Welcome to the Sep 17th 1800 HRS PST/2100 HRS EST 2025 HYBRID meeting!

We are once again meeting in person in Vancouver, WA at the downtown Umpqua Bank in their Community Room!

We meet on the 3rd Wednesday of the month once again at 6:00 PM PST. We will have snacks and networking before the main meeting.

We have a new location in Vancouver, WA and will be advertising this!

**Teams URL:**

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We will be starting at 6:00 PM PST/9:00 PM EST

**Schedule:** (may be fluid due to discussions and Q/A):  
6:00 – 6:30 PM – Snacks/Announcements/Networking  
6:30 PM – Presentation

8:30 PM – Happy Hour/Networking (Shanahans in Vancouver)

**Presentation:**

**Title:** **Introduction to PostgreSQL for the data professional**

**Book Description:**

**Adoption and use of PostgreSQL is growing all the time. From mom-and-pop shops to large enterprises, more data is being managed by PostgreSQL. In turn, this means that more data professionals need to learn PostgreSQL even when they have experience with other databases. While the documentation around PostgreSQL is detailed and technically rich, finding a simple, clear path to learning what it is, what it does, and how to use it can be challenging. This book seeks to help with that challenge.**

**We set about giving you all the basics of how to get started within PostgreSQL. From getting your first instance, or cluster, up and running, to backups, to server configurations, we cover all the basics. You'll learn about processing languages, monitoring, indexes and more. Every chapter provides fundamental knowledge and guidance so that you can more easily get started working with PostgreSQL. Getting started with PostgreSQL doesn't have to be a challenge and this book will help.**

**Abstract:**

**Join Ryan and Grant as they discuss their individual journeys into Postgres, their writing of the book, and how the book is designed to help Postgres converts.**

**Bio(s):**

**Ryan Booz -**

**Ryan is an Advocate at Redgate focusing on PostgreSQL. Ryan has been working as a PostgreSQL advocate, developer, DBA and product manager for more than 20 years, primarily working with time-series data on PostgreSQL and the Microsoft Data Platform.**

**Ryan is a long-time DBA, starting with MySQL and Postgres in the late 90s. He spent more than 15 years working with SQL Server before returning to PostgreSQL full-time in 2018. He’s at the top of his game when he's learning something new about the data platform or teaching others about the technology he loves.**

**Grant Fitchey –**

**Grant Fritchey, Microsoft Data Platform MVP, has more than thirty years experience in IT. That time was spent in technical support, development and database administration. Grant currently works as a Product Advocate at Red Gate Software. Grant writes articles for publication at SQL Server Central and Simple-Talk. He has published books including, "SQL Server Execution Plans" and "SQL Server 2022 Query Performance Tuning." Grant co-authored the book "Introduction to PostgreSQL" along with Ryan Booz. Grant presents on a variety of topics at user groups and conferences around the world.**

The link to the book at Red-Gate.com:

[Book - Introduction to PostgreSQL for the data professional](https://www.red-gate.com/solutions/entrypage/introduction-to-postgresql-for-the-data-professional/)