Great Leap Backward," *Journal of Democracy*, vol. 1, no. 1, Winter 1990, 9-18
- "Which Way Will China Go?" *The Soviet Empire: The Challenge of National and Democratic Movements*, edited by Uri Ra'anana, Lexington Books, 1990, pp. 211-288
- "China's Sprouts of Democracy," *Ethics and International Affairs*, vol. 4, 1990, 70-90

Preface to Liu Binyan, "China's Crisis, China's Hope," Harvard University Press, 1990

"Hu Yaobang and the Theory Conference," *China Quarterly*, December 1990

"Hu Yaobang's Intellectual Network and the Theory Conference of 1979," *The China Quarterly*, June 1991

"The Intellectuals in the Deng Xiaoping Era," *State and Society in China*, ed. Arthur Lewis Rosenbaum, Westview, 1992, pp. 193-218

"To Leninism and Back," with Marshall Goldman, *From Leninism to Freedom*, ed. by Margaret Nugent, Westview Press, 1992

"China's Intellectuals in the Deng Era: Loss of Identity with the State," *China's Quest for National Identity*, ed. by Lowell Dittmer and Samuel King, Cornell University Press, 1993

"The Intellectuals in the Deng Era," *China and the Era of Deng Xiaoping: A Decade of Reform*, ed. by Michael Kao and Susan Marsh, M.E. Sharpe Inc., 1993.

"Zhongguo funu dui jiefang di xin guandian" (Chinese women's new views toward liberation), *Xingbie yu Zhongguo* (Gender and China), Beijing: Joint Publishing House, 1994.

"Mao Leadership and the Ideological Rectification Campaigns," in *Mao Zedong: Reassessing His Life and Legacy*, Occasional Papers No. 63, The Woodrow Wilson Center: Asia Program, 1994.

"Dissent in China after 1989," *The Oxford International Review*, Vol. VI, No. 1, Winter issue 1994.

"Is There a Chinese View of Human Rights," *MFN Status, Human Rights and U.S.-China Relations*, National Bureau of Asian Research-Analysis, Vol. 5, no. 1, July 1994.

"Is Democracy Possible?" China issue, *Current History*, Sept. 1995.

Chapter Nine of *Sowing the Seeds of Democracy in China* reprinted in *Wei Jingsheng: The Man and His Ideas*, edited by Yang Jian-li and John Downer, Foundation for China in the 21st Century, 1995.

Introduction to Dai Qing's *Piquant Essays: Chinese Studies in Philosophy*, Winter 1995-96.

"Politically-engaged Intellectuals in the Deng-Jiang Era: A Changing Relationship with the Party-State," *China Quarterly*, No. 145, March 1996.

"The Beginnings of Democratic Practices in China," *Washington Journal of Modern China*, Vol. 3, No. 1, 1996.

"The Importance of Human Rights in U.S. Policy Towards China," *Greater China and U.S. Foreign Policy*, ed. by Thomas Metzger and Ramon Myers (Hoover Press, 1996).

"China, Hong Kong and Human Rights," *The Hong Kong Transition and U.S.-China Relations*, National Bureau of Asian Research-Analysis, vol. 8, no. 3, June 1997.

"Confucian Influence on Intellectuals in the PRC," *Confucianism and Human Rights*, ed. William Theodore deBary and Tu Weiming, Columbia University Press, 1998.

"Emergence of Politically Independent Intellectuals in the Post-Mao Era," *The Paradox of China's Reforms*, ed. Merle Goldman and Roderick MacFarquhar, Harvard University Press, 1999.

"Searching for the Appropriate Model for the People's Republic of China" (co-author), *Historical Perspectives on Contemporary East Asia*, Harvard University Press, 2000.

"A New Relationship between the Intellectual and the State in the Post-Mao Era," *Intellectual History of Modern China*, Cambridge University Press, 2002.

"The Reassertion of Political Citizenship, Post-Mao Era: The Democracy Wall Movement," *Changing Meanings of Citizenship in Modern China*, Harvard University Press, 2002.

"China's Authoritarian Populists," *Yale Journal of International Affairs*, Volume 3, Issue 1, Fall/Winter 2006.

"The Future of China's Party-State," *Current History*, Vol. 107, No. 701, September 2007.

"Political Rights in Post-Mao China," *Key Issues in Asian Studies*, No. 2, Association of Asian Studies, 2007, pp. 77.

"The Phrase 'Democracy and China' is not a Contradiction," Asia Program, Woodrow Wilson International Center, 2006.

"Intellectual Pluralism and Dissent" (co-authored with Ashley Esarey), in *Political Change in China: Comparisons with Taiwan*, Lynne Rienner Publishers, 2008.

"Developing Human Rights in Post-Mao China," in *Insights on Law and Society*, American Bar Association, Winter, 2008.

"The 1989 Demonstrations in Tiananmen Square and Beyond: Echoes of Gandhi," in *Civil Resistance and Power Politics*, edited by Adam Roberts and Timothy Garton Ash, Oxford University Press, 2009, pp. 247-259.

"China's Beleaguered Intellectuals," *Current History*, September 2009, pp. 264-269.

"Repression of China's Public Intellectuals in the Post-Mao Era, Free Inquiry at Risk," in *Social Research*, Volume 76, no. 2, Summer 2009.

"The Impact of the June 4th Massacre on the Pro-Democracy Movement," co-authored with Jean-Philippe Beja, *China Perspectives*, No. 2009/2.

Articles in *The New York Review of Books*, *New York Times*, *Los Angeles Times*, *Boston Globe*, *The New Republic*, *World Monitor*, and other newspapers and magazines.

Awards

Radcliffe Graduate Medal for Distinguished Achievement, June 1981

The speech given at the award ceremony, "The Persecution of China's Intellectuals," was reprinted in *Radcliffe Quarterly* (September 1981), *Dissent* (Summer 1982), *Across the Board* (the Conference Board Magazine, May 1982), and *Science and the Making of the Modern World* (ed. John Marks, Heinemann, 1983).

Association of American Publishers, Professional and Scholarly Publishing Division, selected *Sowing the Seeds of Democracy in China* as the best book on Government published in 1994.

Alumni Citation for Achievement, Sarah Lawrence College, June 2003.