SNAC January 2023 Newsletter

## From the Operations Committee

## Announcements

*Director, Susan Pyzynski*

## SNAC 2022 Annual Meeting

A virtual annual meeting was held on September 7th and 8th. The agenda is available on the [SNAC web site](https://portal.snaccooperative.org/node/602), and presentation slides will be posted there soon. If you presented at the meeting, please be sure to give [Jerry Simmons](mailto:jerry.simmons@nara.gov) a copy of your slides! Recordings from the Zoom sessions have been uploaded to SNAC’s [YouTube channel](https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLtscgPbDiJF6s4eSBFXSMY6NSRq7q2XVJ) (thanks to Iris Lee’s efforts).

As a reminder for those who were able to attend, the Operations Committee would ask that you please fill out [this brief survey](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1LeJY9Ad4Bm5FDXqzSuyczzZ0pO4yPMXUSjZd5h9iZiA/edit) to help us plan for next year’s meeting. Thanks!

## SNAC Membership Proposal

As was briefly discussed in the September 2022 annual meeting, SNAC has moved from a grant-funded model to a fee-based subscription model. Subscriptions will cover SNAC’s operational costs and provide training and technical support for member activities and contributed repository data and descriptions. The Cooperative is currently managed by the University of Virginia Library, and the fees will help cover one full-time developer and a part-time administrator employed by the University of Virginia, as well as associated operating costs (such as travel, equipment, and other services).

The membership model has been updated from what was discussed in September to include a free individual membership, a slightly different set of tiers, and the option to be a sustaining member in support of under-resourced and under-represented groups and organizations.

| **Tier** | **Accounts** | **Membership yearly subscription** | **Sustaining membership yearly subscription** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Individual | Single user | free | free |
| Small | Up to three | $2,000 | $2,400 |
| Medium | Up to five | $5,000 | $6,000 |
| Large | Up to eight | $7,500 | $9,000 |
| Very Large | Unlimited | $10,000 | $12,000 |

A small local archive or college library will find their needs met with a limited number of accounts, but a larger archive with multiple repositories will need more.

An overview [of the current proposal](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1nqYqW04dcbk66pOlKfkQZ-JZXBuSseGX/view?usp=sharing) was sent to the members listserv on December 8, along with a link to an [online survey form](https://forms.gle/XWRZgeUs1zoo1Sv6A) asking for feedback and suggestions. Many thanks to all who responded, and the form is still open to the rest of the community. All responses will be anonymous and will be shared with the SNAC community. We will be posting a FAQ page on the SNAC portal with more information, so please stay tuned for that.

## SNACSchool Training

The SNACSchool Team announces these upcoming training events:

* Create & Edit
  + February 22-23, 2023
  + April 19-20, 2023
* Reference & Research
  + March 15, 2023
* [Full 2023 Calendar is now on the portal](https://portal.snaccooperative.org/node/521)
* **Save the Date:** A SNACSchool “Train the Trainer” event is set for January 25, 2023 – stay tuned for more information coming soon!
* Other News
  + The SNACSchool Team met on November 9 to discuss the 2023 calendar
  + SNACSchool Team supported the Indigenous Editathon on November 15th
    - Great deal of work done on SNAC records for Indian schools entity records

Please contact [Dina Herbert](mailto:dina.herbert@nara.gov) to register for upcoming SNACSchool events.

***Join the SNACSchool Team!*** As always, the SNACSchool Team welcomes anyone interested in joining the SNACSchool in an advisory or instructor role. Please contact [Jerry Simmons](mailto:jerry.simmons@nara.gov) to request conferencing details and for questions in general.

## SNAC Stats

*The following includes general statistical information about use of SNAC’s research portal.*

As of reporting time (Thu, Jan 26 2023), there were 3,537,968 identity constellations and 2,104,447 resource descriptions in SNAC. In the past month, SNAC had over 205,623 users and referred over 5,086 visitors to holding institutions’ sites.

### Developer’s Update

*Jason Jordan, Interim Developer (*[*jlj5aj@virginia.edu*](mailto:jlj5aj@virginia.edu)*)*

Active development remains on hold until a new full-time developer is hired. In the

meantime, Jason will perform general maintenance, handle small changes, and

implement bug fixes to SNAC and its various plugins.

## Member News and Publications

*We invite Cooperative members to share news about SNAC-related projects or initiatives they are undertaking, such as workflows and policies for creating or enhancing identity constellations,* *or highlight identity constellations, particularly those of individuals or groups from underrepresented communities. We also invite Cooperative members to share articles, blog posts, and any other content they’ve published about SNAC and SNAC-related topics or projects. For inclusion in the newsletter, please send a short (150-words max) blurb for news, or citations with links for publications, to Sarah Wells, Communications Working Group chair at* [*spw4s@virginia.edu*](mailto:spw4s@virginia.edu)*. If you’d like to highlight news or content on SNAC’s Twitter, please use* [*this form*](https://forms.gle/VBu1MvYKuMVa4jeh8) *to submit your request.*

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