Military Efforts of American Polonia in the years 1914-1920

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When: **April 23, 2023 at 3 PM**

Where: **Associated Polish Home (Dom Polski), 9150 Academy Road, Philadelphia, PA 19114**

Free admission

Join us for the lecture, with pączki and coffee!

About the Lecture

The lecture will focus on the contribution of Polish immigrants in the US to the fight of regaining Polish independence. Twenty one thousand volunteers from the US and Canada joined the Polish Army in France, called the Haller's Blue Army. In addition, $16 million was collected in patriotic donations for Polish causes. These were unprecedented, but unfortunately, not fully acknowledged events in US history. The lecture will be accompanied by a presentation of over 100 unique photographs from the archives of the Polish Army Veterans' Association in America.

About the Lecturer

Dr. Teofil Lachowicz is a graduate of the Teacher Training College in Zielona Góra and was a history teacher in the years 1977-1990. He has lived in the USA since 1991. He volunteers at the Pilsudski Institute in New York and teaches at the John Pauls's the II Polish School in Maspeth, NJ. Since 1998, Dr. Lachowicz also works as an archivist at the Polish Army Veterans' Association in America and as an editor of the monthly "Veteran". In 2001 he received a Ph.D. in history from the Department of Humanities of Zielona Góra University. Dr Lachowicz is the author of numerous monographs including "Polish Veterans in America until 1939", "100 Years in Service of Polonia", "Outline for the History of the Polish National Home in Greenpoint", " For Saving Your Country", " Sketches from History of Polish Immigrants in America", "Polish Freedom Fighters on American Soil" and over two hundred articles in Polonia press in the US, Canada, and Great Britain.

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