

## August 2018 Newsletter

We have great news! The keynote speaker for the PASS Summit WIT Luncheon has been announced. Lauri Bingham, the Director of Technology for the Engineering Project Management office at T-Mobile will speak on “Mobilizing Your Own Grassroots Movement to Empower Gender Diversity in Technology.” We can talk about diversity ad nauseum, but what can we do to make a difference. Lauri will tell us in this session.

If you have not yet registered for PASS Summit, be sure to use our group’s discount code, **VGDISO09**, to save \$150.

One of the main goals of this group is to help women in our community become speakers at events like SQLSaturday and PASS Summit. Being a frequent speaker has so many benefits to your career. Who knows, you may even become an MVP some day! As women, we are working hard every day; we have so much knowledge to share with the community. Please reach out to us ([witvc@sqlpass.org](mailto:witvc@sqlpass.org)) if you ever want to talk about how to get started as a speaker or technical writer.

Each month we feature a blogger, and this month it is [Kellyn Pot’Vin-Gorman](#). Kellyn is known for her skills in both Oracle and SQL Server. She recently joined Microsoft in the TSP (pre-sales) role.

Interested in starting your own blog? We can help get you started. Just send us a note at [witvc@sqlpass.org](mailto:witvc@sqlpass.org).

Once again, we would like to thank our sponsor for supporting our group. They provide funds that make virtual groups possible. We also award a gift certificate at each webinar to one lucky attendee thanks to the funds provided.



Sign up for the September 5<sup>th</sup> installment of [SQL in the City](#) featuring Kendra Little and Kathi Kellenberger!



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--Rie and Kathi

Why You Should Attend PASS Summit

About a year after becoming a database administrator, I asked my manager about attending PASS Summit. To be honest, I really didn't think I would receive approval to go, so I was surprised when she said yes. Once I arrived, I found the three days so full of educational sessions, it was hard to decide which to attend. My favorite session that year included the announcement of SQL Server Reporting Services, an add-on for SQL Server 2000 at the time.

The sessions are amazing every year, of course, but there is so much more to PASS Summit. You can spend time in the vendor hall and maybe find a product that is the perfect solution to a problem in your environment. Microsoft has an area staffed with people ready to take your questions or help you solve issues. You may even end up reporting a bug to them that you found that they didn't know about!

You will even continue learning at lunch time. On Thursday, of course, there is the Women in Technology Luncheon, but there are also the Birds of a Feather tables set up to talk about just about any data platform topic that might interest you. You may end up having lunch with your favorite data platform author or speaker.

After so many years of attending PASS Summit, my favorite aspect is the networking. The community is like a big family to me. Every year, that family grows. Members of the community are people who can help you when there is something you just can't figure out, or, possibly become dear friends. Check out the Community Zone which is a great place to connect with people who may live near you or have similar interests. Watch Twitter as well. There are several unofficial groups meeting up to run, pray, play board games, and more.

Improving your skills and growing your network are important, but the best thing about Summit is how it can recharge and inspire you. You will go back to work with a dozen ideas you can't wait to try out and share with your team. (Managers – attending PASS Summit will improve your employee's job satisfaction!)

There are so many reasons to attend. Talk to your manager tomorrow about why attending PASS Summit will make you more productive – and happier. See you there!

--Kathi

## Great Links

We are always looking for input from our members. Please drop us a line at [witvc@sqlpass.org](mailto:witvc@sqlpass.org) if you have something you would like to share, would like to write an article for the newsletter, or if you would like to present a webinar. We are looking for any topic that would be interesting to the WIT group and data platform topics presented by women. This is a great way to get experience as a speaker.

[Why I Attend PASS Summit](#)

[How to Get Your Boss to Send You to a Cool Conference](#)

[Reasons Your Employees Should Attend Conferences](#)

## Webinar Schedule

Date	Session	Speaker
Aug 29, 2018	<a href="#">Collecting Performance Metrics</a> Database Administration Group	Tracy Boggiano

<b>Sept 11, 2018</b>	<a href="#">Data Types Do Matter</a> DBA Fundamentals Group	Angela Henry
<b>Sept 12, 2018</b>	<a href="#">Learn History from Temporal Tables</a> Database Administration Group	Ameena Lalani
<b>Sept 19, 2018</b>	<a href="#">Monitoring SQL Server</a> Sponsored by Redgate Software	Kathi Kellenberger
<b>Oct 10, 2018</b>	<a href="#">SQL Server with Docker</a>	Marsha Pierce
<b>Nov 21, 2018</b>	<a href="#">Using Azure Databricks, a Scalable Data Solution</a>	Ginger Grant

