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Root, Root, Root for the Home Team!

Eagle, Wis. – On July 7, bring the family out to Old World Wisconsin as the Eagle Diamonds base ball club, based on the 19th century Waukesha Diamonds, play a game the old-fashioned way.

"Historic base ball games offer guests a glimpse into how the sport was played in the 1870's," says Dan Freas, site director at Old World Wisconsin. "Historic period details of these games, such as underhanded pitching and players not wearing gloves, offer a unique experience compared to present day baseball games."

Historic 1870's base ball at Old World Wisconsin is the full re-creation of the 1870's game, including the field, equipment, rules, and terminology. Following the game, guests of all ages can take a swing with a replica bat, run the bases or play the field.

The 2018 summer season features games on the following dates:

- Saturday, July 7, 1:30 pm
- Saturday, July 21, 1:30 pm
- Saturday, August 18, 1:30 pm
- Saturday, September 8, 1:30 pm

Wisconsin Historical Society members receive free admission to Old World Wisconsin and all Wisconsin Historical Society historic sites and museums across the state. The price of admission for Old World Wisconsin is: adults (18-64) \$19; children (5-17) \$10; seniors (65 & older) \$16; family pass (up to 2 adults and all children up to age 17) \$50. All events will be held during Old World Wisconsin's normal operating hours: 10 am – 5 pm.

For more information and the full list of activities, visit <http://www.oldworldwisconsin.org>.

About Old World Wisconsin

Old World Wisconsin is a 600-acre regional history attraction that features interactive environments and immersive stories of 19th-and early 20th-century Midwestern immigrant farm and rural life. It is one of twelve Wisconsin Historical Society sites and museums around the state. The site operates weekends in May, then daily Memorial Day through Labor Day, then Thursdays through Sundays September 10 through October 31. The museum offers guests hands-on activities, led by period-clad staff members, as they visit 10 working farmsteads, explore 12 heirloom gardens, meet heritage animal breeds and try historic crafts and skills. Old World Wisconsin is located on Highway 67 just south of Eagle, Wisconsin in the Milwaukee/Chicago/Madison triangle. For more information visit www.oldworldwisconsin.org or call 262-594-6301.

About Wisconsin Historical Society

The Wisconsin Historical Society, founded in 1846, ranks as one of the largest, most active and most diversified state historical societies in the nation. As both a state agency and a private membership organization, its mission is to help people connect to the past by collecting, preserving and sharing stories. The Wisconsin Historical Society serves millions of people every year through a wide range of sites, programs and services. For more information, visit www.wisconsinhistory.org.

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