For lake enthusiasts, it's the most wonderful time of the year - three major boat shows in the area make it the time of year to see the latest in boat models and technology and bring opportunities for boat show deals, just in time for the spring season.

The first boat show of the season was held in January at the Fredericksburg Expo Center and was a huge success. The two upcoming areas shows are sure to be big hits as well!

The 29th Annual Richmond Boat Show will be held February 17-19th at the Richmond Raceway Complex.

The 22nd Annual National Capital Boat Show will be held March 10-12th at the Dulles Expo Center.

Lake Anna will be well represented at these shows - stop by to see boat dealers and services from the area & around the region!

U.S. Geological Survey mapping on Lake Anna to study earthquake hazards in Central Virginia

By Mark W. Carter

The U.S. Geological Survey is conducting geologic mapping in Louisa, Spotsylvania and Orange Counties and on Lake Anna, research that began soon after a Magnitude 5.8 earthquake struck near Mineral, Virginia on August 23, 2011. The Mineral earthquake was the largest quake to strike Virginia in more than 100 years, and the largest tremor to impact the eastern United States since the Magnitude 7.0 Charleston, South Carolina earthquake in 1886. The USGS "Did You Feel It" website recorded experiences from nearly 150,000 people, from southern Canada to northern Florida, and as far west as Chicago. The USGS estimates that approximately one-third of the U.S. population felt this quake, more than any other in U.S. history. Damage reports came from southern Virginia to as far north as Brooklyn, New York, with extensive damage in Louisa County, and in Washington, D.C. to structures such as the Washington Monument. The size of the 2011 earthquake was a surprise. Prior to the Magnitude 5.8 tremor, the largest earthquake to strike central Virginia was a Magnitude 4.5 in December 2003. Both quakes occurred in an area of seismic activity known as the Central Virginia Seismic Zone, which extends from Fredericksburg to Farmville, and from Lynchburg to Richmond. Earthquakes have been recorded in this region since the 1700s; Thomas Jefferson even noted in one of his diaries an earthquake shaking his home, Monticello.

Immediately following the earthquake, the USGS and its partners mobilized scientists to Louisa County to document property damage, look for natural features like rock slides and sand blows produced by the intense ground shaking, and set up seismographs to record the intense aftershock sequence. Nearly 400 seismographs were placed in basements of homes (continued on page 3)

Lake Anna...Then & Now

For those of us who live near or visit Lake Anna, it's hard to imagine a time that the picturesque body of water wasn't there. As you can see from the photo above, when the lake was filled, there were very few houses along the waterfront -- something markedly different from the same view of today.

Over the last 40 years, the lake area has grown and changed quite a bit, with the construction of a Food Lion grocery store, several restaurants, and other commercial ventures that have used the creation of the lake to start successful businesses, including a healthy real estate market, several marinas, and other water-related services.

The demographics of Lake Anna have changed, as well, with the first two decades of the lake's growth attributed largely to vacationers and second home buyers. Over the last two decades, more and more buyers are relocating to Lake Anna full time and putting down roots in the area. Included among these families are David (continued on page 3)
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and businesses, and others were buried in shallow holes in the ground, to record seismic vibrations from the earthquakes. Data from the seismographs allowed scientists to accurately locate the earthquakes, and determine their magnitude and depth below the ground surface.

Seismographs placed after the main shock recorded hundreds of aftershocks—smaller earthquakes that occur in response to faulting during a large earthquake. Because scientists placed so many seismographs in the area after the main shock, the 2011 Mineral aftershock sequence was by far the best recorded for an eastern U.S. earthquake. These seismic data showed that the main fault zone, called the Quail fault, is still moving in response to the main earthquake, and that three smaller faults—the Fredericks Hall fault, a fault near Cuckoo, and a small, shallow fault northeast of Quail—have formed in response to the main earthquake. The aftershock data also allowed more precise location of the earthquake's epicenter, which was close to the South Anna River near its confluence with Indian Creek.

