## **Ladies Auxiliary**

The Ladies Auxiliary very especially important in the Society's activities.

The wives of the Executive Members are first and foremost. They provide hospitality to the Executive. Each meeting is held at a different home of an Executive Member, where his wife is the hostess and all are welcomed at laden tables, as if it were a banquet on a festive occasion.

The wives of all the *landsleit* also distinguish themselves at all functions and, especially, at the money showers. Besides occupying themselves with collecting items for the bazaar, inviting their friends and acquaintances, each of the female *landsleit*<sup>1</sup> contributes money, items and specially, home-baked goods for the money showers and the functions.

It may be rightly declared that sixty percent of the Society's proceeds are raised by the Ladies Auxiliary.

Even though each of the female *landsleit* deserves to be represented by a picture and a brief account, this is impossible from the technical standpoint - because some sixty or seventy pictures, even with the briefest of accounts, would take up at least 100 pages. It is due to this very reason that the names of the ladies are also not listed.

Let us hereby make an exception for one female member, due to her special activities of maintaining a book, which is called "Sefer Ha'Zchus" [Heb., The Book of Merit]. In this book are written all the names and addresses of landsleit in Israel and other countries, who approach the Society for monetary aid. In this book are [also] written all the requests, when, how much and what was sent, as well as the responses that arrived. This book has been kept for twelve years by Mrs Sala Ickowicz, the wife of the Society's Chairman.

We convey particular gratitude and acknowledgement to the entire Ladies Auxiliary for their indefatigable and devoted activities and special thanks to Mrs Sala Ickowicz for keeping the *Sefer Ha'Zchus* in an exemplary manner.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> [TN: The word used in the Yiddish original is "landsladies" – a term most likely coined in North America, which we have opted not to employ due to its similarity to the word "landlady".]



The Ladies Auxiliary of the Czenstochover Landsmanshaft of Montreal