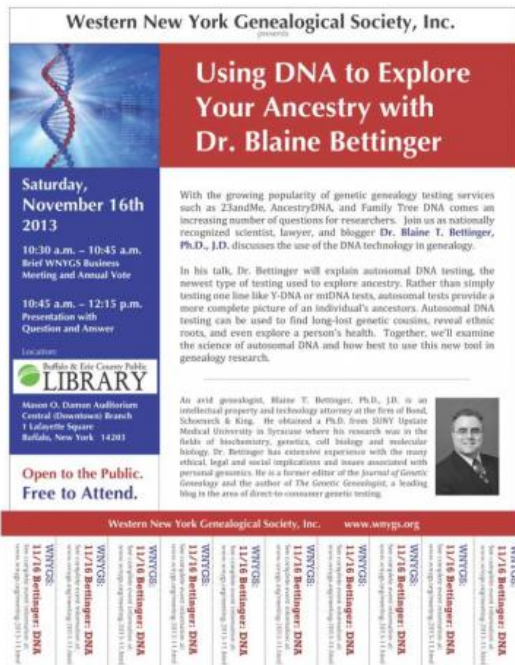


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**Using DNA to Explore Your Ancestry with Dr. Blaine Bettinger**

**Saturday, November 16th 2013**

10:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.  
Brief WNYGS Business Meeting and Annual Vote

10:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.  
Presentation with Question and Answer

Location:  
**Buffalo & Erie County Public LIBRARY**  
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**Open to the Public.  
Free to Attend.**

With the growing popularity of genetic genealogy testing services such as 23andMe, AncestryDNA, and Family Tree DNA comes an increasing number of questions for researchers. Join us as nationally recognized scientist, lawyer, and blogger **Dr. Blaine T. Bettinger, Ph.D., J.D.** discusses the use of the DNA technology in genealogy.

In his talk, Dr. Bettinger will explain autosomal DNA testing, the newest type of testing used to explore ancestry. Rather than simply testing one line like Y-DNA or mtDNA tests, autosomal tests provide a more complete picture of an individual's ancestors. Autosomal DNA testing can be used to find long-lost genetic cousins, reveal ethnic roots, and even explore a person's health. Together, we'll examine the science of autosomal DNA and how best to use this new tool in genealogy research.

An avid genealogist, Blaine T. Bettinger, Ph.D., J.D. is an intellectual property and technology attorney at the firm of Best, Schwenck & King. He obtained a Ph.D. from SUNY Syracuse Medical University in Syracuse where his research was in the fields of biochemistry, genetics, cell biology and molecular biology. Dr. Bettinger has extensive experience with the many ethical, legal and social implications and issues associated with personal genomics. He is a former editor of the *Journal of Genetic Genealogy* and the author of *The Genetic Genealogist*, a leading blog in the area of direct-to-consumer genetic testing.

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