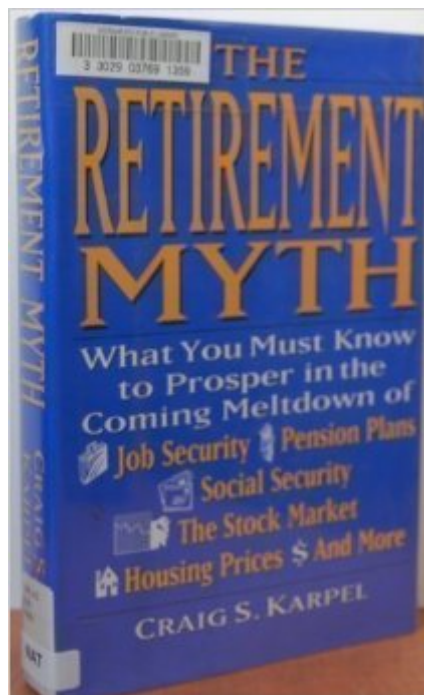


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what I have.

I have read this book three times and taken detailed notes. After 11 years it is still the best book about the impending Boomer retirement crisis and how to prepare. Very well written and funny. This book is an absolute must read regardless of your age.

This has a lot of good information in it. I already knew a lot of it, but they explain it very well. If you don't believe the main stream media about what you need for retirement, read this book and get the real facts. Bust the myths and start making the RIGHT plan to retire.

The Retirement Myth is a good book. The silver bullet theory is a real eye opener. By the way, this book can be used by all generations of people. Mr Karpel does a good job in incorporating much data into his book. He does a great job dissecting the three legged stool and says we need to incorporate a fourth leg. A j-o-b. Some points in his book are debatable such as employers providing resources to "old" people so they do not become "outdated". Clearly it is the responsibility of each individual to continually add to their skills. Alas, Mr. Karpel then proceeds to indicate the stock market as the future for investment income. This is ironic because he states how the "market" will be affected by the baby-boomers. He should have asked for a co-author for ideas on how to sure up income for the future. A great book for that is Richest Man in Babylon. Mr. Karpel does get his point across about retirement being a myth. Now one must continue to read to learn more on how to prepare for the future.

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