

LEADINGAGE NEWS CONFERENCE Wednesday, June 17, 12 p.m. by ZOOM

SPEAKER INFORMATION

Katie Smith Sloan, President and CEO, LeadingAge, Washington, DC

Guided by the mission to be the trusted voice for aging, Sloan advances the organization's strategic priorities to increase impact through advocacy, enhanced member value and generates ideas to improve our current system of services and supports. As LeadingAge's President and CEO, Katie Smith Sloan seeks common ground with other stakeholders to address ageism and to promote innovation.

Sloan also serves as the executive director of the Global Ageing Network, an organization with a presence in over 50 countries committed to improving the quality of life for people as they age throughout the world.

Sloan serves on the Board of Directors of the Centre for Aging and Brain Health Innovation (CABHI) based in Toronto, HelpAge USA, the Long Term Quality Alliance (LTQA) and ValueFirst, a group purchasing company serving the aging services field. She is also co-chair of Dementia Friendly America, a multi-sector national collaborative with a mission to foster dementia friendly communities.

Sloan has a master's degree from the George Washington University and a bachelor's degree from Middlebury College.

COL (Ret.) Paul W. Bricker, Chief Operating Officer, Army Distaff Foundation and Knollwood, Washington, DC

Colonel (Retired) Paul Bricker became the Army Distaff Foundation and Knollwood Chief Operating Officer in May 2017. Knollwood is Life Plan Community which serves former officers of the Uniformed Services—Army, Navy, U.S. Marine Corps, U.S. Air Force, U.S. Coast Guard, Public Health Service and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration—and their families, and Americans who have served as high ranking government officials in cabinet level agencies of the National Security Council.

Paul retired from the Army after over 28 years of distinguished service culminating in his assignment as the Chief of the US Army's Senate Liaison Division with their Office of Congressional and Legislative Affairs. Prior to his service on Capitol Hill, he served as the 2010-2011 Army Senior Fellow at Harvard University's Weatherhead Center for International Affairs in Cambridge, Massachusetts.

In addition to his service on Capitol Hill, Paul served as a combat commander in Afghanistan, at the battalion and brigade level, while assigned to the storied 82nd Airborne Division. He also served as the Chief of Aviation for the XVIIIth Airborne Corps in Iraq; in the Pentagon on the Army Staff as the Strategic Planning Division Chief, Office of the Chief of Army Public Affairs; on the Joint Staff in the Special Operations Directorate; and as the Aide de Camp to the Vice Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Stephen P. Fleming, President and Chief Executive Officer, The Well•Spring Group, Greensboro, NC

The Well•Spring Group is a multi-modal aging services provider serving over one thousand individuals and their families. Services provided by Well•Spring include; Life Plan Communities, Adult Day programs, caregiver educational services, Home Care, PACE (Program for All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly) and Management Consulting Services. Fleming is a member of the LeadingAge board of directors and is its immediate past Chair. He is Chair of the Appalachian State University's Beaver College of Health Sciences Advisory Board, Past Chair of LeadingAge North Carolina, and the North Carolina State Board of Examiners for Nursing Home Administrators. Fleming is active with the Greensboro Airport Rotary Club and is a Past President. He received a BS in Public Health, from UNC-Chapel Hill, an MBA from Appalachian State University, and a Graduate Fellowship in Strategic and Financial Planning from Harvard University. Fleming is a frequent speaker on older adult and aging services issues, including a sought-after keynote at LeadingAge state affiliate annual meetings. Throughout his 34-year career in aging services he has mentored more than a dozen young adults who eventually became aging services professionals.