

Agenda for FHIA Annual Meeting, and brief bios of our officer candidates for 2018-19.

1. Presentation by and discussion with Bill Goodman, Town of Ithaca Supervisor

Bill will be discussing upcoming Town projects that involve FH, including the condition of and remediation options for Forest Home Drive around Beebe Lake, an engineering evaluation of the Forest Home Walkway, and revisions to the Town's short term rental policies. There is also interest among residents to discuss sidewalks with him.

2. Cornell's North Campus Dormitory Project

3. Treasurer's Report

4. Speakers Series

5. Holiday Party

6. Holiday Service Project

7. Acknowledgment of FHIA volunteers

8. Election of officers

9. Adjournment

Below is a bit of background about each of the officer candidates.

Caroline Arms, standing for President

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My husband Bill and I bought 235 Forest Home Drive in 1999 and moved to 200 Forest Home Drive in 2011. The move was in part to have a house that would accommodate a growing number of visiting grandchildren. For many years we were officially residents of Maryland but are now based here. I am retired, but do some work remotely for the Library of Congress, my former employer. I have been FHIA Treasurer for the last two years and over the years have participated in many FHIA activities, such as Spring Clean-up day, planting and picnics in the park, migration of content to the new website, and hosting the Holiday Party.

Amita Verma, standing for Vice president

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Amita Verma is a 12 year resident of Forest Home. She lives on Fairway Drive with her husband Rohit, her little dog Teddy, and, until the kids moved away recently leaving the nest empty, with her two kids Pooja and Rishi. Amita works at Cornell and is a certified yoga teacher. She enjoys running, cooking, reading, yoga and has recently started a mindfulness based travel venture. She is looking forward to serving the neighborhood in whichever capacity her services can be best made use of.

Heather Beasley, standing for Treasurer

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My family and I are thrilled to be new members of the Forest Home community as of July 2018. Pete and I lived in Ithaca when he was a graduate student at Cornell, so moving back feels like coming home...although we are returning with our 4.5-year-old son, Avery, and 2-year-old daughter, Willa, this time around. I taught high school math in Lansing, NY, when we lived here before, and am returning as a research specialist with TeachingWorks, an organization housed within the University of Michigan School of Education, where I primarily facilitate professional development for math teacher educators and elementary math teachers. We love our proximity to Cornell (Pete is new faculty in the Department of Natural Resources) and the arboretum here in Forest Home.

Connie Sterling-Engman, standing for Secretary

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Connie lives on Warren Road with her husband, Herb Engman. She has been FHIA secretary for the past several years and has been one of the people responsible for maintenance of the Forest Home Park. She and Herb love to travel.

Note: Heather and Connie have agreed to share the responsibilities of the Treasurer and Secretary positions.