USGS scientists found several rock falls, riverbank collapses, and a few sand blow liquefaction features, mostly near the community of Yanceyville, shortly after the main shock. Liquefaction occurs when intense seismic shaking causes water-saturated sand to lose its structural integrity. The process can be slow and subtle, or fast and catastrophic. In some cases, liquefaction led to the formation of sand volcanoes during the 2011 quake. Scientists surveyed riverbanks across the Central Virginia Seismic Zone and found 19 places where these markers of old earthquakes still exist. By dating and mapping these features, scientists have concluded that central Virginia has probably experienced at least two magnitude 6+ earthquakes in the past 5,000 years.

By age dating and mapping these features, scientists have concluded that central Virginia has probably experienced at least two magnitude 6+ earthquakes in the past 5,000 years. The USGS and its VA DMME partners are now mapping in the vicinity of Lake Anna, and along the James River in Goochland County, to trace several major faults across the Central Virginia Seismic Zone and to look for evidence of past earthquakes.

Evidence for past earthquake activity comes in many forms. Detailed geologic mapping shows that many 400- to 300-million-year-old faults were reactivated about 200 million years ago, when the North American continent separated from the African continent to form the Atlantic Ocean. The few of these faults show evidence for more recent movement. For example, a fault near Everona, Virginia on U.S. 322 south of Culpeper cuts through river gravels that may be less than 1 million years old. In Louisa County, similar river gravels along the South Anna River appear to be broadly arched upward, suggesting faults and/or earthquakes have been active over the last 50,000 years. Some of the best evidence, however, comes from paleoliquefaction features, discovered by the USGS and its partners over the past few years. Paleoliquefaction features are the preserved remnants of ancient earthquakes, formed by the same liquefaction processes that created sand blows and sand volcanoes during the 2011 quake. Scientists surveyed riverbanks across the Central Virginia Seismic Zone and found 19 places where these markers of old earthquakes still exist. By dating and mapping these features, scientists have concluded that central Virginia has probably experienced at least two magnitude 6+ earthquakes in the past 5,000 years.

So what do the results of this science mean for residents of Louisa and surrounding counties? Is another big earthquake expected in the near future? Of course, the USGS cannot predict when the next quake in the Central Virginia Seismic Zone will occur. But what is certain is that earthquakes here will continue. The data collected to date shows that earthquakes have struck central Virginia in the past, and will likely continue into the future. However, the data also show that the larger quakes occur infrequently, with hundreds, if not thousands, of years in between the largest tremors. Therefore, residents in central Virginia should expect to experience small to moderate earthquakes in the future, but should also be prepared if a larger magnitude event were to strike again.

Basic earthquake preparations are the same as for other natural disasters: Keep plenty of fully charged batteries and bottled water on hand for power outages. And in earthquake-prone areas like Central Virginia, strap water heaters and large bookshelves to the wall so they don’t topple over and cause damage during an earthquake. Most importantly, be aware and practice the earthquake response drill: Drop, Cover, and Hold On.

These tips and many others are discussed in USGS General Information Product 119: “Putting Down Roots in Earthquake Country.” Although this handbook is written for the central United States, its seven steps to earthquake safety are applicable to any earthquake-prone area, such as central Virginia. The handbook is available from the U.S. Geological Survey and online at http://pubs.usgs.gov/gip/119/.

Mark Carter is a Research Geologist who heads the USGS team conducting earthquake research in the Central Virginia Seismic Zone. He is also a Louisa County resident and his family experienced first-hand the damaged that occurred on August 23, 2011 and the many aftershocks since. Much of the scientific data presented in this article can be found in The Geological Society of America Special Paper 509: “The 2011 Mineral Virginia Earthquake and Its Significance for Seismic Hazards in Eastern North America,” edited by J. Wright Horton, Jr., Martin C. Chapman, and Russell A. Green. A copy of the volume is available for in-house reading in the Louisa County Branch of the Jefferson-Madison Regional Library, and online at http://specialpapers.gsapubs.org/content/509/1.
Local dance troupe The Millenium Movers will be hosting their first ever Pa-JAM-a Dance Party on Saturday, February 25th at the Performing Arts Dance Studio in Louisa. Open to kids aged 5-12, participants are invited to put on their grooviest PJs and Boogie Slippers to enjoy a night of music, dancing, refreshments and more! 

