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# *Peter Wessel*

## *Trustee, Barrington Hills Village Board*



Few people have contributed so much time and effort to the village of Barrington Hills as Peter Wessel. He is a lawyer, a businessman, a family man, an active and concerned citizen who is also an elected official serving our community. His skills, his knowledge of the issues, his leadership and his commitment to the village are proven assets. We urgently need Peter Wessel on our Village Board of Trustees.

- **Committed to preserving the rural and equestrian character of Barrington Hills.** 3-term President of The Riding Club of Barrington Hills and a board member for the 6 preceding years. Together with his wife, Jane Clement, and son Christopher, Peter has been a dedicated member of the Fox River Valley Pony Club since moving to the village in 1994. He's worked diligently to support the riding trail system, the linchpin for justifying our unique 5-acre zoning.
- **Park Board Commissioner.** Peter was elected as a Barrington Countryside Park District Commissioner in 2005 and has served as the board's treasurer ever since. He has been a leader in maintaining and improving the Park District's core asset, our unique Riding Center on Bateman Road and has worked effectively to build close relationships with the Village Board and with the Cook County Forest Preserve, which borders the Riding Center.
- **5-Acre Zoning.** Peter was an early supporter of the movement to protect 5-acre zoning that began when The Fritz Duda Company attempted to break our zoning on the McArthur estate on the west side of the village.
- **Environmental Issues.** Peter is a Master Steward certified by the Audubon Society and the Cook County Forest Preserve District to lead volunteers on workdays each weekend at various sites within Spring Creek Forest Preserve. He led the charge within the Riding Club of Barrington Hills to recruit members into the conservation/restoration effort to the point it is now the largest volunteer effort within the Forest Preserve District. The partnership he fostered has produced an extensive awareness campaign inside and outside the community on both the values and threats to this unique ecosystem.
- **Outspoken Leadership.** Peter has been and continues to be an outspoken and passionate participant on a wide range of issues at the Village Board, the Park Board and the various Village Commissions and Committees. He's worked hard and effectively to forge partnerships and strong working relationships between the Village, the park District, the Riding Club, the Pony Club, the Polo Club, the Forest Preserve and the conservation groups to ensure a legacy of open space enjoyment for all who live in the area.

Peter Wessel's involvement and leadership in village government, community organizations, environmental preservation projects make him uniquely qualified to serve as a Village Trustee committed to the protection of open spaces, 5-acre zoning and the rural, equestrian heritage of Barrington Hills.