

# League of Railway Industry Women Program Schedule



Held in Conjunction with **Railway Interchange 2017**  
September 17-19 | Indianapolis, Indiana  
Indianapolis Convention Center

## Sunday, September 17

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### Railway Interchange General Schedule

9:00 AM – 5:00 PM Event Registration  
1:00 PM – 5:00 PM Exhibit Hall Open  
Reception 3:30 – 6:00pm

## Monday, September 18

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6:45 AM - 6:00 PM Event Registration  
7:30 AM –8:50 AM General Session & Keynote  
8:50 AM - 9:20 AM Coffee Break (500 Ballroom)  
9:30 AM - 6:00 PM Exhibit Hall Open  
Lunch 11:30am – 1:30pm, Reception 4:30 – 6:00pm

### LRIW Conference Sessions

Room 134

- 7:30 AM** **Railway Interchange General Session & Keynote Address**  
LRIW Outstanding Woman of the Year presentation
- 9:00 AM** **LRIW Annual Conference Welcome Reception**  
Coffee, tea, and light refreshments served
- 9:30 AM** **How to Break Barriers and Excel in the Rail Industry**  
*Speaker: **Susanne M. Manaignre**, Vice President – Canada, Network Rail Consulting*
- 10:30 AM** **Break**
- 10:45 AM** **Regulatory Affairs, A Critical Component in Railroad Business**  
*Speaker: **Tanis Peterson**, Director, Operations and Regulatory Affairs, Railway Association of Canada*
- Regulatory affairs is an essential component for a successful business structure and strategy. Due to constantly increasing regulatory obligations, new and changing requirements, as well as the globalization of transportation, the demands and responsibilities of regulatory roles are becoming more and more complex. Tanis will briefly discuss the important role regulatory affairs plays in our industry as well as highlighting the core qualities the regulatory professionals require to excel.



*Susanne M. Manaignre*



*Tanis Peterson*

## Changing Regulations Affecting the Rail Industry

Speaker: **Nicole Brewin**, VP of Government Affairs, Railway Supply Institute

Get the scoop on Federal legislation and regulations affecting our important job producing industry that is critical to our infrastructure. What policies are helping our industry succeed and which one are hindering our growth? Find out what you can do to help tell the story of rail and how it has improved your community to your elected officials.



*Nicole Brewin*

**12:00 PM Lunch - Exhibit Hall**

**1:00 PM Women in Rail, Using Tools and Influence to Succeed**

Speaker: **Coree Cuff Lonergan**, Associate Director, Infrastructure Maintenance, Network Rail Consulting.

As we have recently learned from such movies as “Hidden Figures”, when given the opportunity, women have played pivotal roles in advancing science and technology in North America. Although not equally represented in STEM fields, women have a unique perspective and can bring forth commanding arguments and insights often overlooked by their male counterparts or homogenous groups. This session will explore what tools women can use to have their opinions, ideas, and contributions heard and acted upon, when they are outnumbered and perhaps undervalued. It will explore strategies on how to turn the most resistant to your ideas, into an ally and even into a champion. The session will also examine how to leverage personal tugs, such as family responsibilities, often seen as career impediments, into career advantages. Lastly, the session will review success stories of women, who have successfully managed their careers, using these very strategies over a variety of industries.



*Coree Cuff Lonergan*

**2:00 PM Break**

**2:15 PM LRIW Annual Membership Meeting**

Chair: **Jodi Heldt**, LRIW President

LRIW Outstanding Member of the Year Presentation

**3:30 PM Women Business Owners in Rail – Panel Discussion**

Panel:

- **Mary Proc**, Vice President, Customer Service Delivery, Metrolinx and 2015 Outstanding Woman of the Year
- **Carrie Budde**, Budde Enterprises
- **Sally Boven**, CEO of Reflective Apparel Factory
- **Jessica Kramer**, President & CEO Diesel Supply Co., Inc.

Personal and professional development round table discussions



*Jodi Heldt*

**6:15 PM LRIW/AREMA #WomenInRail Reception**

Celebrating the LRIW’s 20th Anniversary – Back to the Future

Special guest Anamaria Bonilla, 2016 Outstanding Woman of the Year



*Anamaria Bonilla*

## Tuesday, September 19

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### Railway Interchange General Schedule

7:00 AM – 2:00 PM Exhibition / CMA Registration

8:00 AM–10:00 AM Exhibit Hall Breakfast

8:00 AM – 3:00 PM Exhibition Open (Final Day)

Breakfast 8:00am – 10:00am, Lunch 11:30 – 1:30pm

### LRIW Conference Schedule

Room 134

#### **8:30 AM Own Your Career – 3 Secrets to Advancement**

*Speaker: **Shavon Lindley**, Co-Founder and CEO Women Evolution*

An exploration of what Shavon has learned after interviewing over 150 female executives to discover how they could get ahead while staying true to themselves. What Shavon discovered was that all these successful women shared 6 common pillars of leadership. During this interactive session, Shavon will share 3 specific strategies detrimental to their advancement.



*Shavon Lindley*

#### **10:00 AM Break**

#### **10:15 AM Great Minds Think Unalike**

*Speaker: **Shavon Lindley**, Co-Founder and CEO Women Evolution*

A powerful conversation designed for men and women at all levels to understand how to build a Gender Intelligent culture. It digs into the neuroscience behind how men and women are different and how this plays out in the workplace. Shavon also dives deep into the biggest blind spot that is sabotaging the success of your current initiatives and exactly what is needed to build a successful women's leadership program.

#### **11:30 AM Lunch - Exhibit Hall**

#### **1:30 PM Facility Tour**

*Indiana Railroads Intermodal Terminal*

Join us and gain first-hand knowledge of a state of the art intermodal facility. This educational tour will be hosted by the Indiana Railroad at their Senate Street location; round trip transportation will be provided from the convention center. In 2013, Indiana Rail Road and CN created an entrepreneurially-minded and unique intermodal partnership. Based on customer request, the two companies inaugurated "all-rail" movement of trans-Pacific containerized freight to/from the West Coast Canadian ports of Prince Rupert and Vancouver, B.C. The service has enjoyed year-over-year volume growth of more than 25 percent. Based on last port-of-call service, total transit from major Asian ports such as Shanghai and Qingdao, China, or Busan, South Korea to Indianapolis averages less than 22 days via Prince Rupert and 25 days via Vancouver.

#### **4:00 PM Adjourn**

**LRIW Annual Conference in Conjunction with Railway Interchange 2017**  
**LRIW will reconvene at RSI/CMA 2018 Rail Expo & Technical Conference, Nashville, Tennessee**