

## September 2018 Newsletter

This November will be the 20<sup>th</sup> PASS Summit. PASS is celebrating by featuring [20 stories](#) about the community. So far, three stories have been told. Story #3 is a video from WIT co-leader Kathi about the evolution of the WIT Luncheon at PASS Summit. The luncheon began in 2003 in a small conference room with only women in attendance. It has grown to fill a large ballroom – and many men now join us. Story #2 celebrates the PASSion Award. This award is given each year to the volunteer who has made the biggest impact. Several members of this group have received this award.

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 [Jen McCown](#). Jen is a Microsoft Certified Master in SQL Server, and co-owner of MidnightSQL Consulting, LLC and MinionWare, LLC.

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.



Register for Redgate's exclusive [one-day Summits](#) this October in Chicago, New York and London to learn more about Compliant Database DevOps. Speakers include Kendra Little and Ronit Reger. Use the code **WITVG** to receive a complimentary ticket to the Chicago and New York Summits and 50% off the London Summit. If you missed the SQL in the City *Streamed* recordings, you can find them on [Youtube](#).



This month, SentryOne brings you all-new educational content! Check out one of their upcoming webinars: ***What You Need to Know About Migrating to Amazon RDS for SQL Server*** ([register](#)) or ***5 Critical Considerations When Migrating Data to the Cloud*** ([register](#)). And, according to a report from

Invenio IT, 90% of companies without a Disaster Recovery (DR) plan folded after a major disaster—is your organization prepared for a technology outage? Microsoft MVP and SentryOne Principal Solutions Engineer Richard Douglas guides you in planning out your Business Continuity processes for use with the Microsoft Data Platform in this [whitepaper](#).

--Rie and Kathi

## Networking

I teach T-SQL and SSRS to a new group of women every six months in the [LaunchCode CoderGirl](#) program in St. Louis. Some of my students need to learn these skills to enhance their current jobs, others are trying to move into their first tech related jobs.

I recently invited a CoderGirl alumna who is now a data scientist to tell her story to the class. Along with talking about working hard and learning everything you can, she emphasized networking. After class, I made sure that my brightest student, who is also interested in data science, got a chance to talk with her. Later that week, one of the other students posted in Slack that she wasn't sure what networking was.

For many of us, networking comes naturally so it's easy to forget that it could be a foreign topic to others. It's simply making professional connections (meeting people) which might be through classes, user groups, meetups, conferences, or even online. Actually, you can network in any setting. I personally have met other techies at concerts, museums, and cruises.

Making connections is often gratifying as they may lead to social activities or even friendships. The real benefit, however, is that they can turn into business or employment opportunities. Twenty years, we found out about tech job openings through newspaper ads. Today, professional networks are much more important. It really is "who you know!"

--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.

[Women should head to the golf course for a networking hole-in-one](#)

[How to Network the Right Way: Eight Tips](#)

[How to Network – Top 5 Networking Tips](#)

## Webinar Schedule

Date	Session	Speaker
<b>Sept 19, 2018</b>	<a href="#">Monitoring SQL Server</a> Sponsored by Redgate Software	Kathi Kellenberger

Oct 10, 2018	<a href="#">SQL Server with Docker</a>	Marsha Pierce
Nov 13, 2018	<a href="#">Introduction and Use Cases for Working with Azure Databricks</a> DBA Fundamentals Group	Ginger Grant
Nov 21, 2018	<a href="#">Using Azure Databricks, a Scalable Data Solution</a>	Ginger Grant
Dec 4, 2018	<a href="#">Data Compression 101</a> DBA Fundamentals Group	Jess Pomfret

## SQL Saturdays and PASS Summit

Event	Location	Date	Session Title	Presenter
SQL Saturday #802	San Diego	9-22-2018	CozyRoc: Dynamic Data Flows in SSIS Without Programming	Diane Schuster
SQL Saturday #802	San Diego	9-22-2018	The Ins and Outs of SQL Indexes	Mindy Curnutt
SQL Saturday #802	San Diego	9-22-2018	Azure Intelligent Services	Amie Mason
SQL Saturday #722 Pre-Con	Lisbon	9-21-2018	Using Query Store to Easily Troubleshoot and Stabilize Your Workload	Erin Stellato
SQL Saturday #722 Pre-Con	Lisbon	9-21-2018	Azure Analysis Services in a Day	Gabi Münster
SQL Saturday #722	Lisbon	9-22-2018	Query Store and Automatic Tuning in SQL Server 2017 and Azure SQL DB	Erin Stellato
SQL Saturday #722	Lisbon	9-22-2018	Continuous Integration for Analysis Services	Gabi Munster
SQL Saturday #722	Lisbon	9-22-2018	How to test a Data Warehouse?	Helena Cabral
SQL Saturday #800	Atlanta-BI	9-22-2018	Best Practices for Delivering & Sharing Content in Power BI	Melissa Coates
SQL Saturday #800	Atlanta-BI	9-22-2018	Mentoring Women in Tech: A Guide for Men & Women Who Want to Help	Rie Irish Melody Zacharias
SQL Saturday #800	Atlanta-BI	9-22-2018	The Power of Data: The Complete Beginners Data Warehouse Kit	Leslie Andrews
SQL Saturday #800	Atlanta-BI	9-22-2018	Whipping Away Stress	Karlyn LeBlanc
SQL Saturday #800	Atlanta-BI	9-22-2018	Introduction to Azure Search	Julie Smith
SQL Saturday #800	Atlanta-BI	9-22-2018	Introduction to Azure AI - The Art of the possible	Melody Zacharias

