



Shangri-La Marina Newsletter *September 1, 2021*

I can't believe it's already Labor Day Weekend – with September and football season at our doorstep. We have an incredible line-up of entertainment and fun activities at Shangri-La – including lots of bookings for boat & PWC rentals, yacht charters and parasailing; but there is plenty of other entertainment at Shangri-La, as well – continuing throughout the entire month.

The Anchor Activity Park is easily accessible by either land or by Grand – and the games, simulators, and virtual reality battles await. With OU's televised opening game September 4, the huge video walls at The Anchor may put the games in the back seat during the game. With the addition of NFL Sunday Ticket to the football line-up at The Anchor, it is certain to quickly become THE spot on Grand Lake for college and pro football, alike.

There is also plenty of live musical entertainment this month, beginning with a huge Labor Day Weekend. Doc's Bar & Grill will host the live music beginning with *Jason Morgan* and Thursday night karaoke. Friday night of the holiday weekend, *Jacob Dement* will entertain inside at Doc's while *Big Smitty* is on stage on the patio. Saturday night, *5th Element* provides the music, followed by *Brett & Terri* to wrap up the holiday weekend Sunday night.

Live entertainment continues following the holiday, with *Mark Gibson*, *Caleb Fellenstein*, *Scott Musick*, *Torn*, and *After Party* all waiting in the wings for musical fun throughout the month in addition to *Jason Morgan's* regular Thursday night karaoke fun.

PLAN YOUR WINTERIZATION SCHEDULE

September and October are two of the very best Grand Lake boating months of the year; but we realize many busy boaters still mark their calendars as Labor Day weekend for their last hurrah on the water. If you fall into that category – or even if you don't plan to wrap up your boating for the year until much later, this is the right time to schedule winterization of your boat. Contact Tyler Sourjohn at Nichols Marine (918-257-5500) to get on the schedule for winterization, oil changes, outdrive service and any cosmetic repairs you may need before next Spring.

If you plan to boat throughout the winter – or deep into the fall months, you may want to consider adding bilge heaters to prevent damage during an unexpected freeze. Like all things these days, it takes a while to get heaters in stock and installed – so contact Tyler Sourjohn and get them ordered soon, if you plan to use your boat in chilly weather.

Plan ahead. If you have a holding tank on your boat, contact us about getting it pumped out. You would be wise, if possible, to winterize your onboard water systems earlier than you winterize your engines and generator (if you have one). Advance planning prevents problems!

MAINTENANCE AND HOURS OF OPERATION

We have completed a lot of shoreline clean-up, parking lot striping, and re-sealing of the roadway on the jetty. The Aqua Pest Solution crews have been here in the past week to ensure that your holiday is spider-free. Following the Labor Day weekend, Sail Grand Waterfront will be closed on Wednesdays, but the marina will continue to be open seven days a week. As school gets underway and football season catches more attention, much of the boat rental business will be handled directly out of the Ship Store. You can still call 918-257-6000 for reservations – or book online at www.sailgrand.com.

After Labor Day, Shangri-La Marina is open seven days a week from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. Sunday-Thursday and 9:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. Friday & Saturday.

THE SHIP STORE IS FULLY STOCKED!

Our ship store offers a variety of merchandise for boaters - fuel, oil, gear lube, dock lines, fenders, life jackets, cleaning supplies and air pumps for those inflatable water toys – but there is so much more.

We have a great selection of lightweight women's hoodies, as well as the regular style hoodies. Believe it or not, there are cool evenings on the near horizon. If you enjoy beautiful evenings on the water, check out our supply of hoodies, long sleeve shirts, and all-weather gear.

We still have some really fun souvenir tee shirts as well as long sleeved shirts, swimsuits and lots of footwear – flip flops, water shoes, and really neat new Drivers, along with a great selection of caps, hats, and visors. For boaters who spend long days on the water, we also have long-sleeve sunscreen T-Shirts with a built in RPF 50+ protection from the sun.

Ice, beer, snacks and soft drinks are available in the Ship Store including all your favorite ice cream treats; and a great supply of items you might not have realized you needed until you arrived at the lake. The Epoch, Solaray, and Maui Jim sunglass cases are full; and we have chargers, USB cables and other accessories that are so important in this age of social media and constant communication. If you haven't been to the Ship Store lately, check out the great souvenir items including some very popular logoed Yeti Tumblers.

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.

Both upright and horizontal dock boxes are available. We have a sample at the Ship Store if you would like to check out the high quality – or you can see all the available models at www.dockboxes.com, then let me know which model best suits your needs.

We are also one of the largest dealers in the region for HydroHoist boat lifts – but they are backlogged, as well. If you see the need on the horizon for a new lift, we need to determine what size and get it ordered now.

As always, our crew is here for you if you need anything at all.

Mitch Whitehead
Shangri-La Marina Manager

