I have been a Snow Lake resident for almost 40 years. I grew up spending summers with my seven brothers and sisters swimming, hiking, and boating at Crooked Lake. So, yes, I am a Laker! I, like so many of you, have an appreciation for the natural beauty, recreational opportunities, and economic benefits our lakes provide residents. I am proud to support Rick Shipe, a candidate for Commissioner, who shares my views in keeping our lakes and county a place people will continue to enjoy with family and friends.

As president of his family well drilling business, Rick also understands the importance of fostering environmentally safe practices around the lakes. He understands the balance between industrial growth, responsible farming operations and maintaining our pristine recreational areas. He respects the land and water set aside for our county parks and beaches.

Knowing Rick's leadership roles on the County Council, Plan Commission and Republican precincts, I believe Rick Shipe has the knowledge and commitment to seek solutions to the issues that come before the Board of Commissioners. We need elected officials that are honest, transparent, and respectful in serving you and lakers like me. I look forward to voting in the upcoming primary for a candidate that continues to be committed to his constituents and the betterment of Steuben County. Rick Shipe has earned my vote for Commissioner. I hope you will join me and cast your vote for Rick as our next Steuben County Commissioner.

Tom Sanborn, Snow Lake