



## Horseshoe Crab Spawning in Ocean City

Date: **Friday, June 9, 2017**

Time: **7:30 PM to 9 PM**

Description: Horseshoe crabs are fascinating creatures. They are considered living fossils, because they didn't change much for 450 million years! Horseshoe crabs live in shallow ocean water and eat mainly mollusks. In May and June, they can be observed when they come up on some beaches to lay their eggs. This happens only at high tides on full moon and new moon nights. This year we are lucky that one of these days falls on a Friday, and high tide is not in the middle of the night (although it might be a little late for very young kids.) Please bring a flashlight and shoes that can get wet.

Number of spaces available: No limit! **Please sign up for the event at [www.actforbays.org/coastkids](http://www.actforbays.org/coastkids), or by calling the Assateague Coastal Trust office at 410-629-1538. Leave a message with your name, phone number, and number of participating kids.** The event is free for members and costs \$3.00 per child for non-members.

Directions: **The event is located on the bayside of the Ocean City inlet on the little beach next to the Oceanic Motel on 1st Street.**

*From Salisbury/Berlin:* Take Rt. 50 E into Ocean City. Turn right onto S Philadelphia Ave. The Oceanic Motel is at the very end of S Philadelphia Ave. If you can't find a parking spot right by the motel, please park at the inlet parking lot (follow signs) two blocks away.