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What's New at Shangri-La

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Veterans' Day, Tuesday Trivia, Festivus, Bedlam, Thanksgiving, Black Friday Seafood Buffet, and New Menu Offerings. It's a Busy November at Shangri-La Resort!

*by Barry Willingham, President & CEO
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With a fabulous Wine Dinner, the Spooktacular Kids Halloween Party & Costume Contest, the Halloween Pickleball fun, the Mary Moore Charity Pickleball Challenge, the Tour Championship of The Race to Shangri-La, and the Okie Quota Tournament all in the rearview mirror, it's time to look ahead to another fun month.

There may be some businesses on Grand Lake where things slow down in November – but Shangri-La is not one of them! With Daylight Saving Time ending and cooler weather arriving, the Splash Pad and Pool Bar at the resort pool have been closed for the season and our power assisted

bicycle rental has been shut down until April, but there is certainly no shortage of amenities and activities to fill your November schedule.

With the World Series wrapping up and the basketball season in full swing, The Anchor is as busy as ever – especially with college and NFL seasons in the heat of competition. We always have a great crowd for every sporting event, but we are especially looking forward to a great Bedlam watch party November 19, complete with a cookout on the Hooray Grill.

It's not all about spectator activities, though. The popular

"Tuesday Trivia" competition returns to The Anchor November 15 – and Lee Lawson will be back to emcee all the fun. I'm looking forward to all our competitive members and guests reassembling their trivia teams for another season of trivia fun.

Remember Our Veterans

November marks the official kick-off of the holiday season at Shangri-La, and no holiday is more important than Veterans Day, November 11. On that day, we will honor our veterans with free golf, free tennis and pickleball, free use of the simulator room, and free

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game play at The Anchor, as well as complimentary appetizers at Doc's.

Veterans can reserve tee times by calling the Golf Shop at 918-257-7706. Court times and simulator bay times may be reserved by calling The Anchor at 918-257-7781. Inform them that you are a veteran or active military and would like to reserve time to play on November 11. We appreciate all our men and women who serve and those who have previously served to protect the freedom we all enjoy today.

It's Also Festivus Time!

Our annual Festivus Party is one of our most popular events, and it's on the November calendar from 5:00-7:00 p.m. Saturday, November 19. Make your plans to enjoy us for an evening of light hors d'oeuvres, beer, wine, and great discounts on some great Christmas gift ideas. The Golf Shop team will also offer complimentary gift wrapping for all your purchases, so you don't have to worry about anything but making your selections and enjoying the camaraderie of a fun evening.

Thanksgiving at our place...or yours!

We have already begun accepting orders for our popular Thanksgiving-to-Go dinners. A lot of us like to spend the holiday season kick-off at home, but without the work. That's no problem. You can leave all the work to us while you take the credit for a fabulous holiday meal.

Our Thanksgiving-to-Go dinners include all the traditional offerings including turkey, ham, mashed potatoes, dressing, corn, cranberry chutney, sweet potato-pecan casserole, green bean casserole, and assorted dinner rolls, topped off with pecan, apple or pumpkin pie! All the dishes are delivered in reheat oven safe containers complete with reheating instructions. Cost is \$65 for two adults and \$30 for each additional person. Whether your holiday crowd is large or small, we've got you covered!

If you prefer to join us at Doc's Bar & Grill for a traditional Thanksgiving buffet, we will have the same menu available from 11:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m. on Thanksgiving Day. Doc's will be closing at 8:00 p.m. to allow our staff a little Thanksgiving time with their families, as well, but we will be ready and waiting for your family and friends at Doc's for a great Thanksgiving dinner.

On Black Friday –

It's a Seafood Extravaganza!

By the day after Thanksgiving, everyone will undoubtedly have had their fill of turkey & ham and we will all be ready for some fabulous seafood. Our culinary crew never disappoints on that front. Our Black Friday Seafood Buffet is always a popular event at The Summit. Priced at \$65 (\$25 for children under age 12), the Extravaganza will be

served from 5:00-9:00 p.m. In addition to a variety of salads, oysters, shrimp cocktail, smoked salmon and mini fried shrimp Po'boys, offerings include a prime rib carving station and a variety of entrees – Crawfish Fettuccine, Spanish Paella, Bourbon Mustard Glazed Salmon, and New England Stuffed Haddock, all served with your favorite sides and Chef Julie's choice of incredible desserts.

If you haven't already made reservations, please do so. This event is always a sell-out.