<b>SQL Saturday #800</b>	Atlanta-BI	9-22-2018	Performance Monitoring Analysis Services Tabular	Shabnam Watson
<b>SQL Saturday #800</b>	Atlanta-BI	9-22-2018	Taming of the Shrew - Optimizing Power BI	Kellyn Pot'Vin-Gorman
<b>SQL Saturday #800</b>	Atlanta-BI	9-22-2018	Creating Near Real Time ETLs Using Serverless Architecture	Samara Soucy
<b>SQL Saturday #800</b>	Atlanta-BI	9-22-2018	How to win Dev and influence QA	Elizabeth Noble
<b>SQL Saturday #797 Pre-Con</b>	Boston	9-21-2018	Advanced Power BI	Ginger Grant
<b>SQL Saturday #797</b>	Boston	9-22-2018	A Different Dimension to Performance Tuning: Resource Governor	Surbhi Pokharna
<b>SQL Saturday #797</b>	Boston	9-22-2018	Azure CosmosDB and Tools	Bhavna Mangal
<b>SQL Saturday #797</b>	Boston	9-22-2018	WIT panel discussion	Deborah Melkin
<b>SQL Saturday #797</b>	Boston	9-22-2018	Understanding Power BI Administration and Security	Ginger Grant
<b>SQL Saturday #797</b>	Boston	9-22-2018	The Case for Change: Identifying and Remediating Bad Code	Amy Herold
<b>SQL Saturday #797</b>	Boston	9-22-2018	From (User) Story to Tables: Read Between the Lines to Find Your Data	Deborah Melkin
<b>SQL Saturday #797</b>	Boston	9-22-2018	Inventory your data with Azure Data Catalog	Beth Wolfset
<b>SQL Saturday #753</b>	Lviv	9-29-2018	AWS Redshift Introduction	Maryna Popva
<b>SQL Saturday #795</b>	Porto	9-29-2018	Be a dynamic SQL dynamo!	Joanna Wolthuis
<b>SQL Saturday #804</b>	Sao Paulo	9-29-2018	Quer migrar seu banco de dados para a nuvem? Pergunte-me como!	Sulamita Dantas
<b>SQL Saturday #804</b>	Sao Paulo	9-29-2018	Let's talk about Always on Availability Group	Jessica Lima Marcus Bittencourt
<b>SQL Saturday #770</b>	Pittsburgh	9-29-2018	SQL Server with Docker Containers	Marsha Pierce
<b>SQL Saturday #770</b>	Pittsburgh	9-29-2018	I'm It - Survival Techniques for the Lone DBA	Monica Rathbun
<b>SQL Saturday #770</b>	Pittsburgh	9-29-2018	Intro to Query Store	Tracy Boggiano
<b>SQL Saturday #770</b>	Pittsburgh	9-29-2018	Mom Rules for Managing Enterprise Database Environments	Marsha Pierce
<b>SQL Saturday #770</b>	Pittsburgh	9-29-2018	Always Encrypted for Beginners	Monica Rathbun
<b>SQL Saturday #770</b>	Pittsburgh	9-29-2018	HiHo! HiHo! SQL Server on Linux, We Go!	Janis Griffin
<b>SQL Saturday #770</b>	Pittsburgh	9-29-2018	Tips on Managing Lots of SQL Servers	Tracy Boggiano

