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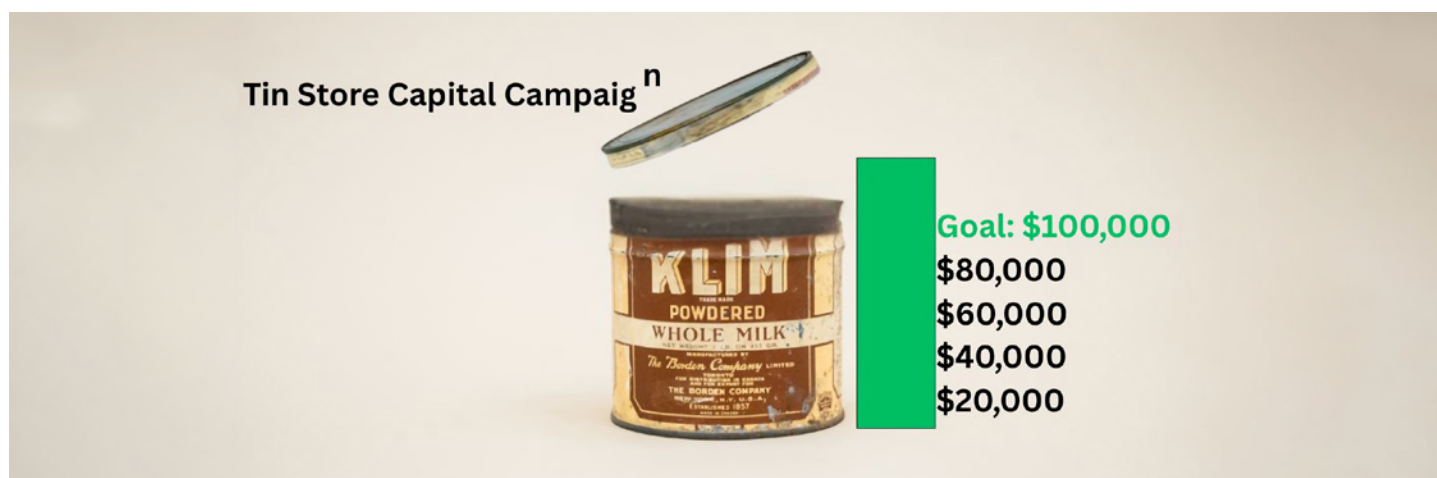
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 Polish-American Foundation
for the Commemoration of POW Camps in Szubin

 Friends of Oflag 64

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Donors Blow the Lid Off Tin Store Capital Campaign!



Dear Friends, Supporters, and Partners,

Thanks to your extraordinary support, we exceeded our goal to raise \$100,000. When our campaign ended on May 8--Victory in Europe (VE) Day--your generous donations totaled **\$123,186.13!**

Thank you to everyone who donated – as individuals, families, and bundled together groups, you totaled **55 donors**. Please visit our website to view the listing of all our Capital Campaign donors [HERE](#). [Donors, please contact us](#) by June 1 if the way your name is listed needs to be corrected.

The campaign's number of donors, dollar amounts, and your speedy response reflect our shared recognition of the importance of preserving this history. Your enthusiasm mirrors the strong bonds formed by our POWs during their captivity, which they maintained for decades afterwards. These bonds have passed along to their descendants, their friends and their families.

Meanwhile, our fabricator in Gdansk has begun the detailed carpentry work for our exhibit cases. Each case is customized for its

artifacts and purposes – whether displaying an escape map, a POW-handmade shoe, or playing the soundtrack of the Oflag 64 Glee Club. At the end of April, our designers and the Foundation's Board President Mariusz Winiecki met at the carpentry shop in Gdansk to get a firsthand look at the initial set of completed cases.

Once they finish building the display cases, our construction team will transport the custom-crafted carpentry to Szubin for installation. Next, they'll bring the space to life by setting up video monitors, immersive audio stations, and precision lighting designed to highlight every detail. They will place each exceptional artifact into its beautifully designed case.

We plan to complete our entire installation – carpentry, audio, visual and lighting – by early 2026. We look forward to seeing you in Szubin in the spring of 2026 for our Opening Ceremony. Details soon!



Friends of Oflag 64

MISSION: Friends of Oflag 64 supports the Polish-American Foundation by fundraising, collecting artifacts, publicizing and promoting the Museum of POWs in Szubin, so that the history of the POW camp in Szubin and the courageous Polish citizens who assisted them will be preserved for generations to come.

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The staff of "Headlines by the AP," (l-r) 1st Row: Leonard Feldman, Gerald Long, Seymour Bolten. 2nd Row: Richard Rossbach, Larry Allen. Photo taken January 1944 at Oflag 64. Photo courtesy of Susanna Bolten Connaughton.



Polish-American Foundation

for the Commemoration of POW Camps in Szubin

MISSION: The Foundation contributes to the knowledge of World War II by studying and commemorating the experiences of Allied prisoners-of-war. In addition to the history and operations of the German POW camps, its projects focus on the thousands of POWs who the Germans incarcerated in Szubin, Poland, and the brave Polish citizens who assisted those prisoners. Its cornerstone project is the creation of a museum in Szubin at the original site of one of the camp's barracks.

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