Great Specials at Doc's

The Thursday night Italian Buffet & karaoke fun with Jason Morgan has proven to be extremely popular, but it's not the only "special" available. In addition to our Thanksgiving Day buffet, our culinary crew offers a different special menu each weekend. This month, offerings include Flavors of the Mediterranean (Nov. 4-6), A Taste of Korea (Nov. 11-13), Fall Squash Harvest (Nov. 18-20), and Foods to Warm the Soul (Nov. 25-27).

New Hours of Operation

and New Menus in November

With the end of the summer season, we have discontinued our late-night menu at Doc's. The kitchen now closes at 10 p.m. Friday & Saturday. We will continue to have weekly live entertainment from 7:00-10:00 Friday nights. Sunday-Thursday, we will continue to maintain the 9:00 p.m. kitchen closing time. If you haven't tried out the new Fall Menu at Doc's, check it out.

The Galley food service at The Anchor has new hours of operation, as well. The Galley is now closed Monday and Tuesday and is open from 4:00-9:00 p.m. Wednesday-Friday and from 11:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. There is also a new menu at The Galley. The Anchor, including the Sports Bar, continue normal hours of operation.

Beginning November 7, the Summit Restaurant will discontinue normal lunch service for the winter. Dinner service is offered Thursday-Sunday for our members and resort guests. Dinner service is open to the public on Sunday evenings. And, yes, we also have a new menu at The Summit beginning November 10.

Battlefield is Coming Together!

Progress on "The Battlefield," Shangri-La's new 18-hole Par 3 Golf Course is proceeding on schedule – and work on the course itself is virtually complete! We are now mowing the greens and watching native grow in over the fall growing season. The course is pretty much in place. Now we're working on amenities – finishing up the roofing and interior on the cart barn

and beginning farming work on the new club house.

We are still on schedule for an opening of the course next Spring. Please keep in mind The Battlefield may "look" like it's finished, but it is not ready for traffic. With the cart paths and bridges complete, I know it is tempting to take a little tour of the course, but *please don't!* It is still a dangerous construction zone, and new installations and plantings are still very fragile.

November Fun at The Anchor and Racquet Club

The Anchor has become a popular spot for private events, group gatherings, team building and team bonding. Please note that The Anchor will be closed for private events November 3 (7:00-10:00 p.m.) and November 4 (9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.).

The Anchor has also become the unparalleled headquarters for big football game days on Grand Lake. NFL football and College Football are in full swing (including our big Bedlam Watch Party & Cookout November 19), and NBA basketball is also underway, including televised coverage of all OKC Thunder games at The Anchor.

There is always something happening at The Anchor! Pickleball, tennis, basketball, WIFFLE@Ball, and an arcade full of games and virtual reality challenges for kids of all ages – plus LaserShot shooting and Trackman golf in the simulator bay!

Great Live Entertainment

There's always great live entertainment at Shangri-La! In addition to Jason Morgan's weekly Thursday night karaoke fun, Doc's features live entertainment every Friday night throughout the year. November entertainers include Kevin Price, Scott Musick, Mark Gibson, and Jacob Clint Ingram.

Download Shangri-La's

Free Mobile App

If you haven't already done so, please be sure to download the **Shangri-La Mobile App!** It is absolutely free – and it's the best way to stay current with Shangri-La's special offerings and events as well as current events and weather conditions. Just text the word GRAND to 855-339-2122 to download the app. It's that easy. You can also follow us on our website at www.shangrilaok.com, "Like" us on Facebook, and follow us on Twitter, Instagram, and Pinterest.

Thank you for your support, your patronage, and your friendship. We hope you will join us often at Shangri-La Resort – any time you have the sudden urge to Escape the Ordinary.

Culinary Conversation

By Jonathan Moosmiller

Executive Director of Food & Beverage



In October, Chef Matt and our culinary team at The Summit took on the challenge of hosting a wine dinner that was both prepared and served outside on the north patio of the clubhouse.

October was a fabulous month for the Food & Beverage crew with lots of groups, some special banquet events, new menus at Doc's and the Galley, and a fantastic turnout for our special Members' Wine Dinner at The Summit. Kudos to Chef Matt and his team for that awesome event.

With the arrival of November, it's time to kick off the holiday season with even more outstanding food & fun options at Shangri-La.

THANKSGIVING AT DOC'S...OR AT YOUR HOUSE!

