



# 2018 HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP OFFER

January 12, 2018

Dear friend of the museum:

The Cokato Historical Society is starting its 2018 membership campaign. Your willingness to support our efforts with your *tax-deductible donations* are greatly appreciated, and keeps the Cokato Museum & Akerlund Photography Studio an innovative leader for small museums in Minnesota.

Why are we asking for your support? Since its opening in 1976, the historical society has worked in partnership with the City of Cokato to support the operation of the museum & studio. During a typical year, the society provides 20-25% of that total cost. Your tax-deductible membership dollars are used to fund a variety of these efforts, including:

- ◆ Temporary and permanent exhibits
- ◆ Office equipment and supplies
- ◆ Public programming
- ◆ Vehicle maintenance
- ◆ Printing and publications
- ◆ Telephone/Internet service
- ◆ Collections management
- ◆ Technology upgrades
- ◆ Mailings and postage
- ◆ Advertising
- ◆ Research services
- ◆ Educational outreach

Each year bring new successes and challenges. In 2018 we will engage in a number of activities that we hope will maintain our status as that leader for small museums in the state. From a complete renovation of our lighting in the building, to having free-of-charge public programming, to participating in community events like the Business Expo and Corn Carnival, we strive to show that just because we are in small town does not mean we are afraid to think big. And those membership dollars you provide also means we don't charge admission to the museum and Akerlund Studio, a benefit we are proud of.

Please take a moment right now to fill out the form below and return it with your *tax-deductible donation* for 2018. Questions? Contact us at 320-286-2427 -or- [cokatomuseum@embarqmail.com](mailto:cokatomuseum@embarqmail.com).

Sincerely,  
*Board of Trustees*  
*Cokato Historical Society*

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## 2018 MEMBERSHIP FORM

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Individual: \$10 \_\_\_\_ Family: \$15 \_\_\_\_ Business: \$25 \_\_\_\_ Supporter: \$50 \_\_\_\_ Benefactor: \$100 \_\_\_\_

The Cokato Historical Society is a non-profit, tax-exempt, 501(c)(3) organization. All memberships run for a calendar year (January—December). Please make your gift payable to the: Cokato Historical Society, PO Box 686, Cokato MN 55321-0686. Thank you.