NEWS FOR THE ASSOCIATION

At the <u>Eighth National Convention of the AAASS</u> (October 6-9, 1976, St. Louis, Missouri) our Association is sponsoring the session entitled: The Slavs' Contribution to American Scholarship: a review and an appraisal. The Association's President, Stephan M. Horak, Eastern Illinois University, will be the session's chairman and commentator. Panelists will be: Joseph F. Zacek, State University of New York at Albany, "Czech and Slovak Contribution to American East European Historiography"; Thaddeus V. Gromada, Jersey City State College, "The Contribution of Oscar Halecki and Other Poles to American Scholarship"; Alexander Sydorenko, Arkansas State University, "Ukrainians in American East European Studies"; Wlodomyr Zhyla, Texas Tech University, "George Y. Shevelov: His Contribution to the Prehistory of Slavic"; Samuel P. Oliner, Humboldt State University, "Contribution of East Europeans to American Sociology." Papers will be distributed among those in attendance and the participants will offer only summaries of their papers in order to stimulate and invite discussion from the floor.

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The 5th Conference on Baltic Studies will be held May 20-23, 1976, at Columbia University, New York, N. Y. The event is co-sponsored by the Association for the Advancement of Baltic Studies and the Program on Soviet Nationality Problems, Columbia University. Conference theme will be: "The Baltic Peoples and Their Neighbors: Interaction with Tsarist and Soviet Society." Roberts Rusis is the chairman of the Arrangements Committee. Mailing address: AABS Conference, 366-86th St., Brooklyn, N. Y., 11209.

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The <u>Byelorussian Heritage Festival</u> (June 12, 1976, Garden State Arts Center, Holmdel, N. J.) is jointly sponsored by the New Jersey Highway Authority and the Byelorussian Festival Committee, Vitaut Kipel, Chairman. Ticket Chairman is Witali Cierpicki, 10 Colfax St., South River, N. J., 08882. Additional information about the Festival is available by calling the Garden State Arts Center (201-442-8600, ext. 222).

A <u>European Studies Conference</u> (October 14-16, 1976, Ramada Inn Central Omaha, Nebraska) is sponsored by the Office of International Studies and Programs at The University of Nebraska at Omaha. Europe is defined as being from the Atlantic to the Urals and without time parameters. The Conference will be interdisciplinary in nature with the following general areas from which more narrowly defined panels may be developed: Research tools and methodology in European Studies, The Secondary Teacher and European Studies, European Studies in the College and University, Demography and Europe, The Future of Europe, The Bicentennial and the European Heritage, Literature and European Studies, The Fine Arts and European Civilization, European Diplomacy, Racism and Sexism in Europe. If you have any suggestions or desire additional information on the Conference, please contact: Orville D. Menard, Coordinator, European Studies Conference, Department of Political Science, The University of Nebraska at Omaha, Omaha, Nebraska 68101; telephone: 402-554-2624.

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The <u>Second Annual Conference</u>, <u>Slavic-Americans in Maryland</u>: <u>current ethnic issues</u>, was held March 20, 1976, at the Loyola College, Baltimore, Maryland. The Conference was co-sponsored by: Polish Heritage Association of Maryland, Inc., and Ukrainian Education Association of Maryland, Inc. Its purposes were: "to delineate areas of research that will provide better knowledge of life and problems of Slavic ethnic groups in Maryland/ United States; and to identify courses of action needed for accomplishments." Paul Fenchack, Secondary School Coordinator of our Association and Teacher of The American Experience, Pikesville Senior High School, gave a paper entitled: "Current Status of Slavic Studies in the Public Schools in Maryland."

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The <u>Second Annual Convention of the Eastern Economic Association</u>, was held April 15-17, 1976, at Bloomsburg State College, Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania. Among participating organizations was also the Sevchenko Scientific Society. Our member, Nicholas G. Bohatiuk, Le Moyne College, chaired and discussed the session entitled: The Economy of Ukraine in the 1970's. Among the discussants was also our member, Oleg Zinam, University of Cincinnati.

The Rutgers University Graduate School of Education Bicentennial Symposium was held March 23 and 24, 1976, in New Brunswick, N. J. The event was cosponsored by the Intercultural Relations and Ethnic Studies Institute, Rutgers Graduate School of Education and the Shevchenko Scientific Society. Member Nicholas G. Bohatiuk gave a paper entitled: "The economy of the Ukraine 1950-1975: developments and trends"; and Ihor Kamenetsky, also our member, presented the paper: "Legal and political aspects of the Reichscommissariat Ukraine within a general framework of the Nazi occupational policy." Member Wlodymyr Stoyko was the moderator for this scholarly symposium.

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A <u>Polish Heritage Week</u> was held April 22-30, 1976, at the Alliance College, Cambridge Springs, Pennsylvania. Included in the program were slide shows, films, both documentary and dramatic, theatre dramas and lectures.

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Central Michigan University in cooperation with the <u>Ukrainian Free</u> <u>University</u>, Munich, Germany, is offering "Munich Project '76." The purpose of the program is to provide an introduction to the issues of international development. The Program is in two sessions: July 6-23, and July 26-August 15. The program is open to students of accredited American and foreign schools of higher education. For further information contact: Dr. Ihor Kamenetsky, Political Science Department, Anspach 235, Central Michigan University, Mt. Pleasant, Michigan 48859, or telephone: 517-774-3480.

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Canadian Review of Studies in Nationalism is a scholarly journal dedicated to the comparative study of nationalism as a force in any area of the world. The Review solicits subscriptions and inquiries, as well as manuscripts in English, French, German, and Spanish. A semi-annual publication, CRSN will also provide an annual annotated bibliographic supplement of literature relating to nationalism. Subscriptions per annum: \$9.00; for two years: \$14.00; annual student rate: \$5.00. Please direct inquires to: Dr. Thomas Spira, Editor, Department of History, University of Prince Edward Island, Charlottetown, P.E.I., Canada.

Our Association has become affiliated with the <u>National Confederation</u> of <u>American Ethnic Groups</u> (NCAEG) and is entitled to two votes therein. The dues were paid by three of our members: Paul Fenchack, Stephen Basarab, and Walter Melianovich. A vote of thanks and appreciation for their support and initiative is due from all of us.

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The <u>Immigration History Research Center</u> will again offer grants-in-aid and research assistantships during 1976-1977. Grants-in-aid up to \$3,000. for travel and living expenses are available to doctoral candidates, recent Ph.D.s and established scholars. Deadline for applications is May 1, 1976. For more information, please contact

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