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EDUCATION:

Ph.D. 1969 Harvard University (French History); M.A., 1962
B.A. 1961 University of Washington (History)

POSITIONS, University of Connecticut:

July 2003- Active Retirement as researcher and as Historian of the School of Family Studies
1987-2003 Associate Professor, Human Development and Family Relations
(Joint Appointment in the Dept. of History)
1985-1986: Assistant Professor, Human Development and Family Relations
1979-1985: Director, Women's Studies Program and Assistant Professor
Human Development and Family Relations

FELLOWSHIPS & HONORS:

American Council of Learned Societies, 1983-84
Brown University, Pembroke Center for Research & Teaching on Women, Associate Fellow, 1983-84
Radcliffe Institute Scholar, 1970-71
Fulbright Scholar to Toulouse, France, 1965-66
Woodrow Wilson Fellow (1961)
Phi Beta Kappa (1961)

RESEARCH/TEACHING INTERESTS:

The History of the Family (including Family Violence) in European and American History
The History of Friendship in the European and American Enlightenment, 1650-1850
The History of Women
Religion and Family Life
Service Learning in Undergraduate Education

SCHOLARLY WORKS: DISSERTATION

Politics and Renaissance Educational Reform: Toulouse and the Founding of its Municipal Collège,
1500-1565 (1969)

BOOK:

With Richard D. Brown, *The Hanging of Ephraim Wheeler A Story of Rape, Incest, and Justice in Early America* (Cambridge, Mass.: Harvard University Press, 2003, pb. 2005).

http://www.hup.harvard.edu/reviews/BROHAN_R.html

ARTICLES/CHAPTER:

"Incest in the Archives: The Strange Case of Ephraim Wheeler," also with Richard D. Brown in, *Common-Place: A Common Place, an Uncommon Voice*, Vol. 1, No. 1, Sept. 2000 [E- journal, sponsored by the American Antiquarian Society and the Gilder Lehrman Institute of Early American History; <http://www.common-place.org/>]

"Women's Work of Devotion: Feasts, Fairs and Festivities," in, *Episcopal Women. Gender, Spirituality, and Commitment in an American Mainline Denomination*, edited by Catherine M. Prelinger, N.Y.: Oxford University Press, 1992, 239-262.

"Death, Friendship and Female Identity during New England's Second Great Awakening," *Journal of Family History*, 12 (1987), 367-387.

"Friendship and Spiritual Time in the Didactic Enlightenment," in, *Autre temps, autre espace: an other time, an other space, Etudes sur l'Amérique préindustrielle*, Elise Marienstras and Barbara Karsky, eds., Nancy: Presses Universitaires de Nancy (1986), 111-127.

"Women's Studies," chapter 28: *Good Reading. A Guide for Serious Readers*, ed. by Arthur Waldhorn, et al., 22nd ed., NY: 1985.

"Domesticity, Feminism and Friendship: Female Aristocratic Culture and Marriage in England, 1660-1760," *Journal of Family History*, 7 (1982), 406-424.

"Renaissance and Humanism," *The Encyclopedia of Education*, New York, 1971, VII, 498-510.

"The Renaissance in Education: William Harrison Woodward's Account of Humanism in the Reform," *History of Education Quarterly*, XI (1971), 303-17

"Philippe Ariès on Education and Society in Seventeenth- and Eighteenth-Century France," *History of Education Quarterly*, VII (1967), 357-368.

RECENT PAPERS & CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS:

"Kinship ties, family violence and family resilience: sketch of a complex relationships," Plenary Session: "Peaceable Kingdoms: Harmony and Hostility in the Early American Family," SHEAR Annual Meeting, Providence, R.I. July 22, 2004.

"Confession for Murder and Pleas for Forgiveness by a Mulatto Servant (1804)," University of Connecticut Humanities Institute Conference, "The Public and Private Uses of Violence," April 2003.

"Pardons Won and Pardons Lost: Narratives from Massachusetts, 1780-1820," American Historical Association Convention, Boston, January 5, 2001, jointly with Richard D. Brown.

