SE&T Colloquium Series-Fall 2014

Speaker	Prof. Laurie Reed Department of Physics
Title	Canada's Gros Morne National Park and "The Rock"
Abstract	In August I spent a week exploring Gros Morne National Park on the island province of Newfoundland on Canada's east coast. This ruggedly beautiful island—which boasts some of the worst weather in the country—is affectionately called "The Rock" by native Newfies. The park, located along the northwest coast of Newfoundland, contains some unusual and interesting geology. Where else on this continent can you walk upon a piece of the Earth's mantle, explore both mountains and ocean coastline and cruise through fjords carved during the last ice age? The tough, salt-of-the-earth people who live on the island have developed a unique culture that is both heavily influenced by a centuries-old cod-fishing industry and lovingly described in their traditional music. In this talk I will discuss some of the geological processes that have made Gros Morne National Park a UNESCO World Heritage Site and also introduce the audience to some fun and tasty aspects of Newfoundland culture.
Date	Tuesday, November 11
Time	4:10-5:00pm
Place	Pioneer 242
	Refreshments will be served at 4:00pm.