

February 2019 Newsletter

In March we will celebrate Women's History Month and International Women's Day. Women have made important contributions in areas like science, medicine, computing, space exploration, and civil rights. In fact, there is no area of life that women haven't impacted. Unfortunately, women do not always get credit for the work that they do. That's the reason we need a special month. Make sure to learn about the women who have shaped society and be sure to share that knowledge with the children in your life. Maybe someday, we won't need a special month.

The past few years, we have hosted extra webinars in March to celebrate. This year, we decided to do something a bit different. We are hosting a panel discussion featuring some leaders in the data platform community. Please be sure to join Kendra Little, Lori Edwards, Cathrine Wilhelmsen, Monica Rathbun, Mala Mahadevan, and Kellyn Pot'Vin-Gorman for a lively discussion about working in technology. Rie and Kathi are the hosts, but we will be sure to jump in as well!

Each month we feature a blogger, and this month it is [Lori Edwards](#). Lori has worked for our sponsor, SentryOne since 2013. She has been a longtime volunteer at PASS and also serves on the PASS Board as a Director-at-Large.

Interested in starting your own blog? We can help get you started. Just send us a note at wit@pass.org.

Once again, we would like to thank our sponsors 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.



Do you need to improve SQL Server performance, but don't know where to start? Join Jason Hall, SentryOne VP of Product, as he steps through the 5 essential steps of troubleshooting database performance in a [free webinar](#) on March 6.

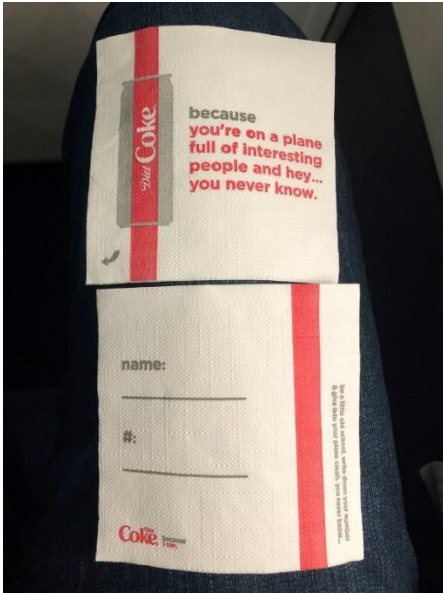


Join Microsoft MVPs Kendra Little, Grant Fritchey, Steve Jones and Kathi Kellenberger for Redgate's free virtual event [SQL in the City Streamed](#) on Wednesday 3 April 2019. Focusing on the topical theme of 'Standardizing Database Change Management across your Organization', the event schedule includes sessions designed to broaden your skillset, support your ongoing learning, and keep you up-to-date with what's new in the industry and at Redgate. Don't miss out, gather your team to enjoy free virtual training the Redgate Way. [Register now](#).

--Rie and Kathi

What Were They Thinking?

Flying's not easy with so many delays, crowded middle seats, tight connections, and high prices paid for the privilege. Women do not want men pestering them while traveling. We must worry about many things to stay safe every day, so when one of the major US airlines came out with napkins encouraging passengers to hand out their phone numbers to seatmates, most people were not amused. Thomas LaRock, former president of PASS, took this photo when the napkins were recently passed out on his flight.



After an outcry on social media, Delta apologized and said they were removing the napkins. I can't imagine how the person who made the decision to give these out thought it would be a good idea.

Of course, it is possible to meet interesting people on flights, and most people have business cards if they actually do want to stay in contact. We don't need these napkins to encourage creepy behavior when we just want to be left alone and get to our destination.

--Kathi

Great Links

We are always looking for input from our members. Please drop us a line at wit@pass.org if you have a link 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.

