



# Hudson River Valley Chapter Newsletter

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## Useful & Helpful Links

<http://www.asse.org>  
*Link to the National ASSE webpage for information on great topics in EH&S.*

<http://hudsonrivervalley.asse.org>  
*Link to the Hudson River Valley Chapter web page. Information on the Local items and events as well as good information. Check us out.*

<https://www.cdc.gov/>  
*Link to the Center for Disease Control. Great current information on health items to help protect us all through illness controlling and prevention.*

Hotlinks in articles are in **Bold Red font.**

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## Hudson River Valley Chapter Awarded at Safety 2017, Denver, CO.

Time to celebrate once again. We have just learned that our Chapter, Hudson River Valley Chapter, made its presence known again at the Safety 2017 conference being held in June 2017 in Denver, CO where it was awarded GOLD Chapter status for the year 2016 – 2017. This award is because of the tremendous amount of work done by the Board led by President Mr. Thomas Lyons during this time period. A special THANK YOU to Mr. Lyons and the Board Member team, as well as all of those who contributed to that effort by serving on various committees, and assisted in planning our PDC Conference. This award was presented to the Chapter during the Chapter Recognition Luncheon on Tuesday, June 20, 2017 at Safety 2017, the ASSE Professional Development Conference in Denver, CO. Congratulations to all for your hard work in helping to achieve this award for our Chapter.

Job Well Done!

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## Hudson River Valley Chapter Represented At Safety 2017 Denver, CO.

Our Chapter was represented at Safety 2017 by President Mr. Thomas Lyons, and our 2017 Delegate David Montalvo. While there they had the opportunity to pick-up our 2016 Chapter Gold Award This was David's first conference and he stated "Would like to thank everyone for approving sponsoring my trip to the ASSE Conference. It was an amazing experience and I really gained a lot of insight and useful knowledge to become a better and more focused Safety Professional. I actually got to meet The President of ASSE Thomas F. Cecich and spoke to him about our Chapter and myself. I should have thought of taking a picture with him but it didn't cross my mind at that time. But anyway again thank you all." Dave and TJ with award.



## Hudson River Valley Chapter Bylaws Changes Approved.

The Hudson River Valley Chapter of ASSE has recently undertaken the task to update, amend, and or modify the Chapter Bylaws. This task was completed and finalized when official notification was received that the bylaws were approved and now in force. This process started with the Chapter Board members reading through the bylaws and submitting comments on what changes were they thought were necessary. This led to discussions both in person and telephone calls to understand and agree on the suggested change or modification. After the Board Members agreed and approved the changes, it was sent to the Region VIII Area Director, Ms. Shaundree Davis, who in-turn reviewed and discussed with the Chapter President each modification before submitting it for final review. Once the Area Director signed off on them, Ms. Davis then had to submit them to the Region VIII Vice President, Mr. Aaron Cameron to become 'Approved'. To view the approved changes follow this link to the Chapter web page and click on the Hudson River Valley Chapter Bylaws on the left hand side of the page. Here is the link;

<http://hudsonrivervalley.asse.org/files/>

## Lyme and Ticks - why you should be careful and a new visitor.

TJ Lyons, our chapter president went for a hike on a cut grass trail with his two sons and grandsons in June. When they returned about 30 minutes later, his son Andy won the award for having 27 ticks looking for a home – on him. The children had no less than 12 each. Everyone stayed on the trails. The ticks apparently planned for that.

Of interest is a new type of tick found in Massachusetts we can expect will visit New York as well. A more aggressive tick the **Lone Star** is noted that "...Unlike other ticks, the bite of a Lone Star actually hurts. ... They are capable of moving three to four times faster than other tick species." Though it does not carry Lyme (for now I guess) it is a parasite and carries plenty of things to dread. To read more on this type of tick, please follow this link;

[http://www.lowellsun.com/todaysheadlines/ci\\_29777807/just-time-spring-tick-extra-aggressive#ixzz4mA2sk33T](http://www.lowellsun.com/todaysheadlines/ci_29777807/just-time-spring-tick-extra-aggressive#ixzz4mA2sk33T)

The official Center for Disease Control (CDC) 2016 Map of Lyme Cases in the Northeast.

