News from the Operations Committee

Our next SNAC Partners Meeting will be Sept. 2019 at the National Archives in Washington, DC. Please take this short survey to tell us what the best dates for you are. If you have questions, contact Dina Herbert at NARA.

We are pleased to announce that Sue Perdue will be the Deputy Director of SNAC. In addition to her SNAC role, Sue is Director of Digital Strategy at Virginia Humanities (https://www.virginiahumanities.org/). Sue is a documentary editor, and currently is a member of the Advisory Committee on Historical Diplomatic Documentation for the U.S. State Department. She was also director of the Mellon Foundation funded People of the Founding Era (PFE; https://pfe.rotunda.oup.press/virginia.edu/).

We are further pleased to announce that Jason Jordan has joined SNAC as a programmer-developer. Initially, while Joseph Glass is on parent leave, Jason will focus on ingesting new batches of CPF data into SNAC: People of the Founding Era biographies; Encyclopedia Virginia biographies (https://www.encyclopediavirginia.org/), and more.

And finally, with respect to Joseph Glass’ parental leave, it began yesterday! He and Amanda are the pleased, proud parents of a baby girl, Willow Verity Glass. Congratulations to Joseph and Amanda.

General Updates

Communications:
The Communications Working Group continues efforts to update the SNAC public website.

Developer's Update (Joseph and Jason):

SNACSchool:
The Team met on February 14, 2019, for it’s quarterly meeting, under leadership of Dina Herbert. In the works for the Team are possible SNACSchool training events: Spring 2019; August 2019, Austin, Texas, and the SNAC partners’ meeting in early Fall. If you or your colleagues are interested in a Spring training, please contact Dina Herbert or Jerry Simmons.

Standards and Editorial Policy:
Technology Infrastructure:

On February 20, the Technology Infrastructure Working Group opened their regular conference call to Cooperative Members to view Mark Custer's demonstration of the tool OpenRefine, http://openrefine.org/. The demo was recorded and is available here https://yalelibrary.zoom.us/recording/play/napIPdNx14dVyrJlTYaBjDVNoWOEAUj_6drEhjKF0aYtQHOOem9FC2qxHtwDxWC?continueMode=true. For more information about the demonstration, see Mark's email of February 22 sent to the snac-coopmembers listserv.

Other Announcements