Kids must register by Friday, February 17th - the cost is $10 each and $8 each for additional siblings. For more information, please feel free to email milleniummoversdance@gmail.com.

The Life and Career of John Mercer Langston Saturday, February 18th 10:30-noon
As a result of helping pull together the stories for Old Home Places of Louisa County Revisited, author Linda Salisbury became interested in writing a fresh life history of this important African-American leader born in Louisa County. Sharing his alma mater, Linda’s new book is an engaging fresh narrative. Join us as she presents the highlights of this fascinating story. Copies of her book will be available for purchase. Free at the Sargeant Museum. 214 Fredericksburg Ave in Louisa.

Hearth Cooking- Fine Virginia Cuisine Friday February 17th 10-4
Drawing from the early Virginia cookbooks, those attending this session at the hearth will create and enjoy eating some of the finest Virginia fare: Beef with stuffing and smothered with gravy, baked apples filled with pudding, seasonal vegetables and a yummy dessert. Wear long pants and tie shoes. Age 17 and up. $25 Call 540-967-4420 to register.

Antique & Art Appraisal Fair Saturday, Feb. 25th 10am - 2pm
The Louisa County Historical Society and Quinn’s Auction Galleries are proud to announce Saturday, February 25th as the date of our 1st Annual Antiques & Art Appraisal Fair. Matthew Quinn from Antiques Roadshow will be the featured appraiser along with three other specialists including Skip Usry, Managing Director of Quinn’s. The event will run from 10am until 2pm (or until everyone's items have been evaluated). Admission is $5. Attendees may bring up to two items apiece; there will be a $10 fee for each appraisal (which includes admission) with all proceeds going to benefit the Louisa County Historical Society. Kids 16 and under will get in for free. In addition to the public evaluations, there will be a brief discussion about downsizing, a behind-the-scenes look at the cataloging process, and an opportunity to practice your skills on the auction block. Food and drink will be available for purchase throughout the day. Quinn’s Auction Galleries is located at 8845 Three Notch Road, Louisa, VA 23093 only two miles from Exit 136 on I-64. For more information please call (434) 293-2904. We look forward to seeing everyone on February 25th!

World War I Battle in the Skies Sunday, March 5th 2:00 pm
Between their formation in 1912 and their amalgamation into the Royal Air Force in 1918, the Royal Flying Corps played a vital role as the eyes of the British Army during the First World War. Initially having to pay for their own training at the start of the war at the height of social class conflict, becoming a pilot was easily attainable by only the elite. But, as the war went on and times were desperate, more pilots came from the lower classes. Studying one of the most famous squadrons of the war, 56 Squadron, you get an intimate glimpse at what went on in the Mess Halls, on furloughs, and on the aerodrome when men from all walks of life were forced to work together under a single cause. Join returning presenter Abby Whitlock for this sure to please presentation. Free at the Sargeant Museum.
Scenes from Lake Anna

Photos by Anna Barnes

Vickie Burchner sent in this collection of photos displaying fun in the water.

Darlene Sword submitted this photo of a beautiful Lake Anna cove.

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March Madness!
By Charlie Bowles - Charlie@CVOfishing.com
Fishing Guide, Bass Pro Shops & Lowrance Pro-Staff

It’s about more than just college basketball... March marks the end of cold blustery winter weather and the beginning of longer warmer days. For an angler, it means it’s time to go fishing! Below is a quick overview of what to expect for March on Lake Anna.