Yes, Doc's Bar & Grill will be open Thanksgiving Day for a terrific holiday buffet for the entire family. Our menu selection includes all the holiday traditions – Butternut Squash Bisque, Shangri-La Salad, Roasted or Smoked Turkey, Smoked Cajun Honey Ham, Sage-Cornbread Dressing, Mashed Potatoes, Sweet Potato-Pecan Casserole, Green Bean Casserole, Roasted Buttered Corn, Cranberry Chutney, and Assorted Dinner Rolls, topped with a selection of Chef Julie's fabulous Holiday Desserts – all for \$30 per person (\$15 for children ages 3-12).

The Thanksgiving Buffet will be available from 11:00-7:00, and Doc's will close at 8:00 p.m. in order to allow a little holiday time for our staff, as well.

If you would rather enjoy the Thanksgiving holiday at home, we're happy to also take care of the cooking. Let our Culinary Team take the stress out of your holiday by allowing us to prepare a wonderful holiday meal for your family, large or small. The menu offerings include everything that is offered on the Doc's Thanksgiving menu including your choice of Pecan, Apple, or Pumpkin Pie for only \$65 for two people (\$30 for each additional person).

Thanksgiving-to-Go orders come complete with reheating instructions and reheated oven-safe containers. Orders must be placed by Sunday, November 20 at 2:00 p.m. for pick-up on Thanksgiving Wednesday or Thursday, November 23 and/

or 24. To place your order, please contact Linda Wall at 918-257-7716 or email linda.wall@shangrilaok.com.

BLACK FRIDAY SEAFOOD EXTRAVAGANZA AT THE SUMMIT

The Black Friday Seafood Extravaganza at the Summit Restaurant is one of our most popular events of the year. In addition to a Shangri-La Salad, Shrimp Pasta Salad, and Fig Spinach Salad, our seafood buffet will include an Oyster Bar, a Shrimp Cocktail Bar, Smoked Salmon, and Mini-Fried Shrimp Po' Boys. All that is before you get to the Prime Rib Carving Station or our special entrees including Crawfish Fettuccine, Spanish Paela, Bourbon Mustard Glazed Salmon, and New England Stuffed Haddock complemented with Rice Pilaf, Potatoes Au Gratin, Roasted potato & Root Vegetable Medley, Asparagus with Roasted Red Pepper and Haricots Verts. Don't overdo it, because Chef Julie also has a great selection of awesome desserts.

The Black Friday Seafood Extravaganza will be served from 5:00-9:00 p.m. at The Summit on Friday, November 25, priced at \$65 per person (\$25 for children under 12). Make your reservations early because this event is always a sell-out!

NOVEMBER CHEF'S SPECIAL AT DOC'S

In addition to our holiday specials, we will continue to provide a culinary tour of the world with our weekend Chef's Specials at Doc's each Weekend. November specials include Flavors of the Mediterranean (November 4-6), A Taste of Korea (November 11-13), a Fall Squash Harvest Special (November 18-20), and Foods to Warm the Soul (November 25-27).

Don't forget our weekly Thursday Night Italian Buffet with Jason Morgan providing weekly karaoke fun, as well! Naturally, we won't have the buffet or karaoke on Thanksgiving.

DON'T FORGET FESTIVUS!

Shangri-La members always look forward to the Saturday prior to Thanksgiving when we all enjoy "Festivus for the Rest of Us!" This fun event will once again include light appetizers, wine & beer, and great Christmas shopping specials and discounts at the Golf Shop Saturday, November 19, from 5:00-7:00 p.m. We all look forward to a great evening of fun and camaraderie at Festivus!

HOURS OF OPERATION

We have discontinued our late-night menu at Doc's for the off-season. The kitchen now closes at 10 p.m. Friday & Saturday. We will continue to have weekly live entertainment from 7:00-10:00 Friday nights. Sunday-Thursday, we will continue to maintain the 9:00 p.m. kitchen closing time.

The Breakfast Buffet continues at Doc's seven days a week. Although a la carte breakfast menus are no longer available, I think you'll be pleased with the wide variety of offerings on our buffet. The Breakfast Buffet is available Monday-Friday from 7:00-11:00 a.m. and Saturday-Sunday from 7:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. The regular lunch and dinner menus will be available as soon as Breakfast Buffet hours are complete. Pizza menus are available daily from 11:00 a.m.-close.

The Summit Restaurant will discontinue lunch service for the season beginning November 7, but continues to offer full dinner service Thursday-Sunday including dinner service open to the public on Sunday evenings.