## SQL Saturdays

Event	Location	Date	Session Title	Presenter
<b>SQL Saturday #754</b>	Auckland	9-1-2018	Bringing source control to BI world!	Heidi Hasting
<b>SQL Saturday #754</b>	Auckland	9-1-2018	Google Forms meet Power BI via Reporting Services (SSRS)	Indira Bandari
<b>SQL Saturday #754</b>	Auckland	9-1-2018	The Massively Parallel Processing Azure SQL Data Warehouse	Manjot Kaur
<b>SQL Saturday #785</b>	Johannesburg	9-1-2018	How to become the most sought after SQL Server professionals in SA	Vanessa Raath
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<b>SQL Saturday #746</b>	Oslo	9-1-2018	Storytelling in Power BI with bookmarking, drillthrough, and custom visuals	Ida Bergum
<b>SQL Saturday #746</b>	Oslo	9-1-2018	How mature has SSAS Tabular mode become?	Gabi Munster
<b>SQL Saturday #746</b>	Oslo	9-1-2018	Azure Machine Learning 101	Kathi Kellenberger
<b>SQL Saturday #746</b>	Oslo	9-1-2018	Biml for Beginners: Script and Automate SSIS Development	Cathrine Wilhelmsen

<b>SQL Saturday #746</b>	Oslo	9-1-2018	Data Science Fundamentals	Stepahnie Locke
<b>SQL Saturday #746</b>	Oslo	9-1-2018	Python Machine Learning: Would you survive?	Dagrun Hauland Sara Jonvik
<b>SQL Saturday #746</b>	Oslo	9-1-2018	Power BI - A look into the future with mixed reality	Ida Bergum
<b>SQL Saturday #793</b>	Cape Town	9-8-2018	Master Data Services From Start To Finish	Jeanne Combrinck
<b>SQL Saturday #793</b>	Cape Town	9-8-2018	An introduction to Azure SQL Datawarehouse	Gail Shaw
<b>SQL Saturday #793</b>	Cape Town	9-8-2018	Graphs in SQL Server and Cosmos DB	Gail Shaw
<b>SQL Saturday #748</b>	Cambridge	9-8-2018	Azure Machine Learning 101	Kathi Kellenberger
<b>SQL Saturday #748</b>	Cambridge	9-8-2018	Power BI server and Office Online server, modernize your on-premises BI approach	Isabelle Van Campenhoudt
<b>SQL Saturday #803</b>	Durnban	9-15-2018	Master Data Services From Start To Finish	Jeanne Combrinck
<b>SQL Saturday #803</b>	Durnban	9-15-2018	An introduction to SQL Datawarehouse	Gail Shaw
<b>SQL Saturday #803</b>	Durnban	9-15-2018	Deadlocks: What they are and how to resolve them	Jodi Craig
<b>SQL Saturday #803</b>	Durban	9-15-2018	Graphs in SQL Server and Cosmos DB	Gail Shaw
<b>SQL Saturday #774</b>	Denver	9-15-2018	Innovative Data Modeling: Make Data Warehousing Cool Again	Leslie Weed Jeff Renz
<b>SQL Saturday #774</b>	Denver	9-15-2018	Become the Most Valuable Player: Soft Skills for the Hard Market	Angela Tidwell
<b>SQL Saturday #774</b>	Denver	9-15-2018	Confidence: The fuel for action	Melody Zacharias
<b>SQL Saturday #774</b>	Denver	9-15-2018	Azure SQL Database Performance Tuning	Jes Borland
<b>SQL Saturday #774</b>	Denver	9-15-2018	Everything You Need to Know About SQL Server Indexes	Janis Griffin
<b>SQL Saturday #774</b>	Denver	9-15-2018	Busy is a Four-Letter Word	Jes Borland
<b>SQL Saturday #774</b>	Denver	9-15-2018	SQL Server with Docker Containers	Marsha Pierce
<b>SQL Saturday #774</b>	Denver	9-15-2018	The Power of Data: The Complete Beginners Data Warehouse Kit	Leslie Andrews
<b>SQL Saturday #774</b>	Denver	9-15-2018	Azure Intelligent Services	Amie Mason
<b>SQL Saturday #774</b>	Denver	9-15-2018	Monitoring Availability Groups	Tracy Boggiano
<b>SQL Saturday #774</b>	Denver	9-15-2018	How to Realize & Quantify Value from Data	Krista McNamara Patrick Geselbracht

