

July 2018 Newsletter

The summer is winding down, and many of you are getting children ready to start the school year. Time goes fast, so don't forget to register for PASS Summit. Stay tuned for announcements about WIT events at Summit. We can't wait to meet you!

Speaking of registering, 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) 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 [Erin Stellato](#). Erin is a member of SQLSkills, a Data Platform MVP, and an awesome presenter!

Interested in starting your own blog? We can help get you started. Just send us a note at 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 5th installment of [SQL in the City](#).

SentryOne was recently named a [Tech Company to Watch](#).

--Rie and Kathi

Building Confidence

I admit it, I love reading self-help blogs and books. One of my favorite authors is Steve Kamb, the founder of Nerd Fitness. Even if you are not interested in his fitness tips, he has some great advice about building confidence and fulfilling lifelong dreams or "bucket lists." His recent post, [How 20 Seconds of Courage Can Change Your Life](#) is an example. If you can find the courage to try something just once, you may find that your fears were unfounded, the world didn't end, and you are probably ready for the next step.

A book I love is called [The Confidence Code](#). This book covers the biology and psychology of confidence, and they have some great advice for anyone who wants to improve their confidence. Spoiler Alert. The authors' advice is similar to the advice from Nerd Fitness: Try things that scare you to build your confidence.

When I meet people at PASS Summit, SQL Saturdays, and other tech events, I always say that the reason I'm there is because of karaoke. You may be laughing, but it's true. I have loved singing my entire life, but I was always too shy to sing in front of others. I never was good enough to get the solo parts in chorus in school, and being an alto, I got stuck singing the "oohs and ahhs" harmony. After singing with a karaoke machine at home for months, I finally found the courage to attend a public karaoke event and sing – with a microphone – in front of a group of people. That was almost twenty years ago, and I realized that, if I could sing in public, I could do anything that I wanted to do. So, the confidence I found from singing led me to believe that I could write articles and teach other people.

Singing may not be that scary thing you really want to do, but there is probably something. Maybe it's jumping out of an airplane with a parachute (no thanks!!) or running a marathon. Whatever it is, figure out what you need to do to accomplish your goal and then just do those things.

--Kathi

Great Links

We are always looking for input from our members. Please drop us a line at 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.

Webinar Schedule

Date	Session	Speaker
Aug 7, 2018	<u>Bad Designs have Consequences</u> DBA Fundamentals Group	Gail Shaw
Aug 8, 2018	<u>Collecting Performance Metrics</u> Database Admin Group	Tracy Boggiano
Aug 13, 2018	<u>Shipping Data Science Products with R and Docker</u> Hybrid Group	Stephanie Locke
Aug 14, 2018	<u>Women's Mental Toughness in the Tech Industry</u>	Bobbi-Jo Brighton
Aug 14, 2018	<u>Monitoring Availability Groups</u> High Availability and Disaster Recovery Group	Tracy Boggiano
Aug 21, 2018	<u>Beginning Admin: The Care and Feeding of SQL Server</u> DBA Fundamentals Group	Jen McCown
Sept 11, 2018	<u>Data Types Do Matter</u> DBA Fundamentals Group	Angela Henry

