



June 2021 Newsletter

Our next day long event to be held in August is the “Beginner Data Science Day.” The [call for speakers](#) is open now!

We would also like to let you know about our sister user group, Data Platform Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion. This group is headed by Tracy Boggiano ([b|t](#)), Denisha Malone ([b|t](#)) and Deepthi Goguri ([b|t](#)). Their mission is to provide a platform for diverse people to speak and be seen, that would help enable their growth in community. These ladies are exceptional not just at their jobs but in their purpose and what they have set out to accomplish. It is important that we as a community support them by attending their events and amplifying the cause in any way we can.

Please consider following their [blog](#), sign up for their [meetings](#), and follow them on [twitter](#).

The [2021 PASS Data Community SUMMIT](#) will be held virtually November 8-19, 2021. Redgate has stepped up to make this event happen, but it will continue to be a community focused event. Popular features such as the Women in Technology Keynote, Lightning Talks, and Community Zone will continue.

Each month, we feature a blogger, and this month it is [Milena Petrovic](#). Milena has more than 20 years of experience in IT and began working with SQL Server in 2005.

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.

Want to keep up with the group? You can also find us on Twitter [@data_wit](#), [Facebook](#), [meetup](#), [YouTube](#), [LinkedIn](#), and our [site](#).

--Mala and Kathi

Sharing “Hidden Figures”

A few months ago, I heard about an upcoming NASA launch and thought that my two young grandchildren, Gwen and Wyatt, might like to watch it. They really enjoyed the launch, and I was also excited to learn that the capsule, headed for the International Space Station, was named the S.S. Katherine Johnson. I explained to Gwen that Mrs. Johnson helped make space travel possible, and that we should watch the movie about her.

Finally, a good opportunity came up to watch the movie, *Hidden Figures*, about the women who computed all the calculations at NASA and were also early programmers when computers began to be used. During a pivotal scene, astronaut John Glenn requests that the computer's calculations be double-checked by Mrs. Johnson before he is launched into space in 1962. We all know how that turned out, as Glenn visited space again in 1998 at age 77.

We both teared up during a few scenes and cheered when Mrs. Johnson and her friends got the respect and recognition they deserved. Real life was probably harsher for the women than depicted in the film, but I think it also showed that women can accomplish anything, a great lesson for Gwen.

--Kathi

Upcoming Webinars

Group/Event	Date	Session	Presenter
DBA Fundamentals Group	2021-06-29	Streamline Database Deployments	Elizabeth Noble
Southland Data Professionals	2021-06-17	How to use SQL Server Query store	Deepthi Goguri
Kansas City SQL Server Users Group	2021-06-17	Tempdb Internals	Deepthi Goguri
Cloud Data Driven	2021-06-17	Recipe for Modern Applications: Functions, SQL, Geospatial, JSON	Anna Hoffman
Database Professionals Virtual Meetup Group	2021-06-23	Don't miss the bus: Functions, Azure SQL, Geospatial, JSON	Anna Hoffman
Power BI Women	2021-06-23	The Blueprint for Speaking in the Tech	DeNisha Malone
DBA Fundamentals Group	2021-06-29	Streamline Database Deployments	Elizabeth Noble
Richmond Local User Group	2021-07-08	Mental Health and Wellness in IT: Safeguarding our most precious resource	Tracy Boggiano
DataWeekender – Cloud Challenge	2021-07-08	Exam Cram – AI-900 – Fundamentals	Pragati Jain
Steel City SQL Server Users Group	2021-07-20	How to Audit SQL Server for Free	Josephine Bush
Triad Local User Group	2021-07-27	SQL Server Configuration with dbatools and dbchecks	Tracy Boggiano
Cloud Data Driven	2021-08-05	Power BI and Dashboards 101	Sharon Weaver

DBA Fundamentals Group	2021-08-10	Azure SQL Database for DBAs	Ameena Lalani
Chicago Local SQL Server User Group	2021-08-12	SQL Server Configuration with dbatools and dbchecks	Tracy Boggiano
Dataverse	2021-08-13	Transitioning to ADS	Elizabeth Noble
Dataverse	2021-08-13	Getting Started with Azure Synapse Analytics	Tsvetelina Kovacheva
Dataverse	2021-08-13	Azure AD for the Azure Data Services	Heini Ilmarinen
Dataverse	2021-08-13	Fundamentals of Azure SQL Database	Deepthi Goguri
Dataverse	2021-08-13	Data Science Made Easier with Azure ML Studio & Power BI	Pragati Jain
Dataverse	2021-08-13	A Case Study – Data Movement and Transformation using Azure Data Factory.	Alpa Buddhahatti
Dataverse	2021-08-13	Gain Real time Insights with Azure Synapse Analytics	Anshul Rampal
Dataverse	2021-08-13	How to go from #notallmen to supporting diversity, inclusion and equity	Cecilia Judmann
Dataverse	2021-08-13	Scaling your data to the size of the Cosmos (DB)	Olena Borzenko
Dataverse	2021-08-13	Power BI Adoption Framework	Denisha Malone
Dataverse	2021-08-13	Getting Started with GitHub Actions with SQL Server on Linux, PowerShell, and sqlcmd	Chrissy LeMaire
Dataverse	2021-08-13	Composite Models – The game-changer	Samudra Bandaranayake
Dataverse	2021-08-13	Keynote: Everyone Deserves a Voice	Tracy Boggiano
Dataverse	2021-08-13	Requirements Engineering for data projects	Margarita Neumueller
Steel City SQL Server Users Group	2021-08-17	Performance Tune your Queries with Query Store	Deepthi Goguri

Data Platform Diversity, Equity & Inclusion	2021-09-13	We Aren't Broken: How to Get Organized	Jen McCown
Calgary Local User Group	2021-09-22	SQL Server Configuration with dbatools and dbchecks	Tracy Boggiano
Calgary Local User Group	2021-09-22	Mental Health and Wellness in IT	Tracy Boggiano
LA Data Platform	2021-11-17	Migrations 101	Gilda Alvarez
LA Data Platform	2021-12-15	Intro to Query Store	Tracy Boggiano

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