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My Family's Path in Maine



My Mom, sister and I traveled to Maine about two years ago at the end of the summer. We went right after the internship I had at Cleveland Clinic for the second summer. We had never really been hiking before, yet we were all interested in it. I was especially interested and excited to hike because I love the outdoors and being surrounded by nature. This trip to Maine that my family and I took marked the beginning of our frequent hiking that has made us closer as a family. This photograph is at the top of the Bubble Rock, which was the first trail that we went on and the first mountain that we climbed in Acadia National Park. It was challenging to get to the top because the trail was made of boulders that we had to climb around and we had never hiked before. This was quite intimidating to climb these large mountains because they were much more difficult than other trails that we are surrounded by at Cuyahoga Valley National

Park in Ohio. This was a learning experience for all of us and we started really enjoying hiking because it is an experience that we can share outside.

My Mom, sister and I have always been very close because of my parent's divorce and we are all very similar and spend most of our time together. We try and find different places that we can all go together to experience the world. We have developed places that we really loved such as New York City and now Maine. The difference between the two places are that we were able to find hiking places by our home in Aurora Ohio, therefore we could bring part of this trip home with us. It developed a love for hiking in our family and this summer we went hiking almost every single weekend for about the whole day. We always looked forward to it because it was something that we could all do together because I was working a lot during the week and so is my mom, yet we could always count on hiking during the weekend as a time for us all to relax and be outside in nature.

This photograph is important to me because it marks the beginning of hiking in my family and one of my favorite places and travels because of how beautiful it was and that I got to spend it all with my family. This photograph makes me happy when I look at it because I remember the great time that we had traveling around Maine to different cities and being on the water and hiking. Remembering our travels to Maine is important to me because at the end of the summer my family and I try and go somewhere or do something together before school starts and this is one of my favorite experiences that we had together. This photograph makes me remember the wonderful experience I had with my family and the beginning of our enjoyment of hiking.