Bass
When the water reaches the magic temperature of 55 degrees Bass will “stage” or move towards the shallower creeks and coves. During this period the Bass will “wake up” and get much more active than they have been in the winter. The lower end of the lake is going to warm before any other area. Duke’s, Valentina Cove, Levy Creek, Rockland Creek, and Duke’s Creek will be great areas to concentrate your efforts. Use ¾ ounce to 1 ounce Spinnerbaits, 5” Jerkbaits, and ¾ ounce swimjigs and swimbaits. Don’t forget your favorite variety of finesse baits when the bite gets a little tougher or you are trying to follow up the other baits. I also like to use lizards and senko type baits on a Carolina rig. This technique allows you to cover a lot of water and detect changes in the bottom.

Striper
Many of the larger Stripers in March will be caught in the main rivers near Terry’s run, S-turns, Christopher run, and Duck in hole creek. ¾ ounce to 1 ounce Swimbaits and Jerkbaits will be very productive in these areas. If you are a live bait fisherman use a shallow presentation during lowlight and overcast days. During bright sunlight go out to deeper feeding flots and use down lines.

Crappie
Watch for Crappie to move towards shallow water... There will be thousands of slabs in shallow brush rocks and docks. Grubs and minnows will lead the cooler.
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Sip and Paint with Bandit
Friday, April 21st at Lake Anna Winery
Come and join us along with the good folks at paint and sip and take home a painting of Lake Anna’s own Bandit! He recently has had his 7th birthday and we are hoping that you will help him celebrate!!

BOAT SHOWS

February-March; various dates and venues
The Louisa/Mineral area will be flocking to area boat shows in the coming months at the following locations:

Richmond Boat Show
February 17-19 @ The Richmond Raceway Complex

National Capital Boat Show
March 10-12 @ Dulles Expo Center
Visit each of these shows to see the latest boat models, accessories, technology, and much more. We’d love to see your photos from the show! E-mail them to taylor@lakeannabreeze.com

Godspell Jr.
March 10-12 @ Louisa Arts Center
The popular LAC Youth Theatre returns! This is a timeless tale of friendship, loyalty, and love based on the Broadway musical that took the world by storm. Godspell Jr. is a sensation that continues to touch audiences. A group of young disciples help Jesus Christ tell his parables through song, dance, and a hefty dose of comic timing. Dissolving hauntingly into the Last Supper and Resurrection, Jesus’ messages of kindness, tolerance, and love come to life. Songs include DAY BY DAY, ALL GOOD GIFTS, BLESS THE LORD MY SOUL, PREPARE YE, and LIGHT OF THE WORLD. Godspell... always a crowd pleaser! For more info or tickets: louisaarts.org

Culpeper Downtown Restaurant Week
March 6-12 @ Downtown Culpeper
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March 8-12 @ Greater Richmond Convention Center
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Southern Women’s Show
March 17-19 @ Richmond Raceway Complex
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Downtown Orange Easter Egg Hunt
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March 8-12 @ Greater Richmond Convention Center
Come see us at the upcoming boat shows!
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Chantilly: March 10-12

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Shenandoah Shenanigans Whisky Party
March 18th; 11am-2pm @ Virginia Distillery Company
Join us for a special St. Patrick’s Day celebration on Saturday, March 18th from 11am-2pm. We’ll have SweetHeart Bakery’s mini Greencharger Mint cupcakes on hand (they taste just like a Thin Mint!); and the first 100 guests will get a free cupcake. Together, Sadie will be performing from 1:30pm and a food truck (details coming soon) will keep us well fed all day! http://www.vadistillery.com/events/shenandoah-shenanigans-whisky-party/
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You’ve finally done it - you have your lake house. Now, how to personalize it and make sure you preserve that genuine “lake feel”? The folks at local shop Lake is Great specialize in finding lake themed decor and accessories, along with t-shirts, drinkware, etc.