SQL Saturdays

Event	Location	Date	Session Title	Presenter
SQL Saturday #749	Baton Rouge	8-11-2018	Giving Feedback: How to Effectively Communicate to your Employees	Christine Assaf
SQL Saturday #749	Baton Rouge	8-11-2018	Even I Can Power BI!	Julia Renz, Jeff Renz
SQL Saturday #749	Baton Rouge	8-11-2018	Creating your Vision	Karlyn LeBlanc
SQL Saturday #749	Baton Rouge	8-11-2018	CozyRoc: Dynamic Data Flows in SSIS Without Programming	Diane Schuster
SQL Saturday #749	Baton Rouge	8-11-2018	Mastering your Resume & Interview: Tips to Get Hired	Christine Assaf
SQL Saturday #749	Baton Rouge	8-11-2018	Collecting Performance Metrics	Tracy Boggiano
SQL Saturday #749	Baton Rouge	8-11-2018	What is Power BI?	Angela Henry
SQL Saturday #749	Baton Rouge	8-11-2018	Well, actually... An entertaining WIT session for the men	Rie Irish
SQL Saturday #749	Baton Rouge	8-11-2018	Impostor Syndrome: Are You Faking It & Will they Find Out?	Mindy Curnutt
SQL Saturday #749	Baton Rouge	8-11-2018	HiHo! HiHo! SQL Server on Linux, We Go!	Janis Griffin
SQL Saturday #749	Baton Rouge	8-11-2018	T-SQL's Hidden Support Feature	Jennifer McCown
SQL Saturday #749	Baton Rouge	8-11-2018	SQL Server with Docker Containers	Marsha Pierce
SQL Saturday #749	Baton Rouge	8-11-2018	What's New in the 2017 Query Store	Janis Griffin
SQL Saturday #749	Baton Rouge	8-11-2018	Is My Application Bias Showing?	Rie Irish
SQL Saturday #749	Baton Rouge	8-11-2018	An Introduction to SQL Server Spatial Data	Mindy Curnutt
SQL Saturday #749	Baton Rouge	8-11-2018	Knowledge Mapping-Sharing the Wealth of Your Team's Expertise	Mechelle Roberthon
SQL Saturday #749	Baton Rouge	8-11-2018	Effortless Backups with Minion Backup	Jennifer McCown
SQL Saturday #749	Baton Rouge	8-11-2018	Tips on Managing Lots of SQL Servers	Tracy Boggiano
SQL Saturday #749	Baton Rouge	8-11-2018	Data Types Do Matter	Angela Henry
SQL Saturday #749	Baton Rouge	8-11-2018	How To Talk To Your Storage Admin	Marsha Pierce
SQL Saturday #749	Baton Rouge	8-11-2018	The Power of Data: The Complete Beginners Data Warehouse Kit	Leslie Andrews
SQL Saturday #745	Indianapolis	8-11-2018	Relax! It's just DAX	Jessica Jolly
SQL Saturday #745	Indianapolis	8-11-2018	Introduction to T-SQL Windowing Functions	Kathi Kellenberger

SQL Saturday #745	Indianapolis	8-11-2018	Learn History from Temporal Tables	Ameena Lalani
SQL Saturday #745	Indianapolis	8-11-2018	Essential Linux for the SQL Server DBA	Kellyn Pot'Vin-Gorman
SQL Saturday #745	Indianapolis	8-11-2018	Moving Past Imposter Syndrome	Wendy Pastrick
SQL Saturday #745	Indianapolis	8-11-2018	The Case for Change: Identifying and Remediating Bad Code	Amy Herold
SQL Saturday #745	Indianapolis	8-11-2018	SSRS; Not everything is a dashboard	Tamera Clark
SQL Saturday #745	Indianapolis	8-11-2018	5 Lessons from Black Panther for any IT Professional	Hiliary Wilkie
SQL Saturday #745	Indianapolis	8-11-2018	SQLStarter - Discussion/Networking Session	Hope Foley John Deardurff
SQL Saturday #745	Indianapolis	8-11-2018	IT and the Evil Empire (Business) : Friends or Enemies?	Kevin Wilkie Hilary Wilkie
SQL Saturday #784	Singapore	8-18-2018	Azure Databricks - an overview	Leila Etaati
SQL Saturday #784	Singapore	8-18-2018	A Database Designer's Favorite Features: Security, Privacy & More	Karen Lopez
SQL Saturday #787	Sioux Falls	8-18-2018	The Power of Data: The Complete Beginners Data Warehouse Kit	Leslie Andrews
SQL Saturday #787	Sioux Falls	8-18-2018	Learn History from Temporal Tables	Ameena Lalani
SQL Saturday #787	Sioux Falls	8-18-2018	Mom Rules for Managing Enterprise Database Environments	Marsha Pierce
SQL Saturday #787	Sioux Falls	8-18-2018	DAX 101	Belinda Allen
SQL Saturday #787	Sioux Falls	8-18-2018	The Case for Change: Identifying and Remediating Bad Code	Amy Herold
PASS Summit	Seattle, WA	11-5-2018	Designing Modern Data and Analytics Solutions in Azure	Melissa Coates and Meagan Longoria
PASS Summit	Seattle, WA	11-5-2018	Prevent 'Fake News' in Your Data! Isolation Levels Demystified	Kendra Little
PASS Summit	Seattle, WA	11-6-2018	Master Git in a Day	Lyndsey Padget
PASS Summit	Seattle, WA	11-6-2018	SentryOne Data Day	Lori Edwards
PASS Summit	Seattle, WA	11-6-2018	Fixing Query Performance Problems from Estimates, Statistics, Heuristics, and Cardinality	Kimberly L. Tripp
PASS Summit	Seattle, WA	11-6-2018	The Art & Science of Designing Smart Data Stories	Mico Yuk
PASS Summit	Seattle, WA	11-7-2018 to 11-9-2018	Designing Modern Data and Analytics Solutions in Azure	Melissa Coates
PASS Summit	Seattle, WA	11-7-2018 to 11-9-2018	Everlasting Issues with Temporary Tables and tempdb	Kalen Delaney