<b>SQL Saturday #774</b>	Denver	9-15-2018	<b>Beginning Admin: The Care and Feeding of SQL Server</b>	Jennifer McCown
<b>SQL Saturday #774</b>	Denver	9-15-2018	<b>Moving Past Imposter Syndrome</b>	Wendy Pastrick
<b>SQL Saturday #774</b>	Denver	9-15-2018	<b>Screw DevOps, Let's Talk DataOps</b>	Kellyn Pot'Vin-Gorman
<b>PASS Summit Pre-Con</b>	Seattle, WA	11-5-2018	<b>Designing Modern Data and Analytics Solutions in Azure</b>	Melissa Coates and Meagan Longoria
<b>PASS Summit Pre-Con</b>	Seattle, WA	11-5-2018	<b>Prevent 'Fake News' in Your Data! Isolation Levels Demystified</b>	Kendra Little
<b>PASS Summit Pre-Con</b>	Seattle, WA	11-6-2018	<b>Master Git in a Day</b>	Lyndsey Padget
<b>PASS Summit Pre-Con</b>	Seattle, WA	11-6-2018	<b>SentryOne Data Day</b>	Lori Edwards
<b>PASS Summit Pre-Con</b>	Seattle, WA	11-6-2018	<b>Fixing Query Performance Problems from Estimates, Statistics, Heuristics, and Cardinality</b>	Kimberly L. Tripp
<b>PASS Summit Pre-Con</b>	Seattle, WA	11-6-2018	<b>The Art &amp; Science of Designing Smart Data Stories</b>	Mico Yuk
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle, WA	11-8-2018	<b><a href="#">Mobilizing Your Own Grassroots Movement to Empower Gender Diversity in Technology</a> WIT Luncheon Speaker</b>	Lauri Bingham
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle, WA	11-7-2018 to 11-9-2018	<b><a href="#">The Future of SQL Server and Big Data</a></b>	Mihaela Blendea
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle, WA	11-7-2018 to 11-9-2018	<b><a href="#">Modeling Data and Best Practices for Azure Cosmos DB</a></b>	Deborah Chen
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle, WA	11-7-2018 to 11-9-2018	<b><a href="#">Azure Data Lake: What, Why, and How</a></b>	Melissa Coates
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle, WA	11-7-2018 to 11-9-2018	<b>Everlasting Issues with Temporary Tables and tempdb</b>	Kalen Delaney
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle, WA	11-7-2018 to 11-9-2018	<b>Data Science with Microsoft Cloud</b>	Leila Etaati
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle, WA	11-7-2018 to 11-9-2018	<b>Using Azure Databricks to Develop Scalable Data Solutions</b>	Ginger Grant
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle, WA	11-7-2018 to 11-9-2018	<b>Improving Career Prospects by Incorporating Advanced Analytical Skills</b>	Ginger Grant
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle, WA	11-7-2018 to 11-9-2018	<b><a href="#">Five DevOps Essentials for Better DBA and Developer Collaboration</a></b>	Janis Griffin
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle, WA	11-7-2018 to 11-9-2018	<b><a href="#">Deep Dive on SQL Server and Big Data</a></b>	Nellie Gustafsson

<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle, WA	11-7-2018 to 11-9-2018	<a href="#">Meet the Modern SQL Server: Graph and Machine Learning Services</a>	Nellie Gustafsson
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle, WA	11-7-2018 to 11-9-2018	<a href="#">The Future of SQL Server Tooling</a>	Vicky Harp
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle, WA	11-7-2018 to 11-9-2018	Data Types Do Matter	Angela Henry
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle, WA	11-7-2018 to 11-9-2018	The Case for Change: Identifying and Remediating Bad Code	Amy Herold
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle, WA	11-7-2018 to 11-9-2018	<a href="#">PowerShell for the DBA</a>	Amy Herold
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle, WA	11-7-2018 to 11-9-2018	Configure Kerberos for SSRS	Kathi Kellenberger
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle, WA	11-7-2018 to 11-9-2018	<a href="#">TempDB: The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly</a>	Pam Lahoud
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle, WA	11-7-2018 to 11-9-2018	<a href="#">SQL Server Migrations Done the Right Way</a>	Pam Lahoud
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle, WA	11-7-2018 to 11-9-2018	Fix My Functions: Speeding Up Scalar and Table Valued UDFs	Kendra Little
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle, WA	11-7-2018 to 11-9-2018	7 Design Concepts for Better Power BI Reports	Meagan Longoria
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle, WA	11-7-2018 to 11-9-2018	Do Your Data Visualizations Need A Makeover?	Meagan Longoria
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle, WA	11-7-2018 to 11-9-2018	Data Catalogs: Trendy & Necessary	Denise McInerney
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle, WA	11-7-2018 to 11-9-2018	Azure Analysis Services or PowerBI - Which service fits you best?	Gabi Münster
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle, WA	11-7-2018 to 11-9-2018	From Monolith to Microservices with NodeJS	Lyndsey Padget
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle, WA	11-7-2018 to 11-9-2018	GDPR - The Buck Stops Here	Kellyn Pot'Vin-Gorman
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle, WA	11-7-2018 to 11-9-2018	DevOps and Decoys- How to Build a Successful Microsoft DevOps Solution Including Your Data	Kellyn Pot'Vin-Gorman
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle, WA	11-7-2018 to 11-9-2018	Blockchain Demystified for Power BI and BI Specialists	Jen Stirrup
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle, WA	11-7-2018 to 11-9-2018	<a href="#">Let Them Finish: Stories from the Trenches</a>	Angela Tidwell, Melody Zacharias, Rie Irish, Kellyn

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<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle, WA	11-7-2018 to 11-9- 2018	<a href="#">Enhanced SQL Server on Azure VM</a>	Mine Tokus
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle, WA	11-7-2018 to 11-9- 2018	Architecting for Scalability and Performance in Hybrid Workloads	Kimberly L. Tripp
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle, WA	11-7-2018 to 11-9- 2018	Innovative Data Modeling: Make Data Warehousing Cool Again	Leslie Weed
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle, WA	11-7-2018 to 11-9- 2018	<a href="#">Storytelling for Machine Learning and Advanced Analytics</a>	Jen Underwood
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle, WA	11-7-2018 to 11-9- 2018	Level Up Your Biml: Best Practices and Coding Techniques	Cathrine Wilhelmsen