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NEXT MEETING

Thursday, April 18

12 Noon
At Marina Jack

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April Program:

**The War in Ukraine:
What do the Russians really want?
What would they accept?
What could we accept?**

Dr. Robert Barylski will be the speaker.

About Our Speaker – Dr. Robert Barylski

Dr. Barylski was educated at Brown and Harvard University where he earned his graduate degrees in Russian studies and Political Science. He has published extensively on Russian military affairs and Russia's relations with the Muslim world. He and his family moved to Sarasota in 1979. His late wife, Irene, taught at Pine View and he held administrative and academic positions at New College and USF.



Amicus Personae – Richard Weingarten

Member of the Association of Retired Attorneys of Sarasota

Rich was born in The Bronx, N.Y. to Eastern European immigrant parents. After attending Stuyvesant H.S., CCNY, and St. John's U. Law School, where he was an Associated Editor of the Law Review, he spent 53 years in the practice of law as a trial lawyer engaged in every facet of commercial litigation, later specializing in securities matters and class actions.

Following employment as an Associate with: Root, Ballantine, Harlan, Bushby & Wood; Cravath, Swaine and Moore; and Wittenberg, Carrington & Farnsworth, interspersed with a 2-year tour of active duty during the Korean War as an USAF Assistant Staff Judge Advocate, he was a member of: Gerwin, Ehrenclou, Weingarten & Kessler; Weingarten, Madden & Levien; and Weingarten, Weingarten & Kaplan; and finally Of Counsel with DelBello, Donnellan, Weingarten, Wiederkehr & Weiss. All the firms were in New York where he was admitted to practice in its State and Federal Courts; he was also admitted *pro haec vice* to try cases in other states. He was counsel in several leading cases involving obscenity, securities, arbitration, and bankruptcy law.

Spare time, he served as: Yonkers (NY) Trial Commissioner; Chair, Yonkers Citizen's Committee to Combat Obscene & Pornographic Literature; Chair, Westchester (NY) County Democratic Party; Adjunct Professor, LIU Graduate School of Community Health & Health Administration; Yonkers City Court Judge; Special Referee and Master, NY Supreme Court; Executive Director, Yonkers IDA; and retired as a Lt. Col. after 26 years of service in the USAFR.

Rich and spouse Rita started snow birding to Pelican Cove in 1994, becoming permanent residents in 2005. Early on he was befriended by Judge Jim Schoener, another Pelican Cove resident who was then President of ARAS and one of its founders. He got Rich to join and the two of them entertained the membership more than once with debates on current legal issues. One of the most memorable considered legalization of marijuana with Jim- anti and Rich-pro, when Rich screened scenes from the old movie Reefer Madness to support his argument. His most valued honorifics are Dad and Gramps. He and Rita, his spouse of 72+years, currently reside at Aviva Senior Living in Sarasota. With 3 sons, 13 grandchildren and 1 great grandbaby all elsewhere, following and encouraging their strides is a savored occupation.

2024 Dues Paid
As of March 31, 2024

Andreos, Roberto	Levene, Samuel K.
Barthold, Gaele M.	Liner, David
Bass, Stanley A.	Lundy, Daniel F.
Bennett, Jim	Lynn, Diana N.
Berman, Benjamin I.	Malawsky, Donald N.
Berry, Steven C.	Mason, Karen
Bruning, Richard	McCarthy, Robert E.
Calhoun-Morton, Roberta	McClure, Ann
Case, James W.	Meade, Richard
Chase, Gary	Meltzer, Philip
Cload, Lisbeth	Miller, Candice
Coch, Nicholas L.	Miller, David G.
Cohen, David Martin	Moltz, Ira
Cohen, David Michael	Moses, Charles
Collins, Mildred S.	Nefussy, Eli M.
Crowley, Joan	Peirce, George
Dawson, Diana S.	Polelle, Michael
Dubbs, Thomas	Poriss, Emily
Dugan, Janet R.	Raimi, Burt
Eliasberg, Jr., Edward D.	Roberts, Geraldine
Foster, Robert	Robinson, David
Fried, Martin L.	Rubin, Ivan
Frigo, Victoria	Schneider, Tobi
Galica, Kathleen	Schnieder, Joan
Golden, Michael	Schwinn, Christina H.
Goldrich, David	Shults, Thomas
Gopstein, Israel	Smith, Ronald C.
Gordon, Stanley	Snyder, David S.
Greenberg, Carl	Spahn, Elizabeth
Heckman, Chris	Starr, Judith
Helmrich, Joel	Sturm, Steve
Herring, William W.	Tschirhart, Paul M.
Hill-Harvey, Karimu	Weingarten, Richard L.
Hoffman, Nancy	Williams, Sandra
Humphreys, Philip	Wolfe, Robert L.
Hurd, Gordon	Zabin, Harold
Hyatt, Ronald	
Katz, Barbara	
Kidd, John E.	
Kochenderfer, Kay	
Krasnow, Michael E.	
Krause, Benjamin D.	

Future Programs

April 18, 2024. Dr. Robert Barylski, Retired associate professor in the Department of Government and International Relations at USF Sarasota and former Dean of the University: "The War in Ukraine: What do the Russians really want ? What would they accept ? What could we accept ?"

May 31, 2024. The Hon. Diana Moreland, Chief Judge of the 12th Judiciary Circuit of Florida: "Protecting The Quill";

June 28, 2024. Tom Shults, Attorney and member of the Retired Lawyers of Sarasota who represented the Sarasota Alliance For Fair Elections: "The History of Elections in America."

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
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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, FL 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:

Thursday, April 18
Friday, May 31
Friday, June 28
Friday, September 27

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

What Do Retired Attorneys Do?

We hope you enjoyed the inaugural column by Ben Berman about his trip on Route 66. Now it's your turn! We are soliciting items, which can be as short as one paragraph if you like, talking about a past-time of yours that may be of interest to our membership. Please send your idea to retiredattorneysofsarasota@gmail.com

We look forward to hearing from you!

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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