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## 12/21/2009 Management **Expert Linda** Tarr-Whelan to Speak Jan. 13

## **Quick Facts**

Linda Tarr-Whelan will discuss her new book "Women Lead the Way" on Wednesday, Jan. 13. Tarr-Whelan is a noted strategist/management expert and former ambassador to the U.N. Commission on the Status of Women.



ROCK HILL, S.C. - Linda Tarr-Whelan, former ambassador to the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women, will discuss her new book "Women Lead the Way: Your Guide to Stepping Up to Leadership and Changing the World" on Wednesday, Jan. 13.

A noted author, speaker, strategist and management expert, Tarr-Whelan will speak from 1-2:30 p.m. in Plowden Auditorium. The lecture is free and open to the public.

Linda Tarr-Whelan Tarr-Whelan is the former managing director of Tarr-Whelan & Associates, Inc., an international management consulting firm. As CEO and president, she built the

Center for Policy Alternatives (CPA) into the leading state progressive policy and leadership center over 14 years. She initiated and led CPA national policy campaigns and Leadership Institutes for elected leaders and created a decade-long bipartisan and multicultural research and communications initiative, "Women's Voices," and two economic summits regarding the role of women and the economy with the White House in 1997 and at 11 Downing Street Summit in London in 1999.

She also leads the Women's Leadership Initiative, a multi-year project of Demos, a non-partisan public policy research and advocacy organization headquartered in New York City. WLI provides a platform to discuss the poor numbers of women in the nation's top leadership position and address the realities that limit women's abilities to assume leadership roles.

In the past, Tarr-Whelan also served as deputy assistant to President Jimmy Carter in the White House, director of government relations and chief lobbyist for the National Education Association, the administrative director of the New York State Department of Labor, Director of AFSCME-NY and created the AFSCME Public Policy Department.

She began her career as a nurse and holds a B.S.N. from Johns Hopkins University, an M.S. from the University of Maryland and an honorary Ph.D. in public service from Chatham College and an honorary Ph.D. (humane letters) from Plymouth State University. Tarr-Whelan lives in St. Helena Island, S.C., with her husband Keith.

For more information about the Jan. 13 lecture, contact April Gordon at 803/323-4659 or gordona@winthrop.edu.

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