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Laura A. Clayton McDonnell	**General Manager, Enterprise & Partner Group** **Microsoft New York Metro District.** As general manager of the Enterprise & Partner Group for Microsoft's New York Metro District, Laura A. Clayton McDonnell is focused on driving positive results, growing market share, developing high performance teams, and transforming customers and culture. She has held executive-level roles at Aspect Software, IBM, Rational Software, Sun Microsystems, Cisco and Apple, and previously was in a private corporate and securities law practice. Clayton McDonnell received a bachelor of science degree, with distinction, from San Jose State University, and a JD-MBA from the University of California, Berkeley. She is admitted to the bar in Washington, D.C., and California, and received the 2008 YWCA Silicon Valley Tribute to Women Award. Clayton McDonnell is a member of the Women's Forum of New York, an advisory committee member of the 92Y's Belfer Center for Innovation and Social Impact, and a member of the board of directors of the Metro NY Chapter of the USNC for United Nations Women.
Dan Stolts **MC, Speaker, Content Creation, Organizer**	Dan Stolts "ITProGuru" is a technology expert who is a master of systems management, DevOps and security. He is Chief Technology Strategist for Microsoft, owns several businesses and is a published author. Reach him on his primary blog http://itproguru.com or twitter @ITProGuru. He is a proven leader of teams, people and projects. He is proficient in many datacenter technologies (Windows Server, System Center, Virtualization, Cloud, etc.) and holds many certifications including MCT, MCITP, MCSE, TS, etc. Dan is currently specializing in DevOps and cloud technologies. Dan is and has been a very active member of the user group community. Dan is an enthusiastic advocate of technology and is passionate about helping others. See more at http://itproguru.com/about.
Peter Laudati **MC, Speaker**	Peter Laudati, the "Jersey Shore Dev Guy," is a Developer Evangelist with Microsoft, based in the NY/NJ area. One of his roles is supporting and educating developers working Microsoft technologies. Peter supports the developer community in the NY Metro area by speaking at user group events, Code Camps, and various tech conferences. Peter is also the co-host of the "Connected Show" (www.connectedshow.com), a podcast focused on the cloud and connecting Microsoft technology with non-Microsoft technology. His blog can be found at http://www.peterlaudati.com. Follow him on Twitter @Jrzyshr
Ben Day	Benjamin Day is a consultant and trainer specializing in software best practices using Scrum with Microsoft's DevOps tools. Ben's main areas of emphasis include Team Foundation Server, Scrum, software testing, and software architecture. He is a Microsoft Visual Studio ALM MVP, a certified Scrum trainer via Scrum.org, and a speaker at conferences such as TechEd and VSLive. When not developing software, Ben's been known to go running and sea kayaking in order to balance out his love of cheese, cured meats, and champagne. His online courses are available at http://www.pluralsight.com. He can be contacted via http://www.benday.com.
Mike Richter	Mike Richter MBA MCSD is a technology professional with over 17 years of software development experience. In recent years, Mike has worked with cloud-based software in agile software teams as a product owner, architect and DevOps lead. He is currently a technical evangelist for Microsoft and works with partners that are deploying applications to the cloud. Mike is a certified Solutions Architect for Azure. He eats codes, sleeps and swing dances on Long Island, NY. Follow him on Twitter @michaelsrichter.
Jason Haley	Jason Haley is an independent consultant who focuses on Azure and Angular. He has over 20+ year's experience architecting, designing, developing and delivering software solutions using mostly Microsoft technologies. Jason recently achieved his MCSE: Cloud Platform and Infrastructure certification in May 2017 (by passing all of the 70-532, 70-533 and 70-534 exams). He is also a Microsoft Azure MVP and leads the North Boston Azure User Group. He frequently speaks at community events on topics relating to Azure.

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Mark Grimes	Mark Grimes has been with Microsoft Consulting Services for just under 7 years. He has focused on Identity Federation solutions over the duration and in the past 2 years has been helping organizations to plan, design and implement Azure infrastructure solutions as part of the Azure Center of Excellence at Microsoft. Mark has also lead Microsoft Azure Certification sessions internally at Microsoft, at Microsoft Ignite and on Microsoft Virtual Academy for the past couple of years for the Azure Infrastructure and Architecture exams. He is a frequent blogger on Azure, Azure Stack, AD, AD FS, Certification and other topics at aka.ms/markgrimes. Follow his updates on Twitter @markbgrimes.