"The Trial of Ephraim Wheeler," discussion in Early American History Seminar, Massachusetts Historical Society, Boston, Mass., Sept. 9, 1999, jointly with Richard D. Brown,

"Monster, Victim, or Sinner: Massachusetts Condemns Ephraim Wheeler for the Crime of Rape upon his Daughter Betsy," American Antiquarian Society, March 14, 1997, jointly with Richard D. Brown

"Family Violence and Community Justice in New England: The Case of Ephraim Wheeler, 1805-1806," New England Historical Association, Bristol, R.I., Oct. 19, 1996, jointly with Richard D. Brown

"Reflections on Multi-Disciplinarity and Intersubjectivity: Reading Interviews for Framing New Questions" [Based on a study of interviews of an old Jewish woman who recently immigrated to Connecticut from the Ukraine]. 13th International Human Sciences Research Conference, Hartford, CT, June 16, 1994

"Insights from Qualitative Interviews in a Multi-Disciplinary Study of Life Transitions," Gerontological Society Annual Meeting, New Orleans, November 1993.

"Sociable Individualists: Creative Tensions in the Friendship and Kinship Relations of the Enlightenment," Social Science History Association, Chicago, November 1992

"Spiritual Friendship and Reform in Angelina Grimké's, *Appeal to the Christian Women of the Southern States* (1836)," Organization of American Historians, Chicago, April 1992

"Enlightenment Friendship and Piety in the Works of John Dunton and Elizabeth Rowe," International Congress on the Enlightenment, Bristol, England, July 1991

"Friendship before Freud: Some Complexities of Spiritual Bonds and Boundaries," Groves Conference on Marriage and the Family, March 1991

"Friendship in Jonathan Edwards' *Life of David Brainerd* (1749)," New England Historical Association, October 1989

"Promoting Friendship in the Early British Enlightenment: the Publication Ventures and Writings of John Dunton, 1685-1710," American Antiquarian Society, Worcester, MA, April 1989

"'Forsaking Friends and Native Lands:' Early 19th-Century Female Missionary Motivation. Two Case Studies from Norwich, Connecticut," Eastern Connecticut State University Conference: "Southeastern New England: The Region's Troubled Corridor," April 1988

"Leisure, Prayer and Inclusive Friendship from Bunyan and Law to the Lowell Girls," American Academy of Religion, December 1987

"New England Women's Leisure and the Pursuit of Holiness, 1690-1845," Third International Conference on Time and Space: Leisure and Work in Preindustrial America, University of Paris VII, Centre de recherches historiques sur l'histoire des Etats-Unis, June 1987

"European Female Elites: 'Women Worthies' and their Friends from the Perspective of Feminist Scholarship," New England Historical Association, October 1986

BOOKREVIEW:

Industry of Devotion. Transformation of Women's Work in England, 1500-1660, by Susan Cahn, in: *Histoire Sociale/Social History*, XXI (1988), 373-375

The History of Childhood, Lloyd de Mause, ed., in *Renaissance Quarterly*, 30 (1977), 105-107

Parents and Children in History: The Psychology of Family Life in Early Modern History, by David Hunt, in, *Journal of Modern History*, 43 (1971), 305-308.

RECENT PROFESSIONAL SERVICE (University of Connecticut):

American Association of University Professors [UConn Chapter] Executive Board, 1996-2002
 University Senate Executive Committee, 1996-97; 1999-2002; University Senate Member, 1991-2002
 Associate Director, UCONN Honors Program, 1992-2002
 Institute for African American Studies, Faculty Advisory Council 1988-2002
 Judaic Studies Program, Faculty Advisory Council, 1986-
 Center for Oral History, Faculty Advisory Committee, 1996-

Other Service:

Connecticut Campus Compact, Steering Committee, 1998-2002
 Connecticut Coordinating Committee for the Promotion of History, 1983 –
 New England Historical Association, Executive Comm. 2004-