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Old World Foundation surpasses fundraising goal to restore Wittnebel's Tavern at Old World Wisconsin

Eagle, WI—Thanks to the many people who donated to fund interior restoration and purchase furnishings for the Wittnebel's Tavern at Old World Wisconsin, Old World Foundation raised over \$43,000. In early summer, the Chair of the OWF Board of Trustees issued a challenge to raise \$35,000 by the beginning of August for this initiative, and due to the generosity of the community, this goal was surpassed. Donors were invited to an exclusive evening celebration at Old World Wisconsin to thank them for their support. This event, called our Sunset Soiree, was an evening celebrating tavern preservation with kindred spirits at Old World Wisconsin.

Guests to Sunset Soiree were treated to an evening of music, gourmet appetizers and desserts, cocktails, a narrated tram ride through Old World Wisconsin, an exciting raffle and comradery. The new Brewhouse opened this season and exterior restoration work has begun on the Wittnebel's Tavern built in 1906. The tavern was relocated to Old World Wisconsin from Old Ashipunn in 2021. After the exterior restoration work is complete, interior restoration work will begin. This exciting project will preserve the building and restore it to its mid-1930's appearance.

These buildings are just the beginning of a multi-year, multi-phase project that will transform Old World Wisconsin into an unforgettable destination. Additional donations for other aspects of this project are deeply appreciated. For more information on this New Arrivals/Welcome Experience Campaign, please visit the Old World Foundation website at: oldworldfoundation.org or call (262)594-2922.

Old World Wisconsin will be open weekends through September. For information on the remainder of Old World Wisconsin's 2022 season including Halloween Legends and Lore and Home for the Holidays, please visit their website: oldworldwisconsin.org. Old World Wisconsin is owned and operated by the Wisconsin Historical Society.