PASS Summit	Seattle, WA	11-7-2018 to 11-9-2018	Data Science with Microsoft Cloud	Leila Etaati
PASS Summit	Seattle, WA	11-7-2018 to 11-9-2018	Using Azure Databricks to Develop Scalable Data Solutions	Ginger Grant
PASS Summit	Seattle, WA	11-7-2018 to 11-9-2018	Improving Career Prospects by Incorporating Advanced Analytical Skills	Ginger Grant
PASS Summit	Seattle, WA	11-7-2018 to 11-9-2018	Data Types Do Matter	Angela Henry
PASS Summit	Seattle, WA	11-7-2018 to 11-9-2018	The Case for Change: Identifying and Remediating Bad Code	Amy Herold
PASS Summit	Seattle, WA	11-7-2018 to 11-9-2018	Configure Kerberos for SSRS	Kathi Kellenberger
PASS Summit	Seattle, WA	11-7-2018 to 11-9-2018	Fix My Functions: Speeding Up Scalar and Table Valued UDFs	Kendra Little
PASS Summit	Seattle, WA	11-7-2018 to 11-9-2018	7 Design Concepts for Better Power BI Reports	Meagan Longoria
PASS Summit	Seattle, WA	11-7-2018 to 11-9-2018	Do Your Data Visualizations Need A Makeover?	Meagan Longoria
PASS Summit	Seattle, WA	11-7-2018 to 11-9-2018	Data Catalogs: Trendy & Necessary	Denise McInerney
PASS Summit	Seattle, WA	11-7-2018 to 11-9-2018	Azure Analysis Services or PowerBI - Which service fits you best?	Gabi Münster
PASS Summit	Seattle, WA	11-7-2018 to 11-9-2018	From Monolith to Microservices with NodeJS	Lyndsey Padgett
PASS Summit	Seattle, WA	11-7-2018 to 11-9-2018	GDPR - The Buck Stops Here	Kellyn Pot'Vin-Gorman
PASS Summit	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
PASS Summit	Seattle, WA	11-7-2-18 to 11-9-2018	Blockchain Demystified for Power BI and BI Specialists	Jen Stirrup
PASS Summit	Seattle, WA	11-7-2018 to 11-9-2018	Architecting for Scalability and Performance in Hybrid Workloads	Kimberly L. Tripp
PASS Summit	Seattle, WA	11-7-2018 to 11-9-2018	Innovative Data Modeling: Make Data Warehousing Cool Again	Leslie Weed
PASS Summit	Seattle, WA	11-7-2018 to 11-9-2018	Level Up Your Biml: Best Practices and Coding Techniques	Cathrine Wilhelmsen

