



February 2021 Newsletter

We have been busy making changes to our [site](#) and planning a special event for March, [Data Platform WIT Day](#). Join 12 amazing women – Rie Merritt, Tracy Boggiano, Julie Koesmarno, Barbara Valdez, DeNisha Malone, Cindy Gross, Gilda Alvarez, Deepthi Goguri, Deborah Melkin, Shabnam Watson, Shreya Verma-Kale and Leslie Andrews as they talk about tech, social and professional growth.



Each month, we feature a blogger, and this month it is [Josephine Bush](#). Josephine is the author of “Learn SQL Database Programming” (Packt 2020) and has over 10 years’ experience as a Database Administrator.

Please reach out by sending a message to dataplatfromwit@gmail.com if you have a blog or speaking event you would like us to feature in the newsletter. We are also always looking for presenters for the group. We are also adding more to the site, so be sure to check back often.

--Mala and Kathi

What are you missing?

I didn't participate in the January T-SQL Tuesday about [taking a break](#), but it did get me thinking about what I've missed over the past year.

A few years ago, I had a serious health issue (all better now!), and it made me realize how quickly life can change. At that time, I made a commitment to having fun. If I get an idea about a fun trip or activity, it's likely that the next step is planning how to make it happen. Since I have five grandkids, a lot of the trips and outings have involved one or more of them. In 2019, I managed to take the oldest, now 14, to Arizona and Atlanta, the entire group of grandkids to Springfield, MO, a nine-day road trip with my husband, a stair climb event in Bisbee, AZ, with my daughter, and a Rock Boat cruise with a friend. All that travel was in addition to work trips to the office in the UK and SQL events. Whew! Looking back, I wonder how I managed to pull all that off.

Now, after a year staying within a 100-mile radius, I wonder how much travel I really need to be happy. I've still spent time with grandkids (they are in my safe bubble), but we have played board games and taken walks instead of traveling, visiting amusement parks, or eating in restaurants. That is certainly less expensive than what I've done in the past, and I've learned that just spending time with the people most important to me is priceless.

What will happen when things eventually get back to normal? I'm sure I'll be traveling again, but maybe not quite as much. What have you missed that you can't wait to get back?

--Kathi

Upcoming Webinars

Group/Event	Date	Session	Presenter
Data Platform Downunder Meetup Group	2021-02-16	<u>Tips to Monitor your Azure SQL Database</u>	Anupama Natarajan
DeveloperWeek	2021-02-17 to 2021-02-19	<u>Containerize Microservices with Service Fabric</u>	Rebai Hamida
DeveloperWeek	2021-02-17 to 2021-02-19	<u>Are we there Yet?</u>	Emily Freeman
MICROSOFT POWER PLATFORM TECH DAYS	2021-02-17	<u>Why would you even want to use the Power Platform?</u>	Tricia Sinclair
MICROSOFT POWER PLATFORM TECH DAYS	2021-02-17	<u>How does the platform scale for you?</u>	Claire Edgson and Jese Navaranjan
MICROSOFT POWER	2021-02-17	<u>Attaching price to value within the Power Platform</u>	Laura Graham-Brown

PLATFORM TECH DAYS			
CincyPASS – Cincinnati SQL Server Users Group	2021-02-17	<u>SQL Server Internals and Architecture</u>	Deepthi Goguri
Utah SQL Server Group	2021-02-18	<u>SLC and UC SQL Server User Group February Meeting</u>	Pam Mooney
Cambridge Power Platform User Group	2021-02-19	<u>Integration Between Power Apps and Power Bi</u>	Jese Navarajan
South Florida Power BI	2021-02-23	<u>Power BI Adoption Strategies</u>	Denisha Malone
SQL FRIDAY	2021-02-26	<u>SQL Server Internals and Architecture</u>	Deepthi Goguri
Scottish Summit 2021	2021-02-27	<u>Session list</u>	> 80 sessions
ta Platform WIT	2021-03-05	<u>Data Platform WIT Day</u>	Cindy Gross, Shabmam Watson, Rie Merritt, Julie Koesmarno, Tracy Boggiano, Barbara Valdez, Gilda Alvarez, Deepthi Goguri, Deborah Melkin, Leslie Andrews, DeNisha Malone, and Shreya Verma-Kale
St. Louis SQL Server and Business Intelligence User Group	2021-03-09	<u>Mastering TempDB</u>	Monica Rathbun
Redmond SQL User Group for SQL Server & Data Professionals	2021-03-10	<u>SQL Server Configuration with dbatools and dbchecks</u>	Tracy Boggiano
The Cloud First 2021	2021-03-11	<u>Women in Tech: Head in the Cloud, Heart in the Community</u>	Isidora Katanic and Holly Lehman
New Stars of Data	2021-03-12	<u>Warum testet man Abfragen nicht mit Variablen?</u>	Nina Weisheidinger
New Stars of Data	2021-03-12	<u>Until the paperwork is done – Database Documentation, why and how</u>	Mala Mahadevan

New Stars of Data	2021-03-12	<u>The Science Behind A Recommend Machine learning system – Using Azure ML</u>	Alpa Buddhabhatti
New Stars of Data	2021-03-12	<u>How to Audit SQL Server for Free</u>	Josephine Bush
New Stars of Data	2021-03-12	<u>Getting started with Power BI Desktop</u>	Akshata Revankar
Hampton Roads SQL Server User Group	2021-03-17	<u>Decoding Statistics in SQL Server</u>	Deepthi Goguri
Dublin Power BI User Group	2021-03-23	<u>What Is Inclusive Report Design and Why Should You Care?</u>	Meagan Longoria and Ashley Graham-Brown
Women in Technology Summit 2021	2021-03-24	<u>Life Cycle of a Query in SQL Server</u>	Deepthi Goguri
SPOTCon Conference	2021-03-26	<u>Understanding the Statistics in SQL Server</u>	Deepthi Goguri
Cloud Data Driven	2021-04-01	<u>Method Behind the Magic of Indexes in SQL Server</u>	Deepthi Goguri
Database Professionals Virtual Meetup Group	2021-04-14	<u>Which Azure SQL Database Options Should I Choose?</u>	Jes Borland
Dublin Power BI User Group	2021-04-20	<u>Double Session! The Untruthful Art & Azure Synapse Analytics</u>	Heini Ilmarinen
Women in Technology	2021-05-06	SQL Server Configuration with dbatools and dbachecks	Tracy Boggiano
SQL Server User Group Croatia	2021-05-12	<u>Method behind the magic of Indexes in SQL Server</u>	Deepthi Goguri
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