SUMAC
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Introduction

This document describes the changes made to release 4.5.8 of Sumac to create release 4.5.9.

Important Fixes

Sumac includes bug fixes and experience optimizations as a standard part of every release. These minor changes are not normally documented in the release notes, but this release has some fixes to issues that affected many users. We've included the "Important Fixes" section to highlight those changes.

Course Registrations

In past versions of Sumac, users were able to register the same contact for a course session more than once. In this version of Sumac, the software checks before registering a contact to ensure that they were not already signed up for the same session. This helps prevent duplicate registrations and data entry errors.

Pledges

In past versions of Sumac, Pledge records required a value to be set in the Last Payment Date field. Despite this requirement, Sumac still allowed Pledge records to be created and saved without a value in this field. Once saved, users were not able to open the record since Sumac was expecting a value in the Last Payment Date field.

In this release of Sumac, the software no longer expects the Last Payment Date field to be filled. This change allows the records to be saved without a value in that field, and subsequently re-opened without causing an error.
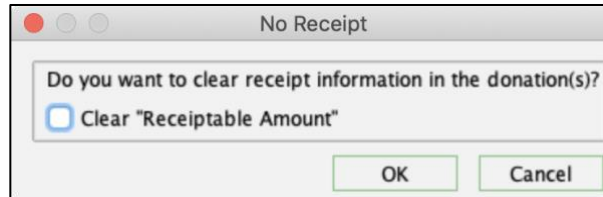
Printing

We have addressed an issue where Sumac was incorrectly printing the Return Address on labels and envelopes. Sumac 4.5.9 now correctly prints the return address.
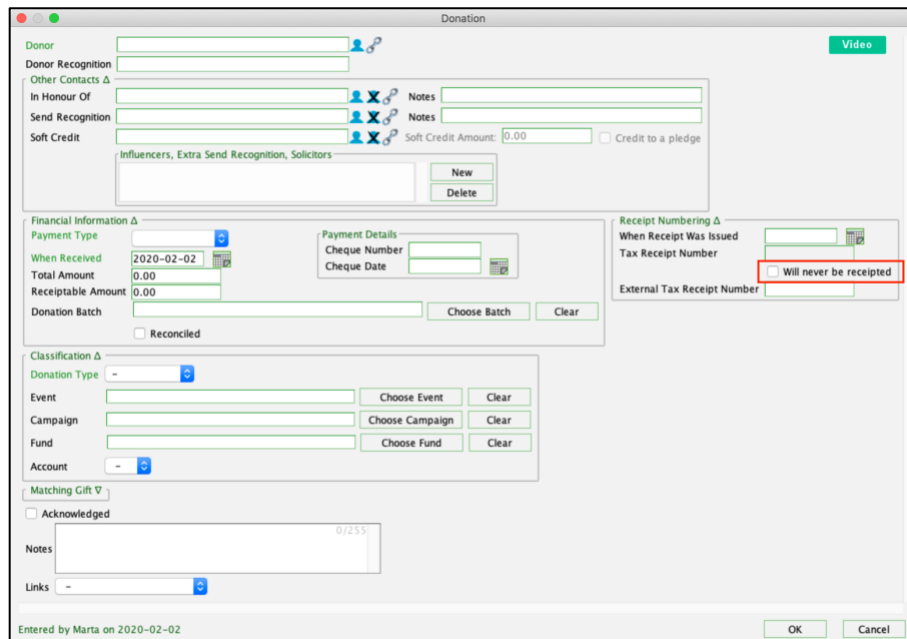
Donations

The logic that Sumac uses for donations that are marked as "Will never be receipted" has been enhanced. In the past, when a donation was marked as not receiptable, Sumac would automatically clear out the **Receiptable Amount** field of the Donation record.

Now when a donation is marked with a not recieptable status, the user is prompted with an alert regarding the **Receiptable Amount** field. This gives the user control over whether Sumac clears the amount information or not.
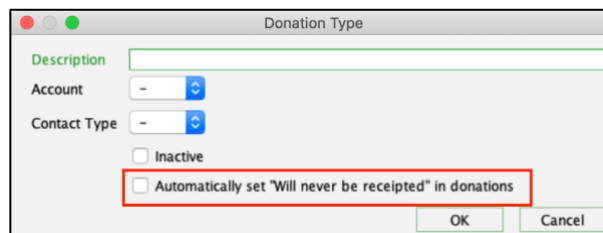

This dialog appears for donations that have not been receipted. Donations can be marked as not receiptable by users in one of two ways:

- By manually clicking the checkbox in the Donation record

- Assigning the Donation record to a Donation Type marked as not receiptable

Funder Requests

A **Fund** field has been added to the Funder Request record. This way, you can track all Requests that are related to any particular Fund.

Memberships

We have added a search type to the Memberships list for Starting Date. This means that you can now search memberships based on the day it comes into effect.

Volunteer and Staff Tasks

When sorting the task list by the Duration column, Sumac now shows the total hours in HH:MM format. This information is displayed in the bottom bar of the Volunteer and Staff Tasks list. In the past, this value was displayed as a calculation of total seconds.