The Galley at The Anchor also has a new menu and new hours – closed Monday-Tuesday, open 4:00-9:00 p.m. Wednesday-Friday, and 11:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m. Saturday & Sunday.

We know you have a variety of choices for dining, drinking, and entertainment – and we are always grateful when you choose to spend your time with us at our variety of Shangri-La venues. Please join us anytime you can. We're always cooking up something!

Dock Talk

by Mitch Whitehead, Shangri-La Marina Manager



The Shangri-La Marina Ship Store and Fuel Dock are open year-round. Beginning in November, the marina will be open Monday-Saturday from 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. but closed on Sunday.

The time has finally come. Daylight Saving Time ends November 6. The arrival of November means it's time to plan for colder weather ahead – both for boaters and marina operations. The time change means new operating hours for Shangri-La Marina, as well. We remain open year-round for the convenience of our customers, but shorter days mean shorter hours. The marina and Ship Store operations are now open from 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Monday-Saturday. We are closed on Sundays throughout the winter months.

MARINA WINTERIZATION

We will be winterizing the marina docks November 15. That means there will be no water available on docks – and pump-out facilities will be winterized, as well. If you need a pump-out prior to winter preparations, please be sure to take care of that task prior to November 15.

BOAT RENTALS ARE CUTTING BACK

November also means an end to the busy boat rental season at Sail Grand. We will be winterizing most rental boats and pulling them for off-season maintenance this month; but we realize there are lake lovers who want the opportunity to continue their boating ventures during the winter months. Yacht charters are still available and, for fishermen or those in need of a nice-winter-day boating fix, we are continuing rental availability throughout the winter of a 22-foot Lowe center console bay boat equipped with a trolling motor.

The Sail Grand office is closed, but bay boat rental and yacht charters are still available at the Ship Store instead of the Sail Grand offices. Advance reservations are available online at www.sailgrand.com or call 918-257-6000.

YEAR-ROUND BOATING ACCESS TO FOOD AND FUN AT SHANGRI-LA!

It seems like a constant question on a variety of social media platforms: "Are there any restaurants still open that are accessible by water?" The answer to that question is always "Doc's Bar & Grill at Shangri-La Marina."

Courtesy slips at Shangri-La Marina remain open and accessible year-round – and Doc's Bar & Grill is the only accessible-by-water restaurant that is open for breakfast, lunch, and dinner seven days a week! Thursday evenings are a great time to boat to Shangri-La for the weekly Italian Buffet and karaoke fun with Jason Morgan! Doc's also features weekly Friday night live entertainment year-round. November entertainers include Kevin Price, Scott Musick, Mark Gibson, and Clint Ingram.

There's a lot more that food available at Shangri-La for winter season boaters, though. The Anchor is within walking distance of our courtesy docks with lots of indoor fun and eve-

ry major sporting event on our giant video walls in The Anchor Sports Bar. There is always plenty of food and fun available and accessible for Grand Lake boaters at Shangri-La – all year long!

BE SURE TO VISIT THE SHIP STORE

If you haven't been to the Ship Store lately, come check out the great inventory of newly arrived merchandise. In addition to our newly arrived fall apparel, we also have swimsuits for those who may want to enjoy the heated pool available to members and resort guests at the Shangri-La Resort Hotel.

We're all about year-round fun – and if you need fuel or supplies while accessing our many venues by boat, the Shangri-La Marina crew is here year-round to assist in any way possible.

IT'S A GREAT TIME FOR BOAT SHOPPING

With the Fort Lauderdale Boat Show wrap-up, boat fever has struck the on-the-water crowd again. This is a fantastic time to shop for pre-owned boat values. Our partners at Nichols Marine always have a selection of late model pre-owned boats. If you're in the market for a new boat, supply-chain issues also make this the right time to reserve incoming 2023 models. The Oklahoma Boat Expo for 2023 in Tulsa's downtown Convention Center is scheduled for January 6-8. Smart buyers will beat the rush on new models by nailing down their purchase ahead of the boat show season. Check out available new and used inventory at www.nicholsmarine.com. If you see something you like, call 918-257-5500 and make it yours!

MARINA ASSOCIATION ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Like many businesses, we take advantage of off-season down time to find ways to continue improving services and products at Shangri-La Marina. Our marina management team will be participating in the Oklahoma Marinas Association Annual Conference this month to share ideas with experts, regulators, and other marinas throughout the state of Oklahoma in order to ensure the very best amenities, options, and services to our slip renters and customers at Shangri-La!

