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Selected content outline follows, arranged by subject category:

### *Anarchism Interviews:*

#### Irving Abrams

Garment cutter, union organizer, and later attorney. Mr. Abrams was the last secretary of the "Pioneer Aid and Support Foundation", the organization which erected and maintained the monument to the executed Haymarket anarchists in the Waldheim Cemetery, in Chicago, IL. He was in his 80's when interviewed and is deceased.

#### Paul Avrich

Professor of History at Queens College, New York. He is widely respected as a scholar in the field of European and American anarchist history. His work include: *The Russian Anarchists*; *Kronstadt*; *An American Anarchist: Voltarine De Cleyre*; a book on the Ferrer *Modern School* movement; two forthcoming books are a biography of Alexander Berkman and an investigation into the Haymarket affair.

#### Sally Axelrod

Long-time resident of the anarchist-founded Ferrer colony at Stelton, New Jersey.

#### Abe Bluestein

Bluestein grew up and attended school at the anarchist-founded Ferrer Colony, at Stelton, New Jersey. As a young man, he was one of the few Americans to fight on the anarchist side during the Spanish Civil War. He worked in the propaganda department, preparing radio broadcasts, and was acquainted with Emma Goldman in her last years. He lived with Selma Bluestein for many years; they married as grandparents to secure their right to Social Security. Deceased.

#### Selma Bluestein

Grew up and attended school at the anarchist-founded Ferrer Colony at Stelton, New Jersey. She lived with Abe Bluestein for many years; they married as grandparents to secure their right to Social Security. Deceased.

#### Murray Bookchin

Anarchist theorist and philosopher, author of *Post-Scarcity Anarchism*, *Listen*, *Marxist*, and other works.

Fannie Breslau

Anarchist and organizer for the International Ladies Garment Workers Union in the 1920's and 1930's. Former member of the managing board of the Yiddish-Anarchist newspaper, Freie Arbeiter Stimme (Free Voice of Labor). Deceased.

Sophie Cohen

Anarchist, early I.W.W. member and organizer, participant in the famous 1913 Paterson silk strike. Deceased.

Joe Conason

Investigative reporter for the Village Voice; grandson of one of the important editors of the Freie Arbeiter Stimme, the main Yiddish-Anarchist newspaper, Joseph Cohen.

Ralph Coppola

One of the last students to attend the Ferrer Modern School in Stelton, NJ (it closed in 1951). His mother, Harmony Coppola, grew up at the anarchist-founded Ferrer Colony there.

Hillel Kempinski

Archivist of the Bund Archives of the Jewish Labor Movement, NYC. Deceased.

Clara Larsen

Anarchist and organizer for the International Ladies Garment Workers' Union from the teens through the 1940s.

Mel Most

His parents were active members of the I.W.W.

Harold Ostroff

Mr. Ostroff was the manager of the Jewish Daily Forward. His father was one of the most active anarchist organizers in the International Ladies Garment Workers' Union. Deceased.

Sara Rothman

Anarchist and organizer for the International Ladies Garment Workers' Union in the 1920's and 1930's. Member of the managing board of the Freie Arbeiter Stimme. Deceased.

Ahrne Thorne

Last editor of the Freie Arbeiter Stimme. Deceased.

Augustin Souchy

Director of propaganda and relations for the CNT-FAI (Spanish-anarchist organizations) in Barcelona during the Spanish Civil War.

Charles "Sasha" Zimmerman

Former manager of Local 22, International Ladies Garment Workers' Union, Mr. Zimmerman was a socialist, but worked closely with many of the anarchists in the ILGWU. Deceased.

Penny Allen

An independent filmmaker based in Portland, OR. Her best-known work is *Property*, a comic feature film about tenant organizing.

Marcos Alcon

A Spanish anarchist who was active in the Spanish anarchist organization the CNT and the FAI, during the Spanish Civil War. He went into exile afterwards, going to Mexico.

Arlene Amidon

Former member of the 1960s / early 1970s New York University anarchist student group, Transcendental Students ("TS"). Current occupation: psychotherapist.

Tim Bazemore

Worker/ member of Workers' Owned and Operated Sewing Company, Windsor, NC.

"Brand" (aka Enrico Arrigoni)

An individualist Italian immigrant anarchist, who has taken part in many of the important revolutionary uprisings of the 20th century, in Europe and Latin America, including the Spartacist uprising in Germany, the Spanish Civil War (in which he was arrested by Spanish police and freed by the intercession of Emma Goldman), an attempted assassination of Mussolini, the Patagonian rebellion in Argentina, and as recently as the revolution in Portugal in 1970. Deceased.

"Little John" John Broseghini

An independent trucker interviewed for *Anarchism in America*.

