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Suggested Links:

<http://www.powerboat-reports.com/index.html>

<http://www.boatus.com>

<http://www.abycinc.org>

<http://www.clueshipwrecks.com>

<http://www.ohiodnr.com/Default.aspx?alias=www.ohiodnr.com/watercraft>

<http://oceanservice.noaa.gov/dataexplorer>

<http://www.midamericaboating.com/index.html>



In 1998, Parker Bros. Fiberglass became PARKER MARINE INC. (PMI). Dick Parker is President of the new corporation and Debbie Parker serves as Vice President. The change in the name was made to more accurately reflect the services now being performed. Rebuilding and repair projects were now involving electrical, plumbing, mechanical, as well as electronic and air conditioning systems. The company philosophies of attention to detail, craftsmanship and professionalism that have been implemented throughout the past two decades are still the basis for which the company strives.

During this same year, PMI acquired boat moving and lifting equipment, and a lease on a 30,000 square foot storage building and marina facility, which now put the company in a position to serve customers with year round boat storage as well as service and repair. During the next few years, the service and repair shop grew to 6,000 square feet. That facility layout was the PMI home, until October of 2008.

In 2004, Dick and Debbie's oldest son, Bryan, earned his degree from Ohio State University in Mechanical Engineering and joined the business full time; will he steer the ship into the next generation? Stay tuned!

2008 marked the 30th anniversary for the company, and it was celebrated by making the biggest move yet. The family owned business purchased a 5 acre site immediately to the West of where it had been doing business for the past two decades, in addition to the 2 acre marina facility on the Black River directly across the street. A 10,000 square foot warehouse facility on the new site underwent an extreme makeover, with extensive renovation and structural changes to become the new PMI Boat Shop!

Spring is an important time with regards to your boat. Improper springtime attention to your boats' hull, systems and/or engine could lead to a summer of troubles. Safety should be your highest priority since you and others will be out on the water using your boat. Once away from the dock you will be without options in an emergency. If you are not well versed on your boats' engine, electrical system or fiberglass and structural integrity, then we suggest you locate an expert to go over those with you.

Your boat needs to be dewinterized properly and all systems checked to make sure they are in good working order. Any spider cracking or other chips and cracks in your boat could mean there is an underlying issue that should be checked out. A lot of the times it is just cosmetic and not a safety issue but you would want to make sure.

Parker Marine, Inc. is capable of taking care of all these and any other needs you may have at our one central location. Stop on in and we will be glad to discuss this with you!



What can we do to help you?

We can help in so many ways. No hassle winter inside or outside storage, any type of fiberglass repair whether it be major or minor, all electrical repairs or upgrades, all electronic repair or upgrades, all plumbing repairs or upgrades, air conditioning installation, engine or transmission repairs or rebuilding or repower, total refinishing of deck and hull, and complete maintenance of your boat both inside and out from top to bottom.

Our complete fiberglass repair facility can handle a simple scratch to a major rebuild. Our craftsmen are experts at everything from gelcoat matching to complete structural rebuilding and everything in-between. We are known for our "attention to detail".

We can completely rewire your boat, bringing it up to current ABYC standards. From replacing a bilge pump float switch or fuel line, to replacing a freshwater or holding tank to adding a new battery bank or charger to installing a generator.

Isn't it time you joined the Parker Marine Family?

Current economical condition is making it very difficult for consumers to obtain a loan for new cars and boats. But it is a great time to consider fixing up your present boat to "like-new" condition and even adding features to it that you had always wanted. Just as with televisions and cellphones, marine electronics have made some significant upgrades in GPS, radar and fishfinder systems that make not having them unthinkable. Haven't you always wanted to have air conditioning on those steamy hot evenings on the boat? Bring in that "wish list" to us and let's see what we can do for you!