<b>SQL Saturday #805</b>	Bucaresti	10-6-2018	SQL vNext: What's next?	Alexandra Ciortea
<b>SQL Saturday #805</b>	Bucaresti	10-6-2018	S (tudent) QL - SQL Server guide for student	Ozzana Buse
<b>SQL Saturday #765</b>	Denmark	10-6-2018	Collecting Performance Metrics	Tracy Boggiano
<b>SQL Saturday #801</b>	Orlando	10-6-2018	Everything You Need to Know About SQL Server Indexes	Janis Griffin
<b>SQL Saturday #801</b>	Orlando	10-6-2018	HA/DR Solutions Using Distributed Availability Group	Jennifer Brocato
<b>SQL Saturday #801</b>	Orlando	10-6-2018	What's New in the 2017 Query Store	Janis Griffin
<b>SQL Saturday #796</b>	Minnesota	10-6-2018	Hyper-Interactivity in Power BI and SSRS Report	Erin Dempster Eleanor Stahura Brian Larson
<b>SQL Saturday #796</b>	Minnesota	10-6-2018	Designing SSIS Packages for Performance	Erin Dempster Eleanor Stahura
<b>SQL Saturday #778</b>	Memphis	10-6-2018	Azure Databricks 10	Jandee Richards
<b>SQL Saturday #778</b>	Memphis	10-6-2018	Azure Intelligent Service	Amie Mason
<b>SQL Saturday #778</b>	Memphis	10-6-2018	Best Practices for Power BI Desktop	DeNisha Malone
<b>SQL Saturday #778</b>	Memphis	10-6-2018	The Case for Change: Identifying and Remediating Bad Code	Amy Herold
<b>PASS Summit Pre-Con</b>	Seattle	11-5-2018	Designing Modern Data and Analytics Solutions in Azure	Melissa Coates Meagan Longoria
<b>PASS Summit Pre-Con</b>	Seattle	11-5-2018	Prevent 'Fake News' in Your Data! Isolation Levels Demystified	Kendra Little
<b>PASS Summit Pre-Con</b>	Seattle	11-6-2018	Master Git in a Day	Lyndsey Padget
<b>PASS Summit Pre-Con</b>	Seattle	11-6-2018	SentryOne Data Day	Lori Edwards
<b>PASS Summit Pre-Con</b>	Seattle	11-6-2018	Fixing Query Performance Problems from Estimates, Statistics, Heuristics, and Cardinality	Kimberly Tripp
<b>PASS Summit Pre-Con</b>	Seattle	11-6-2018	The Art & Science of Designing Smart Data Stories	Mico Yuk
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle	11-7-2018	Data Types Do Matter	Angela Henry
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle	11-7-2018	Five DevOps Essentials for Better DBA and Developer Collaboration	Janis Griffin
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle	11-7-2018	GitHub for Business: Pro Tips for Success	Lyndsey Padget
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle	11-7-2018	Data Catalogs: Trendy & Necessary	Denise McInerney

<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle	11-7-2018	The Case for Change: Identifying and Remediating Bad Code	Amy Herold
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle	11-7-2018	SQL Server Migrations Done the Right Way	Pam Lahoud
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle	11-7-2018	Improving Career Prospects by Incorporating Advanced Analytical Skills	Ginger Grant
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle	11-7-2018	Let Them Finish: Stories from the Trenches	Melody Zacharias Rie Irish Angela Tidwell Kellyn Pot'Vin-Gorman Tracy Boggiano
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle	11-7-2018	Storytelling for Machine Learning and Advanced Analytics	Jen Underwood
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle	11-7-2018	Architecting for Scalability and Performance in Hybrid Workloads	Kimberly Tripp
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle	11-7-2018	Configure Kerberos for SSRS	Kathi Kellenberger
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle	11-7-2018	Do Your Data Visualizations Need A Makeover?	Meagan Longoria
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle	11-7-2018	Azure Analysis Services or PowerBI - Which service fits you best?	Gabi Münster
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle	11-7-2018	The Future of SQL Server and Big Data	Mihaela Blendea
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle	11-7-2018	<a href="#">Azure SQL Database Maintenance and Automation</a>	Tracy Boggiano
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle	11-8-2018	Innovative Data Modeling: Make Data Warehousing Cool Again	Leslie Weed
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle	11-8-2018	<a href="#">Lightning Talks: Big Data and Cloud</a>	Denise McInerney Jen Stirrup
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle	11-8-2018	Meet the Modern SQL Server: Graph and Machine Learning Services	Nellie Gustafsson Shreya Verma
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle	11-8-2018	Level Up Your Biml: Best Practices and Coding Techniques	Cathrine Wilhelmsen
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle	11-7-2018	Improving Career Prospects by Incorporating Advanced Analytical Skills	Ginger Grant
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle	11-8-2018	PowerShell for the DBA	Amy Herold
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle	11-8-2018	Everlasting Issues with Temporary Tables and tempdb	Kalen Delaney
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle	11-8-2018	The Future of SQL Server Tooling	Vicky Harp Alan Yu

<b>PASS Summit-</b>	Seattle	11-8-2018	Blockchain Demystified for Power BI and BI Specialists	Jen Stirrup
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle	11-8-2018	Enhanced SQL Server on Azure VM Service	Mine Tokus
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle	11-9-2018	Fix My Functions: Speeding Up Scalar and Table Valued UDFs	Kendra Little
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle	11-9-2018	GDPR - The Buck Stops Here	Kellyn Pot'Vin Gorman
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle	11-9-2018	TempDB: The Good, The Bad, and The Ugly	Pam Lahoud
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle	11-9-2018	Modeling Data and Best Practices for Azure Cosmos DB	Deborah Chen
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle	11-9-2018	Data Science with Microsoft Cloud	Leila Etaati
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle	11-9-2018	Deep Dive on SQL Server and Big Data	Nellie Gustafsson
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle	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	11-9-2018	Azure Data Lake: What, Why, and How	Melissa Coates
<b>PASS Summit</b>	Seattle	11-9-2018	Using Azure Databricks to Develop Scalable Data Solutions	Ginger Grant