As always, our marina team is here to serve you year-round, and we're always happy to see you. If you have questions, call 918-257-4898 or email marina@shangrilaok.com.

Staff Spotlight: Terry Jordan

by Communications Director Mike Williams



The talented Terry Jordan: Back home at Shangri-La!

You would be hard-pressed to find a more beloved, more talented, more personable, or more versatile performer than Terry Jordan, the “house performer” at The Summit Restaurant. Terry “playing piano” at age 5 and never stopped! To his loyal fans that’s FANTastic! ...to have decades of music in his fingertips ...memorized!

Over the years, he has won fans across the country with his unique talent at the keyboard. Whether performing on a Branson stage or on a cruise ship stage, for conventions or dinner crowds, Terry Jordan is a performer with an uncanny knack of knowing just what the audience wants... and gives it to them! Although his performances are more limited these days – primarily Shangri-La and his Sunday morning responsibilities at Music Director at St. Andrews Episcopal Church in Grove, Terry has had the pleasure of performing with celebrities and many others in his extensive career.

“When Gerald Ford was President, I played for him at a dedication ceremony for the first Statue of Liberty replica in Independence, Kansas,” Terry recalls. “He slipped up to my piano and said, ‘If you’ll play *Nadia’s Theme*, Betty will dance with me.’ I did. And she did,” Terry recalls.

His recent tenure at Shangri-La began in 2019, but it is actually a “return” to Shangri-La. He performed at the former resort from 1990-1999.

“In the nineties, I replaced The Forrest Wasson Orchestra,” he says. “I played in the Golden Eagle Ballroom for dinner and dancing. I lived in Honey Creek at the time, so I came back and forth to work by boat. It was a perfect distance to finish off a vodka stinger between Shangri-La and Honey Creek on the way home,” he laughs.

“I remember playing for astronaut Neil Armstrong at Shangri-La. I asked if he had any requests and, of course, he requested *Fly Me to the Moon*.”

His brush with fellow celebrities continues to this day.

“You never know who you will run into at Shangri-La,” he says. “A couple of years ago, a big guy walked up to my piano at The Summit and said, ‘do you know any of my songs?’ I said, ‘Well, I don’t know who you are.’ It was Toby Keith. His songs are a little out of my genre, so I didn’t know any of his songs. He said, ‘surely you know *Somewhere Over the Rainbow*.’ So, I played that song, and he sang. An hour-and-a-half later, we finally wrapped up a fun jam session of some really great songs.”

Over his career, Terry has performed with a variety of other great entertainers including Jerry Reed, B.J. Thomas, Lynn Anderson, Barbara Fairchild, Little Jimmy Dickens, Hank Williams’ original “Drifting Cowboys,” Roy Clark, Lenny Bowman, Elizabeth Montgomery, and Grand Lake’s own Jana Jae and Patti Beth Anderson among many others. These days, his focus is once again Shangri-La.

“It’s different from my time at Shangri-La in the nineties,” he reflects. “The Summit is a lot more intimate venue, which I enjoy a lot. For so long, we all mourned the loss off ‘the old Shangri-La,’ but not anymore. The new Shangri-La is so fabulous we no longer miss the old one...thanks to Eddy Gibbs.”

Upcoming Special Events with Terry

In November, Terry is taking some well-deserved time off; but he returns in December with some very special events.

“I have planned a couple of very special events with Jack & Nancy Adkisson who have been Shangri-La members since 1969. They are providing a ‘Christmas Card to Monkey Island.’ We have a fabulous grand piano in the lobby of the resort hotel now, and I’ll be performing there from 2:00-5:00 on the two Sunday afternoons before Christmas – December 11 and 18,” Terry says. “I hope everyone will come join the fun. We’ll be in the hotel lobby beside the fireplace on the beautiful new lobby Grand Piano. It’ll be a Christmas Carol sing-along. I’m really excited about it. I hope it becomes a new Shangri-La holiday tradition.”

Terry will also be performing Fridays and Saturdays at The Summit Restaurant the first three weekends in December as we celebrate the “Twelve Days of Christmas,” as well as noon-2:00 p.m. on Sunday, December 18 for our “Christmas Brunch with Santa” at the Summit. As always, he will also be on hand to entertain members ringing in the new year at the Members’ New Year’s Eve Wine Dinner.



