## **IEEE NH Women in Engineering and Young Professionals Fall Hike**

On October 21 WIE/YP organized a fall hike. We hiked Rattlesnake Mountain in Holderness NH. The trail rises from the shores of Squam Lake. A short 1 mile hike takes hikers up to the ledges on the top of the West Rattlesnake Mountain overlooking the lake. The views were breathtaking. Fall colors were just about at their peak and the weather cooperated perfectly.



The trail is maintained by Squam Lake Association. At the trail head a young man met us and told us all about the trail and how his organization maintains the trail. He asked everybody to take one rock up the trail to help carry materials for maintenance and erosion repair. It was heartwarming to see everybody, even small children hike with rocks in their hands.



From the West Rattlesnake ledges, we hiked to the East Rattlesnake Mountain. We had lunch and snacks on top of the mountain. From there we completed the loop and came down back to the parking lot. Everybody had a great time and we all got a nice healthy work out.

