



About Sue L. T. McGregor:

Sue McGregor (PhD, Professor Emerita) is a Canadian home economist (nearly 50 years) recently retired from Mount Saint Vincent University. She is one of the first 10 people to receive the International Professional Home Economist (IPHE) certification from IFHE. She has a keen interest in home economics philosophy and leadership (as well as consumer studies, transdisciplinarity, and research paradigms and methodologies). Sue is the recipient of

Kappa Omicron Nu's (KON) Marjorie M. Brown Distinguished Professor Award (for home economics leadership) and is Docent in Home Economics at the University of Helsinki, Finland (a lifetime appointment in recognition of her international home economics reputation). With Donna Pendergast (Australia) and Kaija Turkki (Finland), she co-edited the 2012 book titled *The Next 100 years: Creating Home Economics Futures* (released at the IFHE congress). She published a book on *Transformative Practice* (for home economics) in 2006. She is (has been) affiliated with nearly 10 professional home economics journals. She is proud to be a Coordinating Editor of the IFHE International Journal of Home Economics, was Interim Editor of the *American Journal of Family and Consumer Sciences*, and is guest editing a Special Issue of *KON FORUM* on home economics philosophy. She has delivered nearly 30 home economics-related keynotes and invited talks in 14 countries. She regularly publishes monographs on home economics at her professional website www.consultmgregor.com, where you can also find most of her home economics publications. In her personal life, she is an avid reader, boater and a lover of life (and her husband Pete, married 40 years this year). In retirement now, she aspires to learn to paint water color, but isn't holding her breath. She often says she was 'born with a home economics gene' and is deeply honoured to be sharing this weekend with you.

Friday Keynote

A Tomorrow-focused Professional Identity

The theme of this conference is together toward tomorrow. This theme contains three large ideas: (a) together (working in close proximity to other home economics professionals, which requires collaboration and communication); (b) toward (movement and energy in a particular direction); and, (c) tomorrow (a commitment to the future). Friday's keynote will address the topics of professional learning and identity as they relate to moving together toward tomorrow. Topics will include professional learning and development, and building and adhering to a professional identity as a home economist, which involves a discussion of the depths of being a professional (especially commitment and personal leadership, which includes a philosophy of practice).