In September, 2020, a single-song drop-in performance by Toby Keith ended up being an hour-and-a-half impromptu jam session for Toby and Terry.

Member Profile: Brad Frank's Unbelievable Accomplishment

By Ken MacLeod, Publisher
Golf Oklahoma Magazine



Shangri-La member Brad Frank is one of only four golfers in the last 40 years to make a hole-in-one playing right-handed – and another playing left-handed.

The odds of making a hole-in-one on a par 3 are commonly listed as about 12,500 to 1. That would mean if your course has four par-3s, you should dunk one every 3,125 rounds you play.

Here in Oklahoma, golfers seem to routinely defy not just those odds, but far more astronomical probabilities when it comes to aces.

First there was Brendon Strathe of Owasso making **two holes-in-one** in a three-hole stretch, including the par-4 seventh hole and the par-3 ninth at The Patriot in May of 2021. Odds of that? 67 million to one.

Then on July 13 of this year, the father-son combination of Bill, 80, and Mark Littlefield, 56, both made their **first career aces** on the same day after each had played thousands of rounds without one. Odds calculated on that at 786,000 to one.

In September, Shangri-La member Mark Meek aced #4 Heritage for his ninth career hole-in-one. We can't even figure the odds for that – but he obviously spends way too much time on the golf course.

But perhaps the most unusual hole-in-one story happened in August at Cedar Ridge when Shangri-La member Brad Frank did something that very few golfers have done in the history of the game. On the long downhill par-3 13th hole, he used a 4-iron from 192 yards and watched the ball disappear.

That was cause for celebration on its own. But what made Brad's story so rare is that he made his hole-in-one left-handed, 25 years after making his first ace as a natural right-handed player.

Frank, 66 and the CEO of Tulsa Tube Bending, is a long-time passionate and low-handicap golfer who made his first hole-in-one on No. 15 at Cedar Ridge in 1998, knocking one in from 153 yards with a 7-iron.

Unfortunately, he wore out his rotator cuff on his left shoulder in 2013. He had surgery to repair it, then it went out again. His doctor told him his golfing days were likely over.

After two years of missing the game badly, Brad had an idea. His father is a lefty, and he grabbed his clubs and went to the back of the range at Cedar Ridge to see if converting would be a possibility.

He began working with Cedar Ridge teaching professional Tracy Phillips and soon began putting the pieces of a game back together.

"For six weeks I was trying to learn, and I was absolutely terrible," he said. "But it's interesting, when you need to do something, your brain starts to figure it out.

"I was really missing the game. I missed what I used to doing and missed being with my friends."

Maybe it helps that Brad is a good athlete with excellent hand-eye coordination and an engineer who looked at the issue and what he would need to do analytically. But slowly, he began to put his game back together. His handicap had soared from a 2 right-handed to a 23 from the left side when he rejoined his friends, but in two years he had it down to 11.

Now he has regained all of his distance on his iron shots and 85 percent with the driver and again owns a single-digit handicap, though closer to a 7.

"It's a real credit to Brad and how hard he's worked," Phillips said. "The biggest thing when switching is changing the grip around, then installing that motion from the backswing to the follow through is difficult. He has good body awareness and he's a good athlete. It's just a pretty cool story."

Brad said his wife made calls to the *Golf Digest* and the *National Hole-In-One Registry* and was told there were only three documented cases of golfers making a hole-in-one from each side in the last 40 years.

The odds? Who knows? Odds are it would never have happened without Brad Frank's dedication, passion and love for golf, and we can all fathom that. It is truly an incredible accomplishment and a testimony to the love of the game by Brad Frank – another of Shangri-La's talented members!



Anchor Activity

by Shaun Tune, Director of Anchor Operations



We didn't see Batman, but The Joker (Foster Thrift) showed up for the big Halloween Party at The Anchor.

We have had a great month of fun activities at The Anchor, topped off by our awesome and "Spooktacular" Halloween Party with loads of kids having lots of fun! With Thanksgiving, Bedlam football, Tuesday Trivia, and loads of games and parties, November looks like it will be even more fun!

Tuesday Trivia Returns November 15

Back by popular demand is Tuesday Trivia Night! The format schedule will vary differently this season compared to last however with only 12 Trivia evenings. Lee Lawson, everybody's favorite trivia guy will be coming back exclusively to host the competition and exercise your brain! Mark your calendars! We will host trivia on a scheduled limited basis, starting at 7:00 PM on the following dates: November: 15th & 29th, December 6th & 13th, January 10th, 17th, 24th, 31st, and February 7th, 14th, 21st, & 28th.

