

From the Editor

Dober začetek je pol dela.
Well begun is half done.

If the proverb is true, then Slovene Studies: The Journal of the Society for Slovene Studies has indeed had an auspicious beginning, and that many years before this first issue. For the journal in hand is not an innovation, but rather a continuation and amalgamation of two earlier publications of the Society for Slovene Studies, the Newsletter (1973-1978) and Papers in Slovene Studies (1975-1978). In this new format Slovene Studies endeavors to continue the scholarly tradition established by its predecessors, while expanding its offerings to reflect the broadening interests and undertakings of the members of the Society and other researchers in the Slovene field.

It is the sincere wish of the Editor and Editorial Committee of Slovene Studies that our publication maintain the standards of scholarship, integrity, and objectivity set for it by the Constitution and traditions of the Society for Slovene Studies. With its new format we trust the journal will answer better our purpose, to promote the study of Slovene language, literature, and culture. And we hope our readers will find that we have indeed achieved 'a good beginning'.