



Bio

Donna McAleer is an inspirational speaker specializing in leadership, team building, strong role models, and boundary breaking. The award-winning author of *Porcelain on Steel: Women of West Point's Long Gray Line*, has studied and practiced leadership for more than twenty years as a West Point graduate, Army Officer, business leader, and non-profit executive.

Following a successful career as a corporate Vice President, Donna moved on to become an Executive Director for the non-profit, People's Health Clinic. She then left the organization to pursue a lifelong dream of making the United States Olympic Women's Bobsled team. After the 2002 Winter Olympic Games, Donna dedicated her time to service in her community, served on three alumni boards at West Point, and became a founding member of Journeys Within Our Communities.

Donna is a PSIA and ACE Level 2 certified ski instructor at Deer Valley Ski Resort in Park City, Utah, and served on the board of directors of the Professional Ski Instructors of America – Intermountain Division.

Speaking Topic

Donna's thought-provoking, engaging leadership presentations help individuals consider their personal leadership skills in a new framework. Donna helps listeners think about their own leadership skills. She also helps her audience gain insight into the core elements of strong leadership, the dynamics and interactions of leaders within organizations who improve and become stronger, and the unique and distinct leadership styles between men and women.

In her presentation, Donna shares nine proven leadership principles formed by men and women who lived and died through their leadership. She teaches the significance of these principles and their application in the corporate and business world, giving an organization the knowledge necessary to strengthen their core leaders' abilities, create and refine personal leadership philosophies and styles, and understand the passion and leadership skills required to excel.

Media:



Military Writers Society of America, Army Magazine, and New York Times and Washington Post

Testimonials

"Donna has a rich history of experiences and insights that she shared with her audience for business application. She was able to take examples from her book and challenge our group. Donna made a great connection, was fully committed, and had a comfortable way of delivering her message."

Steve Cesler,
VP Customer Business Development,
Proctor & Gamble

"Donna is a magnificent presenter, panelist, and speaker. All of her comments were thought provoking and generated good debate and discussion. Her responses were thoughtful, seasoned, and often times, provocative, which is exactly what we want to get our students thinking."

Richard W. Scheider,
President, Norwich University,
RADM, USCGR (Ret.)

The very success of the 4th Annual Nevada Women Veterans Summit rests in caliber of our guest speakers and their moving, poignant and insightful presentations. Donna McAleer not only discussed the importance of team work in the military but in our personal life as well. Her speech was captivating, motivating and inspirational!"

Carole Turner
Deputy Director,
Nevada Office of Veterans Services