

**Please join us on February 10, 2026**  
**Our guest speaker**  
**will be**  
**Karen Hedlund / STB**

***Held at The Union League Club of Chicago***  
***65 West Jackson Blvd / Chicago, IL***

***Complimentary Cocktails 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm***  
***Dinner: 6:00 pm***

Karen J. Hedlund was sworn in on January 3, 2022, as a member of the Board for a term of office expiring on December 31, 2025, following her confirmation by the United States Senate on December 16, 2021. Karen was named Vice Chairman of the Board on January 9, 2023 and on January 9, 2024.

Karen served in the Obama Administration as Chief Counsel of the Federal Highway Administration from 2009 to 2010, and as Chief Counsel and Deputy Administrator of the Federal Railroad Administration from 2010 to 2014. Since stepping down from that position, Karen has advised governmental authorities and private investors on the development of passenger rail and transportation-oriented development projects.

Prior to joining the FRA, Karen had a long career as a legal advisor to governmental agencies and private lenders and investors on the development of a broad range infrastructure projects across the United States, including rail, transit, highways, airports, water and energy facilities.

Karen practiced with leading national law firms in Chicago, Los Angeles and Washington, D.C. She is a graduate of Harvard University (AB) and Georgetown University Law Center (JD). Karen has two children and two grandchildren in Brooklyn, NY, who love to ski and hike with her near her home in Colorado.

**To make reservations, call Lorie Mochel at 847-877-1514**

**Or email: [wrclub13@comcast.net](mailto:wrclub13@comcast.net)**

**Members price is \$130.00 pp**

*(company membership allows guests at the same price)*

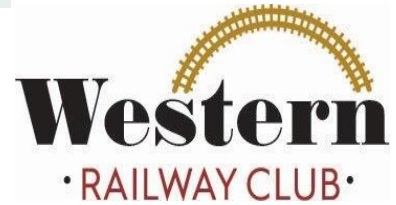
**Non-members cost for the dinner is \$175.00 pp**

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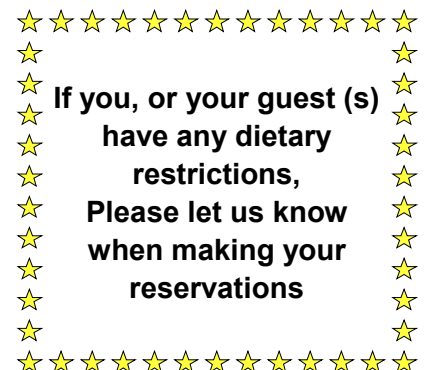
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***No cancellations after***  
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**\*\* Save the date: March 10, 2026**

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