



Sons of Norway  
**HERITAGE PROGRAMS**



**IdeaBank#45**

**NEW MEMBER INTEREST  
QUESTIONNAIRE**

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# Introduction

Sending a questionnaire to new members helps the lodge find out what programs and committees they may be able to recruit new members to join. It is important to follow up on the answers given by a new members to get them involved in lodge activities as soon as possible. For example, if a new member expresses interest in a certain committee, have that committee chair person contact them in time for the next meeting or event. The same method of follow-up holds true for interest groups (*rosemaking* classes, cultural skill groups, etc.) or special events such as *lutefisk* dinners or *syttende mai* activities.

This sample questionnaire can be adapted to fit any lodge's programs and groups. Make sure in include items of interest that have not been done in the lodge before. You never know what resources new members bring with them!

# Sample Questionnaire

Dear New Member,

Congratulations! Now that you are initiated, look forward to incorporating your resources and activities into our lodge events. We hope that you will, to the best of your ability, attend our meetings and activities. Your participation in our lodge is important to us and the entire Sons of Norway community heritage. We want to get to know you better and enjoy sharing our interest in the Norwegian heritage. You have joined a fellowship of friends whom you may trust as brothers and sisters.

Our lodge meetings are the fourth Saturday of the month at 7:30 P.M. We have various activities and special events going on for members, they are listed below. Please check off the items you are interested in (check as many as you like) and return to:

Lena Svendsen  
2500 Sunnyside Dr.  
Anytown, MN 55024  
612-555-6161

## **PARTICIPATING IN:**

- Sons of Norway Drill Team .....
- Norwegian Language Classes .....
- Hardanger Classes.....
- Scandinavian Folk Dance Group .....
- Sports Medal Program .....  
(This involves walking, bicycling, etc. to earn points for a medal.)
- Norwegian Cultural Skills Program .....  
(This involves doing Hardanger, cooking, woodcarving, etc. to earn points for a medal.)

## **WOULD YOU BE INTERESTED IN:**

- Taking a Bus Trip to Vesterheim Museum in Decorah, Iowa.....
- Serving on a Telephone Committee .....
- Helping with Programs at Socials .....
- Participating in Skits .....
- Holding an Office in the Lodge .....
- Serving on a Fundraising Committee .....
- Information on Sons of Norway Insurance .....
- Joining a Woodcarving Group .....

Please list below the talents you would be willing to share and your interests (like singing, speaking on a topic of Norwegian heritage, helping with building maintenance, demonstrating a craft, cooking for socials, etc): \_\_\_\_\_

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Please list any programs or activities that you would be interested in being a part of that are not listed above: \_\_\_\_\_

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Address \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you for completing this form. Our lodge is for you, so become a participating member to help us strengthen our fellowship and grow! A member of the groups that you have checked will be contacting you.

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