All Things Racquet Club

Pickleball continues to sweep the nation – and the Shangri-La Racquet Club at The Anchor is the #1 spot in this part of the United States. After a final October weekend that featured both our "Smash It" Halloween Costume Mixer and the Mary Moore Pickleball Charity Challenge, we have loads of fun on the November calendar, as well.

There's no need to worry about the weather. Outdoor courts are always available, but if the weather turns cranky, the dome is NOW OPEN, based at the discretion of our staff. This gives our guests the opportunity to continue play-

ing their favorite sports throughout the winter season! The bubble will provide protection from the outdoor elements and has been lined for multi-use for both tennis and pickleball!

If you are playing in the dome, we ask that you check in at the Racquet Club pro shop first. The dome has a fee to play for everyone, with amounts that vary based upon membership status. Members pay only \$20 per court, per hour, regardless of the day, which can be broken down as \$5 per person for a court hosting a group of four. The standard \$10 guest fee remains the same. Weekday fee for non-members is \$40 per court, per hour and \$50 per court, per hour on the weekends. Outdoor play pricing remains unchanged.

The Racquet Club has adjusted times and weekly activities for the seasonal changes. Pickleball drills are held each Monday at 5:45 p.m., Tuesday at 9:00 a.m., Thursday at 5:45, Friday at 9:00 a.m. and 5:45 p.m., and Saturday at 10:00 a.m. Note: there will be no 5:45 pickleball drills on November 25.

There are plenty of pickleball mixers, too – Monday at 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m., Thursday at 9:00 a.m., Friday at 7:00 p.m., and Saturday at 11:00 a.m. There are competitive mixers Monday and Thursday evenings at 7:00.

Tennis players are on the schedule, too, with open tennis drills Tuesday evenings at 7:30, adult tennis drills Saturday mornings at 10:00. Junior High tennis drills are scheduled Tuesday at 5:30 p.m., and Saturday at 1:30 p.m. High school drills are held Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. and Saturday at 12:30 p.m.

PLEASE NOTE: Even though The Anchor will be open, there are no Racquet Club activities on November 24, Thanksgiving Day.

Football Season is in full swing!

With both the NFL and college teams moving into the serious part of the season, The Anchor continues to be everyone's favorite sport for sporting events. In the Anchor's Sports Bar, we not only have two major video walls but also various indoor and outdoor TVs with firepits and numerous tables nearby. There is no shortage of great spots to sit and watch your favorite teams. It doesn't matter if two or three of your favorite teams are playing at the same time. You can catch all the games at The Anchor. We can't wait to see everybody and cheer on our favorite teams together! Don't miss our special Bedlam football Watch Party Saturday, November 19, complete with a cookout on the popular Hooray grill. We'll also have all the great NFL action on Thanksgiving Day with three big games to occupy your holiday afternoon and evening.

Our football schedule drink specials are offered Thursday and Monday nights, and all afternoon & evening on Saturdays & Sundays - \$3 well drinks & featured can specials, \$4 Michelob Ultra Draft and \$6 Premium Drafts. Not to mention there is also fresh hot popcorn offered to enjoy the games!

Host Your Group Events with us!

The Anchor offers a variety of team bonding packages from the Ultimate Arcade Challenge to the Anchor Adventure Hunt or the Anchor Olympics. All of which, can be booked through Dana Able our Director of Sales here at Shangri-La Resort.

The Anchor Adventure Hunt is a scavenger hunt that has clues and fun finds throughout the Anchor property. The Ultimate Arcade Challenge offers the opportunity for you and your team/coworkers to bond by going head-to-head challenging each other on various games in our awesome Anchor arcade. Lastly, The Anchor Olympics involves various types of outdoor activities that get your blood pumping and going! If you or someone you know would like to book your next team bonding/group event with us, feel free to call us at 918-257-5205 and get set up for some bonding fun!

In the meantime...

We always have great new special events pop up, so be sure to follow The Anchor at Shangri-La on Facebook, Instagram & TikTok to stay up to date with all the latest information on our tournaments, leagues, events, & specials! Feel free to share your thoughts or suggestions directly with me at any time regarding any aspect of our operation. Please contact me at shaun.tune@shangrilaok.com. Thanks. I'll see you soon at The Anchor!



