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If someone asked me why I got involved in this business of building and maintaining hiking trails, it was years ago I was out on a day hike and I came across a crew working hard building side hill on a mountain trail. Right then and there I decided it's time for me to pay back, so from there on in that was my beginning and I tried to follow through with the conviction that it was up to me and others to keep trails alive, and that's what inspired me. I saw these guys working and well, it's my turn.

If you have an interest, if I have peaked your interest a little bit about what we are doing out here on trail, I think the first thing you do is realize a line on a map showing a trail is just a line on a map. There really is a physical feature built by people, being maintained by people, and that is what a trail is. And if you realize that, then I think that you would want to be involved and you would say wait, maybe I should be helping to.

A good way for a person to get involved in trails is to contact or Google the Keystone Trails Association on the web -- just use KTA -- and find one of the member clubs close to you and get involved with them. That's the first step in building and maintaining trails—finding out about trails through a club and then getting with them.