

# Assemblyman Angelo Santabarbara: Learn how to protect your family from **LYME DISEASE**

“With summer upon us and as we get ready to spend more time outdoors, it’s important to know about the risk of Lyme disease and tick-borne illnesses. Join me for this special event that can provide you with important information that can protect you and your family.”

– **Assemblyman Santabarbara**



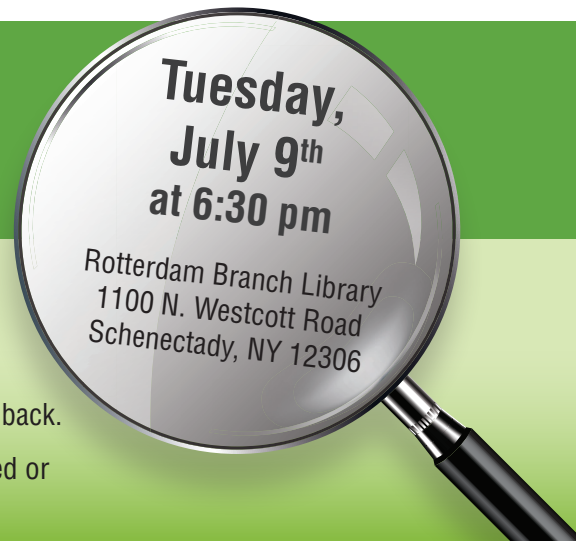
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**You're invited!**

Join **Assemblyman Santabarbara** and the NYS Department of Health in learning about **LYME DISEASE PREVENTION**

Lyme disease is a bacterial infection transmitted by a tick bite that, if left untreated, can affect the heart, liver or central nervous system. The first symptoms often include a red "bull's-eye" rash at the site of the bite, chills, fever, fatigue, headache and muscle pain.



**Tips to minimize your risk:**



- When in wooded or grassy areas, stay on well-traveled paths and avoid heavy vegetation.
- Wear light-colored long pants and a long sleeved shirt and tuck pants into socks and shirts into pants.
- Once indoors, do a thorough check of your clothes and your entire body, paying particular attention to the backs of knees, behind the ears, the scalp and back.
- Check your children and pets for attached or crawling ticks.

Assemblyman Angelo Santabarbara: **Questions? Need more information? I'm here to help.**  
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