

President's Report October 2005

Another year draws to a close and the Committee of Management has been working consistently on a number of projects during the last year. These include:

- Organising and cataloguing the existing collection;
- Seeking funding; and
- ✤ Oral History Project.

Organising and cataloguing the collection:

The Committee of Management have organised a number of working bees at Millenium House sorting through the collection, packing items into acid free folders and boxes. The collection was viewed by a few interested members of Rada Naczelna during their recent visit and meeting in Melbourne.

Seeking funding

The organization was successful in obtaining a large grant from the Polish Consulate General for a sum of \$2000. The money was obtained to further the work of the oral history project and to assist in the production a video/DVD based on the interviews recorded by Mrs Zientalski and Ms. Helen Evert. The organization has also applied to the Blum foundation for continuing support in terms of organisational support and funding for the Oral History Project.

Oral History Project

The oral history project is proceeding with a few interviews conducted however the main efforts have been directed towards the production of a video/DVD. The first production will be about the ex-service men who served in the Carpathian Division. The production of the video was produced in conjunction with Art-Mill Video and Photography studio.

Treasurer's position

The Committee of Management welcomed a new committee member Ania Zamecznik. Ania Zamecznik took on the role of treasurer after Mrs Kuszel resigned from the position due to time restraints. Ania has been a valuable addition to our team and we are grateful for her time and efforts.

Finally I take this opportunity to thank all Committee of Management members for their work and efforts, in particular Mrs Emilia Zientalska for her tireless efforts in recording Polish stories and events. We also thank our membership for their interest and support.

Helena Evert President