

# The XLerant NewsPak

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## Did You Know...

\* We have a self guided end user tutorial that is accessed via our website and then run locally. Take a look and see if you think it will meet your needs.

[Click to access the tutorial.](#)\*

## Our Perspective

Solving Ambiguous Problems - What Successful Companies Get That the Rest of Us Don't  
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## Welcome Back!

Hello Christine ,

I hope you enjoy this edition of the XLerant NewsPak where you can find out about new features, learn a clever way to do something, and find out what's happening in the XLerant community.



Warm Regards,  
-Joanne E. Brunn, VP Client Services

## Save the date: User Conference Webinar - March 20

I hope you will join us for the quarterly User Conference Webinar. It will be held on Tuesday, March 20th at 2pm EST.

Topics for the webinar include:

- Company update
- Features in the latest release
- Potential new enhancements
- Forecasting tutorial - how does forecasting work in BudgetPak and how is it different than budgeting
- Your questions

If there is something that you would like me to cover in this or any upcoming webinar, please send an email to [Services@XLerant.com](mailto:Services@XLerant.com)



## You asked, We delivered

Significant reduction in initialization time:

Customers are experiencing initialization performance improvements of **80 - 90%**. For example, a initialization that used to take 2 hours and 20 minutes, now takes 12 minutes and 33 seconds.

**More myXL functions = Better reporting and analysis:**

- Subtotals
- Unit Totals
- Headcount functions
- Year-To-Date and Quarterly data retrieval
- Selection of individual months/quarters/YTD

***Have you upgraded yet?***

**How do I...?**

***Q. Sometimes when we copy a Draft Budget version to the Final Sign-off version, we do not see the Sign-off button. Why does this happen?***



A. The Sign Off button will not appear unless the logged in user has the signoff capability. There are three ways to have this:

1. You are explicitly designated as the Budget Holder for the unit (in Configuration -> Units)
2. Your login role includes the capability "CHG\_ALL\_BUDGETS" (see Configuration -> User Roles)
3. You are a super-administrator (your login role includes the capability "SUPERADMIN")

The following do not confer signoff capability:

1. You are designated as a budget assistant (in Configuration -> Units).
2. You are the budget holder of unit(s) higher in the hierarchy. (You can see this unit - but you can't sign it off.)

Please see section 1.11 of the reference manual, "1.11: What is a budgetholder? Assistant budgetholder?", for more information.

## Client Profile

### *We wouldn't be us without you!*

We are thrilled when you, our customers, get involved in our webinars. On March 8th, Linda Murphy Church from the prestigious **Rhode Island School of Design** will discuss how she applied the rigorous Malcolm Baldrige Excellence criteria to first evaluate, and then justify changes to the university's budget process.



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## Talk to us!

- Do you have a BudgetPak question?
- Is there a feature that you would love to see in an upcoming release?
- Do you need a training refresher or consulting help?
- Are you thinking about rolling-out to more users?

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