



Shangri-La Marina Newsletter
March 1, 2022

A NEW SEASON IS DAWNING (JUST A LITTLE LATER IN THE DAY)

We are getting a little more daylight with each passing day; and with the arrival of Daylight Saving Time Sunday, March 13, we'll move that increasing daylight to a little more useful time slot! Simultaneously with the arrival of DST, we will expand our marina operations to include Sunday service. New hours of operation at the marina beginning March 13 will be 9:00-5:00 seven days a week.

IT'S DEWINTERIZATION TIME!

Springtime officially arrives this month, too. The first day of Spring is March 20. That means it's time for all of us to begin planning for a busy season on the water. We will begin the process of dewinterizing the marina the middle of March, with water service back on all the docks by the end of the month.

The average "last freeze" date at Grand Lake is mid-March, so it's time to be thinking about dewinterizing your boat, as well. Even if you don't want your boat dewinterized right now, you should be getting your name on the long list of boaters who are planning to hit the lake soon. Crews can't dewinterize all the boats at once, so it's smart to have your name on the list with the date you want your boat to be prepped for fun.

For boats in Shangri-La Marina, contact Tyler Sourjohn, Service Manager at Nichols Marine. Call 918-257-5500 or email tyler.s_nichols@yahoo.com. This is also the perfect time to take care of oil changes, drive service, impeller replacement and any cosmetic work you need.

BOAT RENTALS ARE BACK

With Daylight Saving Time, the First Day of Spring, and Spring Break all arriving this month, boat rentals will be available at Shangri-La this month, too. We'll wait for the weather to get a little warmer before making personal watercraft rentals and parasailing adventures available, but it won't be long!

During March and April, boat rental operations will be handled at the Ship Store rather than at the Sail Grand office. You may reserve your boat by calling 918-257-6000 or handle reservations online at www.sailgrand.com.

Fun at Shangri-La is always accessible by boat – seven days a week. Both Doc's Bar & Grill and The Anchor at Shangri-La are open seven days a week year-round. If you are a year-round boater, you'll be happy that both are just a few steps from the courtesy slips at Shangri-La Marina. Doc's is open for breakfast, lunch, and dinner (with live entertainment Friday nights). The Anchor is open 11:00-10:00 Sunday-Thursday, and 10:00-midnight Friday & Saturday.

DOCK LOCKERS

If you need a dock locker, give me a call as soon as you can. Going forward, only Dock Box Unlimited dock lockers will be allowed at Shangri-La Marina in order to maintain consistency and an attractive and consistent look on the docks. I'll be happy to order one for your slip.

I'm preparing a March order of dock lockers for delivery and installation in April. We buy in bulk to save you additional money, so please get on the list for our next order if it's something you need at your slip. Both upright and horizontal dock boxes are available. You can see all the available models at www.dockboxes.com, then let me know which model best suits your needs.

If you're in need of a boat lift, we can take care of that, as well! Shangri-La Marina is one of the top dealers for HydroHoist Boat Lifts.

BOAT SALES

Winter boat shows are in the rearview mirror now, but Nichols Marine at Shangri-La still has a good selection of new boats – and more are on the way. America's top brands of new boats are handled by Nichols, including Chaparral, Bennington, MasterCraft, Robalo, and Chris-Craft.

To check models available for immediate or near-term delivery, find the complete line-up at www.nicholsmarine.com. Pre-owned boat values are also shown in detail on the website.

VISIT THE SHIP STORE

The Shangri-La Marina Ship Store is a great place to find unique logoed clothing items, souvenirs, boating accessories, sunglasses, and snacks. We still have some great hoodies and chilly weather clothing, and new merchandise is beginning to arrive for the Spring and Summer seasons, as well. If you haven't visited the Ship Store for a few weeks, you haven't seen everything that is available for boaters, lake lovers, and visiting tourists.

We are open Monday-Saturday from 9:00-5:00 – and seven-day-a-week marina operating hours return March 13, so we're always here for your shopping convenience.

Year-round marina operations include gasoline and diesel fuel sales, of course; and pump-out facilities will reopen on the fuel dock later this month when dewinterization of the marina is complete. If you're as anxious as we are for the summer fun and musical entertainment to return at Eddy's Lakeside Bar, just hang on a little longer. The bands for the summer have all been booked, the 2022 menu is planned, and preparations for the season are underway. Eddy's fun is just a few weeks away.

Slip renters at Shangri-La Marina pay no initiation fee for membership at Shangri-La Resort, so there is no reason for you to not get the full benefit of the ever-growing line-up of events and amenities at Grand Lake's #1 destination for fun!

As always, our marina crew is here for you if you need anything at all. If you have questions or need assistance, stop by any time, email marina@shangrilaok.com, or give us a call at 918-257-4898.

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