

Blaine Bettinger, Ph.D., J.D.



Blaine Bettinger, the Genetic Genealogist, is well known in the genealogical community for his expertise at the intersection of traditional genealogical techniques and modern genetic research. Dr. Bettinger is a professional genealogist specializing in the use of DNA evidence to solve difficult problems.

Blaine co-authored, with Debbie Parker Wayne, *Genetic Genealogy in Practice*, used this year as a guide in GRIVA's DNA SIG. He is also the author of *The Family Tree Guide to DNA Testing and Genetic Genealogy*. One of the first bloggers in the field, he maintains *The Genetic Genealogist* <thegeneticgenealogist.com> where he shares the latest news and developments in the field of genetic genealogy and personal genomics. He can also be found at Facebook.

Genealogists have taken his courses at IGHR (Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research), SLIG (Salt Lake Institute of Genealogy), GRIP (Genealogical Research Institute of Pittsburgh), and VIGR (Virtual Institute of Genealogical Research). A five-part series, *Foundations in DNA*, as well as a variety of other DNA webinars, can be viewed at Family Tree Webinars. He lectures at national, state, and local conferences, and has contributed to popular, genealogical, and genetic articles.

Blaine is a graduate of ProGen Study Group 21, a trustee for the New York Genealogical and Biographical Society's Board of Trustees, and a board member for the Association of Professional Genealogists.

He earned his J.D. from Syracuse University School of Law. His practice focuses on patents, copyrights, and trademarks. He earned his Ph.D. in Biochemistry with a concentration in genetics from the State University of New York, Upstate Medical University.

Glen Allen High School

9:00 am **Registration**

9:30 am **Welcome**

9:45 am ***Using Autosomal DNA to Explore Your Ancestry***

In the beginning we only had Y-DNA and mtDNA to explore our genetic heritage. Now, autosomal DNA reveals far more information. Ethnicity can be estimated, long-lost cousins found, and specific genealogical problems solved.

11:15 am ***Are You Doing Everything to Identify Your DNA Matches?***

We will examine multiple techniques to identify your matches based on their profile. Then use the "In Common With" and the "Shared Matches" tools to estimate how that elusive match is related to you.

12:15 pm **Lunch**

1:30 pm ***Using Autosomal DNA for 18th and 19th Century Mysteries***

DNA from our ancestors who lived in the 1800s, 1700s, and earlier survives in their descendants. Learn how to use autosomal DNA to solve genealogical mysteries and overcome brick walls. We'll examine case studies of how others have solved 18th and 19th century mysteries.

3:00 pm ***Using DNA Painter to Map Your DNA***

DNA painter is one of the newest third-party tools available to genealogists. An easy-to-use online service, DNA painter enables you to assign shared DNA segments to a map of your chromosomes. This allows you to see which ancestors might have given which piece of DNA, and thus how new matches are related.

Vendors will be present all day!

Breakfast items and treats throughout the day!

Door Prizes!

Bring your return address labels for the raffle!

Registration Form

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Registration Fees:

GRIVA member \$60 _____

GRIVA non-member..... \$70 _____

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Notes:

1. Pre-registration is highly recommended. Registrations will be received at the door, but lunch cannot be guaranteed.
2. A box lunch and beverage are included in the registration fee. Please note any dietary restriction.
3. Not a GRIVA member? Include \$15 (\$20 for a family) for your 2018-2019 membership.
4. Confirmation will be sent by e-mail. To receive confirmation by USPS mail, include a self-addressed, stamped postcard.
5. See GRIVA's website (GRIVA.org) for additional registration forms.
6. GRIVA is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit, educational organization.
7. Questions? Call Emily Rusk, 804-744-6492, or e-mail esgr.6106@gmail.com.

Return this form and your check made payable to GRIVA to:

Emily Rusk
14014 Walnut Creek Road
Midlothian VA 23112-4210

(Remember to complete surname exchange on reverse.)

FIND A COUSIN Surname Exchange

Members and friends can make their research interests known during the conference. Please contribute three family lines you are researching. A printout will be available at registration. You'll have all day to find your cousin!

(Example: Jones, late 18th C, York Co, VA)

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