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In a bout that has the makings of a match made in boxing heaven, former Heavyweight Champion Sergei "White Wolf" Liakhovich takes on top Heavyweight Contender "Fast" Eddie Chambers to open the new NBC Sports Network's Fight Night on January 21, 2012, at 9pm, at Asylum Arena in Philadelphia.

Sergei is a native of Belarus and grew up in the former Soviet Union. He attributes his upbringing to the type of fighter and person he is today. "Growing up in Belarus was the best life lesson for me. It prepared me for all the challenges that life brings." "It made me stronger and hungrier for a better life." Someone once said 'sports does not build character, it reveals it,' growing up in Belarus definitely helped build my character!"

Since he was 12 years old, Liakhovich always dreamed of becoming a professional boxer. When Sergei was young he would cut out articles from newspapers and magazines which featured fighters like Mike Tyson and Evander Holyfield. He envisaged becoming a boxing icon. "I knew that the United States was the most important place to be in order to make it big in professional boxing. When I was 23, I obtained one of my goals by coming to the US, it wasn't easy. Becoming World Champion at 29 was the next big accomplishment, now I intend to continue the dream by becoming a world champion again" Sergei said.

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