Proudhon Carbo

Same background as Alcon, # 2 this list.

Michael Carder

An anarchist and itinerant knife-sharpener in New England, Carder came to the United States from England to work for an international organization, we believe as an economist or some related professional capacity.

Noam Chomsky

Internationally renowned professor and theorist of linguistics and political activist and writer.

Malvine Cole

Vermont State representative active in the movement to decentralize energy production through local publicly owned utilities.

Ed Clark

1980 presidential candidate of the Libertarian Party.

Michael Coughlin

Individualist anarchist, operates a small press that has reprinted, among other things, Rudolph Rocker's *Nationalism and Culture*.

Larry Darby

Member of the Seattle Soup and Salad collective, which, among other things, operates collectively the Soup and Salad restaurant at Seattle's Pike Place Market.

The "Dead Kennedys"

A popular political American punk rock group, its record hits include: *Holiday in Cambodia* and *California Uber Alles*. Its member include: "Jello Biafra" (who ran for Mayer of San Francisco and received several thousand votes), "Klaus Fluoride", and "East Bay Ray", whose real names are: Roy Pepperell, Jeff Lyall, Eric Boucher.

Bill DeBery

Member of / anarchist Atkins Bay Farm commune (which has dwindled in membership from its heyday in 1960s/70s to himself and 3 other family members, as of 1980.) Married to Julia Reisenberg – DeBery.

Ed DeBery

Same background as Bill DeBery, # 16 this list. Bill DeBery's father, and owner of Atkins Bay Farm.

Julia Reisenberg-DeBery

Same background as Bill and Ed DeBery, # 16 & 17 this list. Married to Bill DeBery.

David DeLeon

Author of *The American As Anarchist*.

Lila Dudley

Same background as Tim Bazemore.

Ellen Earth

Same background as Larry Darby.

Carol and Howard Erlich

Anarchists who founded the Great Atlantic Radio Conspiracy, which produced news reports and other programming with an anarchist viewpoint for National Public Radio and some Pacifica stations.

Pietro Ferrua

Italian immigrant anarchist who is a professor of European literature, Lewis and Clark College, in Portland, OR. He was one of the main organizers of the first international symposium on anarchism, in 1980, which met at Lewis and Clark.

Steven Fischler and Joel Sucher

Independent filmmakers and producers of *Anarchism in America*, and *Free Voice of Labor – The Jewish Anarchists* (among other films), Fischler and Sucher have been making documentary films (through their company, formerly a collective, Pacific Street Films) since 1969. (For complete filmography, see their web site [www.psfp.com](http://www.psfp.com)). They are also former members of the New York University anarchist student group, "Transcendental Students".

Senya Fleshine

see "Mollie Steimer and Senya Fleshine, this list

Barbara Garson

Political activist and writer. She has contributed articles to such periodicals as Ms. She is also known for her satirical play *MacBird* (published and performed in the late 1960's, it was a send-up of Lyndon Johnson and the war in Vietnam), and anti Vietnam War organizing work among G.I.'s.

Audrey Goodfriend

Anarchist, veteran of the anti-draft movement (beginning with the Korean War), and a founder of an alternative elementary school in Berkeley, CA.

Father Geoffrey Gneuhs

A Catholic Worker-type anarchist and priest.

Sam Goodman

Anarchist who is organizing a reform movement in the Teamster's Union in Alaska.

Ed Hedaman

Anarchist and pacifist, staff person for the War Resisters League.

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Karl Hess

Anarchist writer, tax-resister, former Republican and speechwriter for Barry Goldwater. Deceased.

Julian Karpick

A Russian immigrant anarchist, now deceased. Karpick was a contributor to Russian anarchist journals and was also a member of the Union of Russian Workers, many of whose members were deported from the United States after the First World War.

“The Kinetics”

A Portland, Oregon-based punk-rock group which performed at the First International Symposium on Anarchism in 1980 in Portland.

Jay Kinney

One of the main cartoonists for “Anarchy Comix” – political comic books, but better-known for his work in the immensely successful “underground” comic book company, that produces “Zap Comix”.

Anne Kotell

Anarcha-feminist who began as right-wing libertarian.

Elaine Leeder

Anarcha-feminist.

Ursula LeGuin

Anarchist and popular science fiction novelist. Her work includes: *The Dispossessed*, a novel about an anarchist planet. She is also the daughter of the distinguished anthropologist Theodore Kroeber.

Dr. Arthur Lehning

A foremost authority on Michael Bakunin; editor of the complete works of Michael Bakunin.

Philip Levine

Anarchist and well-known contemporary American poet.

Leonard Liggio

Libertarian author associated with the libertarian “think tank”, the Institute for Humane Studies in San Jose.

