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Old World Foundation Announces 2019-2020 Funding for Old World Wisconsin

Eagle, WI--Old World Foundation held its Annual Meeting virtually in November where they announced that they have gifted Old World Wisconsin, which is owned and operated by the Wisconsin Historical Society, with \$114,014.00 this past fiscal year (October 1, 2019-September 30, 2020). Although this past fiscal year saw challenges brought about by COVID-19, a dedicated group of *Friends* Partners and supporters continued to generously give from their hearts this year.

Old World Foundation Board Chair, Hans Pregler, had announced in December 2019 that the annual campaign for 2020 would be children's programming, and thanks to those who donated, we raised over \$28,000 for education/children's programming. Hans stated that "This funding was originally intended to enhance the wonderful, on-site field trips that Old World Wisconsin is known for; however, with all of the COVID-19 related changes, Old World Wisconsin was able to pivot to virtual field trips. Teachers are now able to choose from several topics and have a unique virtual field trip experience. The \$28,000 raised, during the Chair's Challenge, helps provide equipment, materials, and subsidies for schools to afford these programs."

Old World Foundation was founded in 1984 to raise money to support projects and programs at Old World Wisconsin that cannot be funded through their operating budget. Keeping history relevant by supporting historic preservation, the heritage-breed animals, the heirloom gardens, collections, programming and more, is important for future generations.

For information on virtual field trips and other programs, visit the Old World Wisconsin website at www.oldworldwisconsin.org. To learn how you can partner with Old World Foundation to support the many projects and programs at Old World Wisconsin, visit the Foundation's website at www.oldworldfoundation.org.

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