Steve Porter	Entrepreneurial Technology Leader and Cloud Architect based in the greater Atlanta, GA metro area. Specialties include: * Running large complex software projects focusing on Enterprise level Multi-Platform solutions * Growing and leading software teams including mentoring resources to grow both their technical and soft consultative skills * Empowering organizations to revolutionize their software development and delivery processes through modern Agile and DevOps practices * Improving organizational hybrid cloud environments and workflows by incorporating high value/low cost cloud solutions with on premise tools and platforms * Converting business strategy and vision into a highly performance, scale-able, and maintainable software Architecture * Implementing extremely secure software solutions meeting HIPPA and PCI compliance
Kevin Hillinger	As an architect, I provide technical leadership, expertise and mentoring. I specialize in solutions architecture utilizing architectural styles to design and build reliable, maintainable systems that can scale. This includes Service Oriented Architecture (SOA), Domain Driven Design (DDD), and Event Driven Architecture (EDA). I promote development practices that have a measurable impact on the software delivery for a company's strategic directives. I've developed new products including large-scale Saas web applications, mobile, leveraging cutting edge technologies like cloud computing, rule/decision engines, noSQL, and messaging platforms.
Jim O'Neil	Jim has over 25 years of experience in the software industry spanning the disciplines of software prototyping, commercial software development, technical support, and developer evangelism. Jim comes to BlueMetal after almost six years as a Technical Evangelist for Microsoft where he most recently focused on helping developers achieve success in the Windows and Windows Phone marketplaces. A strong proponent of the local software economy, Jim is the co-founder of New England GiveCamp, an annual Hackathon supporting non-profits in the region, and he can often be spotted at technical meetups and events in the greater Boston area.
Praveen Rawat	Praveen is a Sr. Technology Evangelist for the Microsoft Cloud (Azure) platform. He has over 17 years of rich enterprise level decision-making experience leading Enterprise Architecture, Tech/Product strategy, Enterprise transformation, and Governance, development and integration initiatives. Praveen is helping drive Azure success with partners across the US.

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Bill Wilder	Bill Wilder is a cloud-computing veteran, with deep expertise in the Microsoft Azure cloud platform, with a technology focus on public cloud, distributed systems architecture, and application security. Since 2014, Bill has been CTO at Finomial, an early stage SaaS company serving the global hedge fund industry from the cloud. Prior to that, Bill consulted as a hands-on architect to giant corporations (including Microsoft), mid-sized companies, and startups, helping them execute on the cloud by providing architecture guidance, Azure training, and custom development. Bill began working with the Azure cloud platform the day it was unveiled at the Microsoft PDC in 2008 and subsequently founded, in October 2009, Boston Azure, the oldest Azure-focused community user group in the world. Bill is the author of the book *Cloud Architecture Patterns* which explains patterns and concepts core to understanding how to most effectively use public cloud platforms such as those from Microsoft, Amazon, and Google. Bill is recognized by Microsoft as a Microsoft Azure MVP, a reflection of his Azure cloud expertise, a willingness to share it, and community leadership.
Mike Corkery	Mike Corkery is a trainer and solutions consultant from the Boston area. As a trainer, he helps students learn a wide variety of Microsoft technologies including programming, database design, Microsoft SQL Server, Project Server, Power BI, and the entire suite of Microsoft Office applications. As a consultant, Michael helps clients integrate various technologies to create business solutions. Michael's first career out of college was in the biotech industry. He first learned to program by using Visual Basic for Applications (VBA) in Microsoft Excel. He turned hours of manual data processing into minutes and could spend more time analyzing data instead of processing data. Michael passed his first Microsoft exam in early 2001 and became a Microsoft Certified Trainer later that year. In 2012, Microsoft presented him the MVP award for work with the Office Systems suite of products.
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Ian Philpot	Ian works with emerging technologies. He uses the full stack development skills cultivated over 15 years to work across functional areas, domains, and disciplines. Ian focuses on using proven patterns and practices to ensure the adoption of these technologies is seamless and unobtrusive. He has worked on Emmy award winning projects and helped customers around the globe to build scalable distributed systems. Cloud technologies, DevOps, and Automation are his focus and passion. Currently he is focused on building distributed microservices using technologies like Docker and Node.js. These systems deploy and scale themselves. Philpot also researches Bots, machine learning, and artificial intelligence and how to integrate them into existing systems. When he is not behind a computer, you'll find him on a trail running, riding his bike, or hiking with his kids.