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Calling all Horseshoe Crab fans and admirers!

Mark your calendar for the "Get Downe Horseshoe Crab Festival", May 31 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., held in beautiful Fortescue.

Featuring presentations and information about Horseshoe Crabs by ERDG (The Ecological Research and Development Group), PDE (Partnership for the Delaware Estuary) and others.

The Fortescue Captains and Boat Owners Association is on board and will have a few surprises of their own.

"Horseshoe Crab Beach Walks" will be scheduled during the day as well as music with performances by The Snake Brothers, Jericho Road. and Steve Byrne and more including exhibits featuring local artisans, crafts people, and food.

We also invite all of Downe's great photos bugs to enter their photos of Downe Township in the "Scenic Downe Photo Contest"!

Entries and winners to be exhibited at the festival.

Join us to celebrate the 5th anniversary our community voted to establish a Horseshoe Crab Sanctuary, in partnership with ERDG, in Fortescue.

This community-based sanctuary is the first of its kind in New Jersey.

So this comes as no surprise because Downe Township has a long history of respecting its local natural environment for its beauty, its abundance, and how it enriches our daily lives.

Join in the fun to learn the importance "Horseshoe Crabs" celebrate our community and ensure that future generations continue to enjoy the yearly spectacle of their spawning.

For more information visit www.downebythebay.org or call Kary Wilson-Dunkel at 856-297-1699.

Thanks!

— Kary