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NEXT MEETING
Monday, May 22
12 Noon
at Marina Jack
Please note this program is on a Monday.

**May Speaker: Carrie Seidman,
What Sarasota Will Be Debating in the Coming Year**

Sarasota Herald-Tribune opinion columnist Carrie Seidman shares her thoughts on what she sees as some of the top issues facing Sarasota in the months to come -- from the undermining of our public education system, public hospital and public honors college to the growing effort to preserve the Van Wezel Performing Arts Hall. Come with your questions and thoughts about what concerns you most and participate in a lively Q and A.

May Speaker: Carrie Seidman

About Carrie Seidman:

Carrie Seidman is an opinion columnist and dance critic for the Sarasota Herald-Tribune. She is also the creator, writer and host of the FACEing Mental Illness newsletter and podcast, which features stories from people with lived mental health experience. A graduate of the Columbia University School of Journalism and a daily newspaper reporter, critic and columnist for more than 40 years, she previously worked for the New York Times, Los Angeles Herald-Examiner, Albuquerque Journal and Albuquerque Tribune. In addition to her weekly column and mental health writing, Seidman is currently at work on a memoir, as well as a collection of essays about food. She is the mother of one son and a two-time breast cancer survivor who enjoys ballroom dancing, yoga and long distance walking/hiking.



Carrie Seidman

Amicus Personae - KAY KOCHENDERFER

Member of the Association of Retired Attorneys of Sarasota

Retired Law Partner from Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP

Sep 1986 – Dec 2013

I was a member of Gibson Dunn's Litigation Department, and its Antitrust, Securities and Class Action Practice Groups, based in the Los Angeles, California office before my retirement from the firm. I was named four times as one of California's Top Women Litigators by the California Daily Journal and eight times as one of Southern California's "SuperLawyers" by Los Angeles Magazine. I also was named a Fellow in the Trial Lawyer Honorary Society, Litigation Counsel of America. I had extensive experience in a broad range of complex business litigation, including defense of "bet the company" cases with multi-billion dollar potential exposure. My practice was focused on antitrust and securities and complex class action defense. I handled litigation involving a number of different industries across a wide range of products and services, including the automotive (Toyota and Nissan), semiconductor (Intel and Micron), software (BMC Software), energy (Sempra Energy, SoCalGas, San Diego Gas & Electric), healthcare (Aetna), airline (American), bicycle (Shimano), cruise line (Princess Cruises), and chemical industries (Union Carbide), among others.

Photography

2010 to date

It all started with a trip I did not want to take – a safari to Africa in 2010. My husband, as an inducement, purchased a "fancy" camera for me. Neither of us knew anything about cameras. Fortunately, the salesperson recommended getting a telephoto lens and that made all the difference. Even though I did not know a great deal about the camera yet when we went on our first safari, I had learned enough to capture a close-up photo of a gorgeous leopard up in a tree with virtually no branches up against a blue sky. That was it. I was hooked forever more. Since then I have zealously studied and practiced photography. You can see some of my photography at www.kaykochenderferphotography.com

Musician – Flute

I grew up playing the flute -- and studied music at UCR and USC. I also taught flute both privately and at Loma Linda University. I have not performed professionally since I started law school, but have performed occasionally for charitable events.

Board Service

Pasadena Symphony Association – 2010-2016 (Full Board, including terms as President of the Board)

Pasadena Symphony Association – 2016-2020 (Advisory Board)

AIDS Service Center – 2005-2010

Education

USC Gould School of Law - JD, Law -1983-1986 (Notes Editor, Southern California Law Review)

University of Southern California – Master's degree, Music – 1981-1983

University of California, Riverside – BA, Music – 1981 (Phi Beta Kappa)

Directory Update

You will be receiving an email with the current directory attached. Please review your entry and reply with any changes you would like to have made to it and we will make them. We hope to get the directory updated and into the publication process this month.

Thank you for your help!

Luncheon Payments

You may make payments on our website at the bottom of the page:
\$28 for lunch and/or \$55 for dues using PayPal at

www.retiredattorneysarasota.org

Or you may mail a check for the luncheon payment of \$28 payable to the
Association of Retired Attorneys of Sarasota, Inc.
Please send to: Ben Berman, 4223 Mackay Falls Terrace, Sarasota, Florida 34243

We are pleased to accept your payment by check or through our online payment option. Please get your luncheon payment to Ben prior to Wednesday of the luncheon week. After that Wednesday, no refunds can be given since the venue will have been notified of your intention to attend.

Please note the following dates for the next luncheons:

Monday, May 22
Friday, June 23
Friday, September 22
Friday, October 27

We look forward to seeing you at Marina Jack at noon on the above dates.

Ideas for Future Programs?

The Program Committee is always receptive to ideas for future programs. If any member has a topic or a speaker to suggest, please contact Harold Zabin at hpzabin@aol.com or Jim Case at JamesWCase1968@gmail.com .

Any member interested in participating in the Program Committee should contact Harold Zabin or Jim Case at the addresses above.

NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS

If you have items of interest to the members, please forward them to

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