[The Secret History of Women in Coding](#)

[Why We Celebrate Women's History Month](#)

[Delta Air Lines apologizes for 'creepy' Diet Coke napkins, is removing them from flights](#)

[29 Things Women Avoid Doing Because We Fear For Our Safety](#)

Webinar Schedule

Date	Session	Speaker
Mar 5, 2019	Stored Procedure Optimization Techniques DBA Fundamentals Group	Kimberly Tripp
Mar 12, 2019	Women Talk Tech	WIT Panel
May 21, 2019	DevOps Fundamentals: What, who, why and How? DBA Fundamentals Group	Kendra Little

SQL Saturdays

Event	Location	Date	Session Title	Presenter
SQL Saturday #826	Victoria	3-16-2019	Be Part of the Solution with Automation	Kellyn Pot'Vin-Gorman
SQL Saturday #826	Victoria	3-16-2019	What is Power BI?	Angela Henry
SQL Saturday #826	Victoria	3-16-2019	Effective Indexing	Gail Shaw
SQL Saturday #826	Victoria	3-16-2019	Governance in PowerBI - Enjoy your Power Responsibly	Yana Berkovich
SQL Saturday #826	Victoria	3-16-2019	Introduction to Azure AI - The Art of the possible	Melody Zacharias
SQL Saturday #826	Victoria	3-16-2019	Azure Machine Learning 101	Kathi Kellenberger
SQL Saturday #826	Victoria	3-16-2019	Continuous Integration for Analysis Services?	Gabi Münster
SQL Saturday #825	Chicago	3-23-2019	Beginner's Guide to Text Mining: What We Learn from SQL Saturday Presentation Abstract	Lynn Ballard
SQL Saturday #825	Chicago	3-23-2019	Whipping Away Stress	Karlyn LeBlanc
SQL Saturday #825	Chicago	3-23-2019	Back to the Basics: T-SQL 101	Deborah Melkin
SQL Saturday #825	Chicago	3-23-2019	PowerShell for the DBA	Amy Herold
SQL Saturday #825	Chicago	3-23-2019	Profiling Your Data	Angela Henry
SQL Saturday #822	Spokane	3-23-2019	Taming of the Shrew - Optimizing Power BI	Kellyn Pot'Vin-Gorman
SQL Saturday #822	Spokane	3-23-2019	Introduction to Azure AI - The Art of the possible	Melody Zacharias

SQL Saturday #822	Spokane	3-23-2019	Why Solidity is Solid – Basics of Ethereum, Smart Contracts, and Blockchain	Swagatika Sarangi
SQL Saturday #822	Spokane	3-23-2019	Antipattern Assumptions in Data	Rebecca Long
SQL Saturday #822	Spokane	3-23-2019	Data Analyst Super Power - Tips & Tricks	Julie Koesmarno
SQL Saturday #822	Spokane	3-23-2019	On Transactions and Atomic Operations	Gail Shaw
SQL Saturday #819	Brasilia	3-30-2019	Porque migrar seu SQL Server On Premisse para o SQL Azure!	Sulamita Dantas
SQL Saturday #819	Brasilia	3-30-2019	Internals Always On	Suellen Moraes
SQL Saturday #819	Brasilia	3-30-2019	Nem tudo que reluz é ouro! O design e a visualização de dados!	Rayssa Dias
SQL Saturday #819 Pre-Con	Richmond	3-29-2019	The Enterprise Maintenance Lifecycle: Problems & Solutions	Jennifer McCown Sean McCown
SQL Saturday #819 Pre-Con	Richmond	3-29-2019	From Zero to Dashboard Hero	Angela Henry Carlos L Chacon
SQL Saturday #846	Richmond	3-30-2019	Power BI Deployed	Angela Henry Carlos L Chacon
SQL Saturday #846	Richmond	3-30-2019	Beginning Admin: The Care and Feeding of SQL Server	Jennifer McCown
SQL Saturday #846	Richmond	3-30-2019	Intro to Query Store	Tracy Boggiano
SQL Saturday #846	Richmond	3-30-2019	SQL Server with Docker Containers	Marsha Pierce
SQL Saturday #846	Richmond	3-30-2019	Beginning T-SQL	Jennifer McCown
SQL Saturday #846	Richmond	3-30-2019	Using Open Source Products to Collect Performance Metrics	Tracy Boggiano
SQL Saturday #846	Richmond	3-30-2019	Profiling Your Data	Angela Henry
SQL Saturday #846	Richmond	3-30-2019	Performance Tuning, Getting the Biggest Bang for Your Buck	Monica Rathbun