Some of the most popular items include lake themed signs, such as the ones pictured above. While many customers comment that it’s easy to find beach themed merchandise, it sometimes proves to be more difficult to find lake themed items. Lake is Great scours many different sources to try to find the best selection, making it easy for lake enthusiasts to be able to fill their home with items that optimize the lake feel.

The Lake is Great Store is open 7 days a week (10am-6pm Monday - Saturday; 10am - 4pm Sunday) - stop in at 208 Lake Front Drive in Mineral to see the latest finds!

Keeping the Lake in Mind

For an everyday make-up look, putting a little mascara on your eyelashes is great. If you want a really dramatic look and you want your eyes to really stand out, give false eyelashes a try. Head over to the beauty aisle and there is quite a selection. It can seem a bit overwhelming. There are strip lashes and individuals.

Strip lashes are great. All you have to do is apply glue and place them on your lash line. If you take care of them you can use them multiple times. There are a couple different styles you can choose from. If you are looking for a more natural look, choose a pair that are subtle and fine. These are great to wear for an everyday makeup look, casual evening event or anytime you want to add a little more emphasis to your eyes.

When you are looking for a little more intense lashes, try ones that are full volume. These can be used for parties, or formal occasions. If you find ones that are super thick and bold, these would be great for costumes, plays, or photography shoots.

It might take a bit of practice when you first start putting on the lashes. When I first started putting on lashes, I had some difficulties. With practice it gets easier and I’ve learned some tricks along the way. Make sure to use decent eyelash glue. From my experience, I love using DUO eyelash glue - there is clear or black color and both are good. Measure the lash strip and make sure it fits your eye. If it’s too long, snap off the extra length. I also noticed if the strip itself is very flexible, the eyelashes are easier to put on and they don’t feel as heavy. In the eyelash world, more expensive doesn’t mean better. I have used expensive strips and cheaper brands, and some of the cheaper pairs have been the best. Place a tiny amount of glue on the lash line. Once the glue is placed on the lash line, give it a few seconds to get tacky. Then slowly apply it to the lash line. Some use tweezers, or you can use your fingers. Within a few minutes, the glue dries completely and you have beautiful lashes.

Individual lashes are nice if you want to customize your eyelash look. The box is full of individual lashes or small eyelash clusters, that can be placed on the lash line with glue that is especially for individual lashes. This process is little more time consuming but the lashes last longer. False eyelashes might seem like a small thing, but it can make a big difference to your overall look.

False Eyelashes 101 by Heather Mechler-Fickes
J&J Tile and Marble, Inc. is a local family owned business in Fredericksburg. J&J Tile and Marble was established in Virginia in 2005. They specialize in quality floor and wall tile from around the globe, offered at great prices. J&J Tile and Marble also offers design and installation services from a kitchen backsplash to a complete restoration project. Many of its satisfied customers are from the Lake Anna area with plenty of references upon request.

In 2004 John Fricchione Sr. and John Fricchione Jr. would frequently visit son James Fricchione. James was a Gunnery Sergeant in the Marines Corps at the time, stationed at Quantico. While visiting, the Fricchiones often went to Lake Anna for some fishing, swimming and cooking out. The scenery is absolutely beautiful and meeting some of the most genuine people anywhere, made the decision to relocate a no brainer for this tile family. One year later the family moved to Fredericksburg and opened J&J Tile and Marble. The decision has proven to be a good one. The business is a tremendous success and has made family life even better. Thanks to all the wonderful people who welcomed the family into the community. No father and two sons, along with their families all reside here. Although the business has flourished the love for Lake Anna and its inhabitants have kept the family owned business from opening on Sundays. Sundays are reserved for church services and fun at the lake. “After a long week of work, Lake Anna helps us all rejuvenate and get ready for the next. We would like to thank everyone in Virginia for accepting and supporting our business. Without you our business success would not have been possible.”

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