Mildred Loomis

Anarchist exponent of the homesteading theories of Ralph Borsoti. Deceased.

Paul Mavrides

A cartoonist for the “Anarchy Comix” political comic book series.

Roland Moore

Member of the West River Basin Committee, an organization attempting to decentralize energy production in Vermont by utilizing flood control dams.

Bob Moriano

Former member of New York University anarchist student group, “Transcendental Students” (“TS”).

Don Meinhausen

A Libertarian who claims to have been an informant on SDS for the FBI in the late 1960's.

Philip Mellman

Jewish anarchist and I.W.W. member. Mellman served three years in San Quentin for violating California's criminal syndicalism act, in the 1920's. He is currently active in the counterculture and subculture of San Francisco. Deceased.

Ed Melvin

Retired stonecutter. He is interviewed at his home, and giving a tour of the cemetery (with its stonecut monuments), in Barre, VT. He reminisces about the Italian anarchists (Barre was one home to a large number of immigrant anarchists, who worked in its granite quarries.).

Joe Moro

Immigrant Italian anarchist and labor organizer, and former treasurer of the Sacco-Vanzetti Defense Committee.

Enrico Parente

Immigrant Italian anarchist, and labor organizer.

"The Neo-Boys"

Portland-based punk-rock group, which performed at the First International Symposium on Anarchism, in Portland, OR, in 1980.

Pat Ouilette

Anarchist-lesbian, coordinator of the Cambridge Food Co-op.

Michael Parkhurst

President of the Independent Truckers Association, and publisher of its magazine, Overdrive.

Grace Paley

Renowned anarchist and feminist poet and short-story writer, and anti-war activist.

Pasquale ("Patsy")

Immigrant Italian anarchist. Deceased.

Juan Gomez Quinones

Professor of Hispanic Studies, University of California, Los Angeles, who has done extensive research on the Mexican anarchist revolutionaries Ricardo and Enrico Magon and their activities in the United States and Mexico before the First World War. (Many people are not aware that there was an anarchists revolution in Baja California 1911, that anarchists controlled the area for 6 months, and that numbers of American anarchists joined the movement.).

"Raymond"

Russian anarchist immigrant (friend of Julian Karpick, see this list), and member of the Union of Russian Workers. Raymond was arrested and beaten during the Palmer Raids. Deceased.

Kenneth Rexroth

Anarchist and renowned contemporary American poet; Rexroth was acquainted with Emma Goldman, among other famous anarchists, during his long life. Deceased.

Elizabeth and Walter Rogers

Labor organizers and veterans of the southern labor movement in their 80's. They are socialists and have been living in New Orleans for the last 50 years. Elizabeth Rogers is also a song-writer. In addition to giving interviews, she sings some labor songs (some of them her own compositions) on these tapes.

Domingo Rojas

Same background as Alcon, see this list.

Hal Sears

Author of *The Sex Radicals*, which documents the 19th century individualist and "free love" movements, which included many important American individualist anarchists such as Moses Harman, and Angela and

Ezra Haywood.

“Spain”

Same background as Paul Mavrides, # 42 above.

Joel Spring

Well-known anarchist educational theorist and writer.

Mollie Steimer and Senya Fleshine

Anarchist activists who were in their 80's at the time of these interviews (both are now deceased). Steimer, defendant in the celebrated “Abrams Case” (one of the most important civil liberties cases in US legal history, it was the first important prosecution under the 1918 Espionage Act. The Supreme Court upheld the convictions of Steimer and her comrades, Jacob Abrams, Samuel Lipman, Hyman Lachovsky, and Jacob Schwartz, for giving out leaflets protesting American intervention in Soviet Russia.). She was deported from the United States to the Soviet Union in 1921. There, she met Senya Fleshine, then secretary to Emma Goldman (also an immigrant to the United States, he had not been deported to the Soviet Union, but had hurried back when the revolution broke out. He participated in the historic attack on the Winter Palace, and was acquainted with the Ukrainian anarchist general, Makhno.) . Steimer and Fleschine became “companieros”, and lived together for the next 60 years, although several times separated by war, revolution, and imprisonment. In 1923, they were both deported from the Soviet Union for their anarchist activities and protests against authoritarian rule. They lived in various places in Europe (mostly in Paris), until Nazism forced them to flee to Mexico in 1940, and where they stayed until the ends of their lives. Senya became a nationally-known photographer, assisted in his photographic studio by Mollie, under the name of “Semo” (or Senya-Mollie). Deceased.

Joel Sucher

see Steven Fischler, this list.

“Wavy Gravy”

A counter-culture character and Yippie was active in the 1960's. Deceased.

Kingsley Widmer

Anarchist author associated with the libertarian “think tank”, the Institute for Humane Studies at San Jose.