



Ilene Smith

Hello! My name is ilene Smith and I am running for a board position here at Forest Lake. I have been told I need to send out a photo and short bio on myself.... So here it is!

I have lived at Forest Lake since retiring as a speech language pathologist last June. I have been coming to this area for many years prior to that- both to bring my kids camping around Rifle River and to visit friends who live here in Forest Lake. I remember when the lake was at its higher level and am excited at the prospect of the lake being back to its former glory. As a board member I would like to focus on all the exciting things we can be here at Forest Lake after raising the lake level. I have participated in many of the fabulous activities we currently have here including pickleball, euchre, bridge, the corn/ox roast, bonfires, dinner club, exercise class and line dancing. I look forward to continuing to participate in these community based activities.

I want to be up front and say that I support raising our annual dues incrementally. The cost of everything is unfortunately going up and in order to keep our grounds looking nice and our playground equipment safe (just to name a few things) as a community we need to keep financial strength. I also support community input. If you have an issue or an idea, invite me to coffee or give me a call, I will always be open to new thoughts and willing to listen.