

October 2018 Newsletter

PASS Summit is now just two weeks away. It's going to be a fantastic week of learning and getting to know the other members of the community. There will be many great sessions and events, but we wanted to tell you about a few that will be especially helpful for networking within the WIT community:

Tuesday 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM PASS [Women in Tech Happy Hour](#)

Wednesday 11:30 AM – 1:30 PM Birds of a Feather Lunch WIT Table

Wednesday 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM Abstract Writing Advice with the Program Committee

Wednesday 1:30 PM – 2:45 PM [Let Them Finish: Panel Discussion on Diversity & Women in Tech](#)

Thursday 11:30 AM – 1:15 PM WIT Luncheon featuring Lauri Bingham (ticket required, ask at registration desk if you did not request when registering)

Thursday 11:30 AM – 1:30 PM Birds of a Feather Lunch WIT Table (for those of you who can't make it to the big luncheon!)

Thursday 12:00 pm – 1:00 PM Abstract Writing Advice with the Program Committee

Thursday 1:30 PM – 3:00 PM PASS Community Zone (Virtual groups)

Friday 12:00 PM – 2:00 PM Birds of a Feather Lunch WIT Table

We look forward to meeting many of you there. Safe travels!

If you have not yet registered for PASS Summit, be sure to use our group's discount code, **VGDISO9**, 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 (wit@pass.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 [Stacia Varga](#). Stacia is a leader in business intelligence. Not only is she a blogger, she is the author of many books and courses!

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.

SentryOne[™]

Join SentryOne Senior Technical Writer, Melissa Connors, for a live webinar on Supporting Modern Applications: Data Management for Speed & Scale. [Register](#) to reserve your seat at the Thursday, October 25 session.

All treats and no tricks! Join Microsoft MVP, Kevin Kline, and SentryOne VP of Engineering, John Welch, on October 31 for a discussion on how to manage constantly changing data to ensure optimal performance and consistent delivery of accurate business-critical data. [Register](#) for the webinar, Managing Fast-Changing Data.



[Redgate University has opened its doors online.](#) Redgate has built a great reputation for writing in-depth technical and useful how-to guides to help users make the most of their tools and solutions. They have now gone one step further and established the [Redgate University](#), an online resource where you'll find self-paced training courses with easy to follow classes to help you and your team learn the fundamentals and best practices, and get top tips from the experts.

--Rie and Kathi

Taking Credit

Owning up to accomplishments is often difficult for women. We sometimes hide our successes, and we often hold back from opportunities because of not feeling capable. Some of this is probably tied to imposter syndrome, but also being taught as young girls not to brag.

I was recently reading an article about Shonda Rhimes, whom I truly admire even though I'm not currently watching any of her shows. She has recently moved to Netflix and is now the highest paid showrunner in television, but she hid that fact about her salary at first. Eventually, she realized that it's OK for men to brag, and she should not be ashamed to do so as well. At an award show, she said "I'm getting this award for inspiring other women; how can I inspire anyone if I'm hiding?"

What's the first step to overcoming this problem? I think it is just graciously accepting compliments – something that is also hard for women to do. When you get a compliment, don't deflect it. Just say thank you.

--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.

[Why Don't Women Give Themselves More Credit for Their Accomplishments?](#)

[Shonda Rhimes Reveals She's TV's Highest Paid Showrunner](#)

[The 7 Most Common Ways Women Limit \(and Sabotage\) Their Success](#)

Webinar Schedule

Date	Session	Speaker
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Nov 13, 2018	Introduction and Use Cases for Working with Azure Databricks DBA Fundamentals Group	Ginger Grant
Nov 28, 2018	Using Azure Databricks, a Scalable Data Solution	Ginger Grant
Nov 29, 2018	Busy is a Four-Letter Word Professional Dev Group	<u>Jes Borland</u>
Dec 4, 2018	Data Compression 101 DBA Fundamentals Group	Jess Pomfret

SQL Saturdays and PASS Summit

Event	Location	Date	Session Title	Presenter
SQL Saturday #772	Munich	10-27-2018	Power BI deployment strategy for publishing and maintenance	Prathy Lamasani
SQL Saturday #772	Munich	10-27-2018	Inclusion & diversity in technology: Are we blind to the problem?	Cornelia Matthesius
SQL Saturday #767	Lincoln	10-27-2018	Beginning Admin: The Care and Feeding of SQL Server	Jennifer McCown
SQL Saturday #767	Lincoln	10-27-2018	I'm It - Survival Techniques for the Lone DBA	Monica Rathbun
SQL Saturday #767	Lincoln	10-27-2018	T-SQL's Hidden Support Feature	Jennifer McCown
SQL Saturday #767	Lincoln	10-27-2018	How to Get SQL Server to Run Better on Crappy Hardware	Monica Rathbun
SQL Saturday #808	Oregon	11-3-2018	Performance Tuning for Salary Negotiations [VIDEO]	Je'Anna Lanza-Abbott
SQL Saturday #808	Oregon	11-3-2018	Everything You Need to Know About SQL Server Indexes	Janis Griffin
SQL Saturday #808	Oregon	11-3-2018	Data Types Do Matter [VIDEO]	Angela Henry
SQL Saturday #808	Oregon	11-3-2018	3 tips for getting executive buy-in for DevOps	Kendra Little
SQL Saturday #808	Oregon	11-3-2018	CozyRoc: Dynamic Data Flows in SSIS Without Programming	Diane Schuster
SQL Saturday #808	Oregon	11-3-2018	Indexing for Beginners [VIDEO]	Kathi Kellenberger
SQL Saturday #808	Oregon	11-3-2018	PowerShell for the DBA	Amy Herold
SQL Saturday #808	Oregon	11-3-2018	Uhms and Bunny Hands: Tips for Improving Your Presentation Skills	Cathrine Wilhelmsen

