

May is Lyme Disease Awareness Month

**It's important for you and your
family to be tick free.**

Tuesday, May 15th, 7 PM

**Livingston Town Hall
119 County Route 19
Livingston, NY 12541**

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(518) 851-2270**

Ticks can spread disease. Not all ticks can cause disease, not all bites can make you sick. It is important to learn how to prevent a bite, how to remove a tick and what to do if you think you have a tick-borne disease. Come hear from our experts on how to protect your family and pets and still be able to enjoy your yards and gardens.

Victoria McGahan Columbia County Health Department

Victoria McGahan, MS, CHES (Certified Health Education Specialist), is the Public Health Educator for Columbia County. Ms. McGahan who has her Master's Degree in Community Health Education specializes in providing information on prevention to help communities get and stay healthy.

Dr. Janette Relyea DVM Medical Director of Rhinebeck Animal Hospital

Dr. Relyea, has been an associate veterinarian of Rhinebeck Animal Hospital for 26 years. Dr. Relyea will discuss Lyme Disease in companion animals. Topics will include testing, prevention, symptoms and treatment. She will also highlight the differences in Lyme Disease between dogs and humans.

Donna Peterson Horticulture Educator and Master Gardner Volunteer Coordinator with Cornell Cooperative Extension of Columbia and Greene Counties

Donna Peterson will provide information on how to greatly reduce the tick population in the areas around the house. She will also provide information for a skin-applied repellent for ticks and / or mosquitoes. The Cooperative Extension offices in both Acra and Hudson do accept tick samples for identification.