LYON COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

LCHS BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPLICATION

HISTORICAL SOCIETY'S MISSION

The purpose of the society shall be the collection, preservation, and dissemination of knowledge about the history of Lyon County and to relate it to the history of the region and the state of Minnesota. To disseminate historical information to interested persons, groups, and institutions and to promote appreciation of the county and state by preserving and displaying historical materials, genealogy, sponsoring special events, and operating a museum.

LCHS BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Lyon County Historical Society (LCHS) is governed by a 9 member board. The LCHS Board of Directors is seeking candidates to fill **four** positions on the board to begin **January 1, 2027**. Board meetings are held at the Lyon County Museum and Zoom on the 3rd Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. (January, March, May, July, September, and November). The Annual Meeting is held in April.

APPLICATION INFORMATION

Applications are now being accepted for the Lyon County Historical Society Board of Directors. The Board is seeking individuals with experience in non-profit management and have a passion for history. In addition, the Board is seeking candidates from all of our communities in Lyon County.

The Historical Society is working on a new 5 year Strategic Plan to start in 2027. This is an exciting time for the Historical Society, but there is much work ahead to achieve our goals.

The following packet contains the application to be completed and position description for board members.

If you have any questions, please contact LCHS Executive Director Jennifer Andries at 507-537-6580 or email director@lyoncomuseum.org. Thank you for your interest in the Lyon County Historical Society.

Deadline to review initial round of applications is Friday, October 16 by 4:00 PM

Please return the application form to the Lyon County Historical Society, Attn: Jennifer Andries, 301 West Lyon Street, Marshall, MN 56258 or email director@lyoncomuseum.org

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Name	
Address	
Phone	
Email	

Current/most recent employment	Position

Please answer the following questions

1.) Describe your past and present civic leadership and/or volunteer experience.

2.) What motivates you to serve on the LCHS Board of Directors?

3.) What skills or contributions will you bring to the LCHS Board of Directors?

4.) Additional information: What else would you like for us to know?

Signature:_____**Date:** _____

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Lyon County Historical Society Position Description

TITLE:	Members, Board of Directors
REPORTS TO:	Board President
RESPONSIBLE TO:	Each fellow Board Member and the LCHS Membership
ROLE:	To serve as a voting member of the Board of Directors for the Lyon County Historical Society, developing policies, procedures and regulations, monitoring financial performance, and the organization's programs and services.
TERM:	2 years, beginning January 1, 2027 - December 31, 2028 There is a limit of three consecutive terms.

TIME EXPECTATIONS:

- Attend regularly scheduled meetings of the Board of Directors.
- Participate actively in one or more committees of the Board.
- Attend scheduled board retreats, planning meetings, workshops, or other board development activities.
- Attend, support and participate in special organization events.

OBLIGATIONS:

- Fully understand and support the mission of the organization.
- Actively set policy and ensure that the organization has adequate resources to carry out its mission.
- Monitor the organization's financial performance and legal responsibilities.
- Develop and monitor short and long-range planning and goals.
- Represent the organization to the public and private sector; serve as an advocate for the organization.
- Bring personal and/or professional expertise and that of others to support the mission of the organization.
- Be a LCHS Member in good standing.
- Abide by the Duties of Care, Honestly, and Loyalty.
  Duty of Care: Board members are fully informed and prepared to act effectively.
  Duty of Loyalty: Board members must put the interests of the organization first, above personal or professional interests.
  Duty of Honesty: Board members must act in accordance with the organization's stated mission and applicable policies.

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