PASS Summit Pre-Con	Seattle	11-5-2018	Designing Modern Data and Analytics Solutions in Azure	Melissa Coates Meagan Longoria
PASS Summit Pre-Con	Seattle	11-5-2018	Prevent 'Fake News' in Your Data! Isolation Levels Demystified	Kendra Little
PASS Summit Pre-Con	Seattle	11-6-2018	Master Git in a Day	Lyndsey Padget
PASS Summit Pre-Con	Seattle	11-6-2018	SentryOne Data Day	Lori Edwards
PASS Summit Pre-Con	Seattle	11-6-2018	Fixing Query Performance Problems from Estimates, Statistics, Heuristics, and Cardinality	Kimberly Tripp
PASS Summit Pre-Con	Seattle	11-6-2018	The Art & Science of Designing Smart Data Stories	Mico Yuk
PASS Summit	Seattle	11-7-2018	Data Types Do Matter	Angela Henry
PASS Summit	Seattle	11-7-2018	Five DevOps Essentials for Better DBA and Developer Collaboration	Janis Griffin
PASS Summit	Seattle	11-7-2018	GitHub for Business: Pro Tips for Success	Lyndsey Padget
PASS Summit	Seattle	11-7-2018	Data Catalogs: Trendy & Necessary	Denise McInerney
PASS Summit	Seattle	11-7-2018	The Case for Change: Identifying and Remediating Bad Code	Amy Herold
PASS Summit	Seattle	11-7-2018	SQL Server Migrations Done the Right Way	Pam Lahoud
PASS Summit	Seattle	11-7-2018	Improving Career Prospects by Incorporating Advanced Analytical Skills	Ginger Grant
PASS Summit	Seattle	11-7-2018	Let Them Finish: Stories from the Trenches	Melody Zacharias Rie Irish Angela Tidwell Kellyn Pot'Vin-Gorman Tracy Boggiano
PASS Summit	Seattle	11-7-2018	Storytelling for Machine Learning and Advanced Analytics	Jen Underwood
PASS Summit	Seattle	11-7-2018	Architecting for Scalability and Performance in Hybrid Workloads	Kimberly Tripp
PASS Summit	Seattle	11-7-2018	Configure Kerberos for SSRS	Kathi Kellenberger
PASS Summit	Seattle	11-7-2018	Do Your Data Visualizations Need A Makeover?	Meagan Longoria
PASS Summit	Seattle	11-7-2018	Azure Analysis Services or PowerBI - Which service fits you best?	Gabi Münster

PASS Summit	Seattle	11-7-2018	The Future of SQL Server and Big Data	Mihaela Blendea
PASS Summit	Seattle	11-7-2018	Azure SQL Database Maintenance and Automation	Tracy Boggiano
PASS Summit	Seattle	11-8-2018	Innovative Data Modeling: Make Data Warehousing Cool Again	Leslie Weed
PASS Summit	Seattle	11-8-2018	Lightning Talks: Big Data and Cloud	Denise McInerney Jen Stirrup
PASS Summit	Seattle	11-8-2018	Meet the Modern SQL Server: Graph and Machine Learning Services	Nellie Gustafsson Shreya Verma
PASS Summit	Seattle	11-8-2018	Level Up Your Biml: Best Practices and Coding Techniques	Cathrine Wilhelmsen
PASS Summit	Seattle	11-8-2018	PowerShell for the DBA	Amy Herold
PASS Summit	Seattle	11-8-2018	Everlasting Issues with Temporary Tables and tempdb	Kalen Delaney
PASS Summit	Seattle	11-8-2018	The Future of SQL Server Tooling	Vicky Harp
PASS Summit-	Seattle	11-8-2018	Blockchain Demystified for Power BI and BI Specialists	Jen Stirrup
PASS Summit	Seattle	11-8-2018	Enhanced SQL Server on Azure VM Service	Mine Tokus
PASS Summit	Seattle	11-9-2018	Fix My Functions: Speeding Up Scalar and Table Valued UDFs	Kendra Little
PASS Summit	Seattle	11-9-2018	GDPR - The Buck Stops Here	Kellyn Pot'Vin Gorman
PASS Summit	Seattle	11-9-2018	TempDB: The Good, The Bad, and The Ugly	Pam Lahoud
PASS Summit	Seattle	11-9-2018	Modeling Data and Best Practices for Azure Cosmos DB	Deborah Chen
PASS Summit	Seattle	11-9-2018	Deep Dive on SQL Server and Big Data	Nellie Gustafsson
PASS Summit	Seattle	11-9-2018	DevOps and Decoys- How to Build a Successful Microsoft DevOps Solution Including Your Data	Kellyn Pot'Vin-Gorman
PASS Summit	Seattle	11-9-2018	Azure Data Lake: What, Why, and How	Melissa Coates
PASS Summit	Seattle	11-9-2018	Using Azure Databricks to Develop Scalable Data Solutions	Ginger Grant
PASS Summit	Seattle	11-9-2018	What's New in the 2017 Query Store	Janis Griffin