(Above) Seventeen teams competed in the Mary Moore Pickleball Charity Challenge at The Anchor. The event supports the Special Olympics through the Home of Hope.

(Below) Mary Moore Pickleball Charity Challenge organizers and Shangri-La members Dan Moore and Stephanie Winslow entertain the crowd as they award prizes at The Anchor Racquet Club.



Shangri-La member and former Broadway performer Ron Young opens the Stars & Stripes Classic supporting the Heart of a Lion with the National Anthem as Major Ed Pulido salutes.



SLWGA News

By Candy Brasel



"Break Time" for the victorious SLWGA players who hosted Stillwater Country Club last month in their "home & away" competition.

November is a time to reflect and be thankful; and there are many things for which to be thankful. We had a good year with a decrease of COVID and we were able to play golf with our friends at Shangri-La. The SLWGA league is over for this year, and we realize it was a busy, busy season.

We had our play days every Monday, participated in tournaments on our home course, played in AWAY competitions and even added some tournaments for next year. We hope as you read this newsletter you will consider joining us next year if you are not already a member. Our FALL BRUNCH/ MEETING will be Saturday, November 5, 9:30 AM. Reservations must be made to attend. Golf will follow at 11:00 AM.

Our SLWGA board met monthly, and we want to thank Cheryl Brecheisen

for her leadership and service as our President this year. The 18 & 9-hole Chairpersons, Gloria Pickens & Susan Jones, have a huge job of planning play days for the year. These ladies have lots of responsibilities, as we now have 52 lady golfers in SLWGA. Thank you for making play days fun and challenging. We would like to thank our board and chairpersons for all their work on committees that planned the tournaments and luncheons. Our Artist-in-Residence, Debbie Hess, did a beautiful job decorating for tournaments and luncheons. Thank you, Debbie!

A big thank you also to our Pro-Shop for helping with pairings, play days, scoring for tournaments and dealing with changes and additions. You do a great job! Linda Wall, your staff did a great job on all the luncheons making them creative and delicious. The course is beautiful, and the maintenance workers keep it in excellent shape. We look forward to next year.

SAVE THE DATE

SLWGA FALL BRUNCH / MEETING: November 5, 9:30 AM in the Charles Davis Room at the Summit. Awards for the year, election of officers, vision for the upcoming year. \$30 for brunch. Golf following meeting: 11:00 a.m. Sign up on our website.

You may pay your dues for 2023. Membership dues are \$75 for returning members and \$85 for new members.

As you can see, it takes a lot of staff to provide the services we all enjoy. Let's make sure we thank everyone for their hard work and commitment to making Shangri-la the best Resort Destination in Oklahoma.



(Left) SLWGA's busy "Away Golf" players: Carol Cable, Robin Purdie-Smith, Vicki Graper, Cindy Johnson, Lenda Smith, and Judi Barber.



Shangri-La Mission Statement

Our mission is to provide a first class resort experience for our guests and members by consistently providing enjoyable recreation, a safe environment, and memorable vacation experiences. We strive to reach these goals by developing relationships, creating a sense of camaraderie and instilling pride through the delivery of exceptional products, a diversity of programs and engaging services.

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(Top Left) Congratulations to Jill Graham on her first career Hole in One! She accomplished the feat October 4, 2022 on #2 Legends at Shangri-La Golf Club when she holed out her 7-iron from 140 yards. Great shot, Jill!



(Top Right) Congratulations to Jack Moore for 50 straight!!! Jack has shot his age or better 50 consecutive times and he's still going. You make this game look too easy. 100 here he comes.

Shangri-La Hours of Operation

Golf Shop

8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. daily

Turnhouse

8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. daily

Summit Restaurant & Buffalo Bar

CLOSED Monday-Wednesday
5:00-9:00 p.m. Thursday & Sunday
5:00-10:00 p.m. Friday & Saturday

Shangri-La Marina and Ship Store

9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Monday-Saturday
CLOSED Sunday

The Spa at Shangri-La

9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Thursday-Sunday

Doc's Bar & Grill

At Shangri-La Resort Hotel

7:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m. Sunday-Thursday
7:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m. Friday-Saturday

The Anchor Activity Park

11:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m. Sunday-Thursday
10:00 a.m.-midnight Friday & Saturday

The Galley at The Anchor

CLOSED Monday-Tuesday
4:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. Wednesday-Friday
11:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m. Saturday-Sunday

The Monkey Grind

Sunday-Saturday - 7:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Eddy's Lakeside Bar

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