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Nordahl's Tidende

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En hilsen fra Nordahl Grieg Presidenten

Kjære Venner (Dear Friends),

My original plan for the September president's message was to write it while at Henrik Ibsen Park during the All Bay Area Lodge Picnic. I wanted to showcase pictures of members from Nordahl Grieg lodge enjoying a sunny summer afternoon with members from other lodges. It was a truly wonderful idea and I had been looking forward to making what I had envisioned come true. But when I woke up that Saturday morning with one of the worst migraines I have had in years, I realized my vision wasn't going to happen.

We are at a point when more of our lodge members are starting to have health issues that make it difficult or impossible for them to attend our events. That is why it's so important to keep open lines of communication between all the members of our lodge. I am aware that there are some members who have no intention of coming to lodge events and simply just want to receive the *Viking* magazine or read the *Tidende* at the beginning of each month. If that is all they want out of their membership, there really isn't anything we can do to get them more involved. But what about the member who would love to be more active and can't due to health or travel concerns. I hope that all the members that fall into that category know they can always reach out and ask for someone to help them get to an event. Or if possible, have some of the event be brought to them. A simple plate from a potluck can mean so much to someone who isn't able to attend.

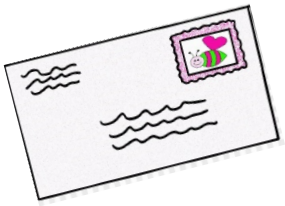
I encourage every member to reach out to another member that you don't talk to on a regular basis. If you haven't seen a particular member for a while at an event, give them a call and ask them how they are doing. Some of the friendships I have gained in Sons of Norway are ones that I will have for the rest of my life. Because of those friendships, I was able to view some of the pictures that other members posted from the picnic and see the smiles on everyone's faces. Hopefully I will be able to attend the next All Bay Area Picnic at the wonderful jewel that is Henrik Ibsen Park.

Fraternally, *Laura Porter, President*

September Agenda Alert…

- **Wednesday, September 18 – Solveig Club Meeting**
- **Saturday, September 21 – Lutefisk Dinner Mailing Party**
- **Friday, September 27 – Business Meeting**

2019 Lutefisk Flyer Mailing Party!



Join us on Saturday, **September 21, at 1 pm in the Solveig Room** and help prepare the flyers we send to guests (non-members) announcing this year's Lutefisk Dinner. Our tasks include folding, sealing, and putting the stamps on the flyers. And the more hands we have to work, the faster it goes! We have a great time chatting while we work, and snacks will be provided. Please let me know if you can help! Call me at 408-406-0502 or send an email to ***bshoup33@gmail.com***.

Tusen takk!, *Barbara Shoup,*
Lutefisk Dinner Tickets/Publicity Chair

Stuff Worth Shouting About!

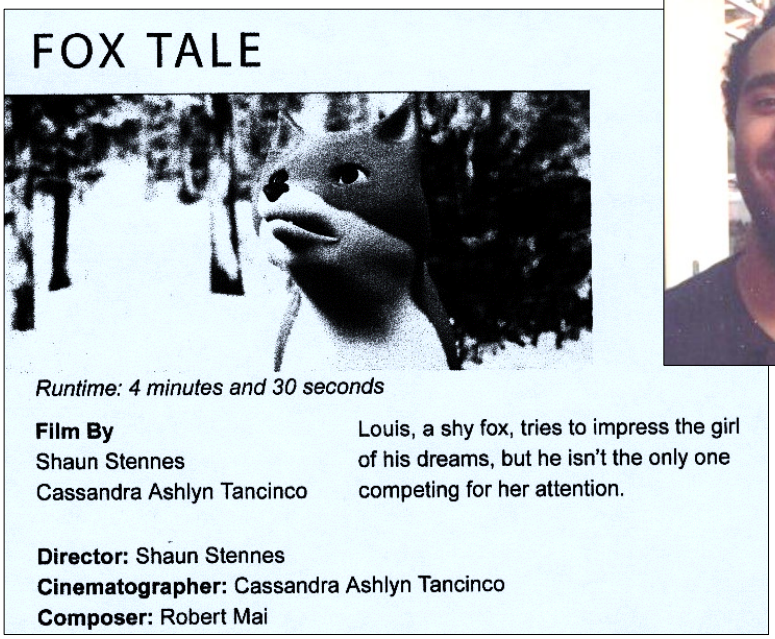
The Multi-Lodge Picnic at Henrik Ibsen Park last month was a smash hit. Nestled in the beautiful and peaceful redwoods, the Park supplied plenty of food, games, music, prizes and fun. We all had a good time, and enjoyed the opportunity to spend a day with fellow Sons of Norway members and their families.

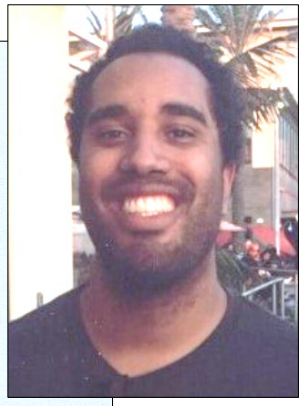
P.S. Members of Nordahl Grieg can find a copy of the Lutefisk Dinner flyer and order form on pages 5 and 6 of this *Tidende*. Both pages will be reprinted again in the October and November *Tidende*. Please save a copy and mail it in on or after October 15 with your ticket order.

News About Members

Congratulations to **Shaun Stennes** on receiving his Bachelor of Arts degree from Chapmans Dodge College of Film and Media Arts. Shaun has been a recipient of the Nordahl Grieg Lodge #52 College Scholarship. Of course, we also want to recognize his proud grandparents, **Homer and June Stennis**! Included below is the promotion for an animated video directed by Shaun. Congratulations to all!

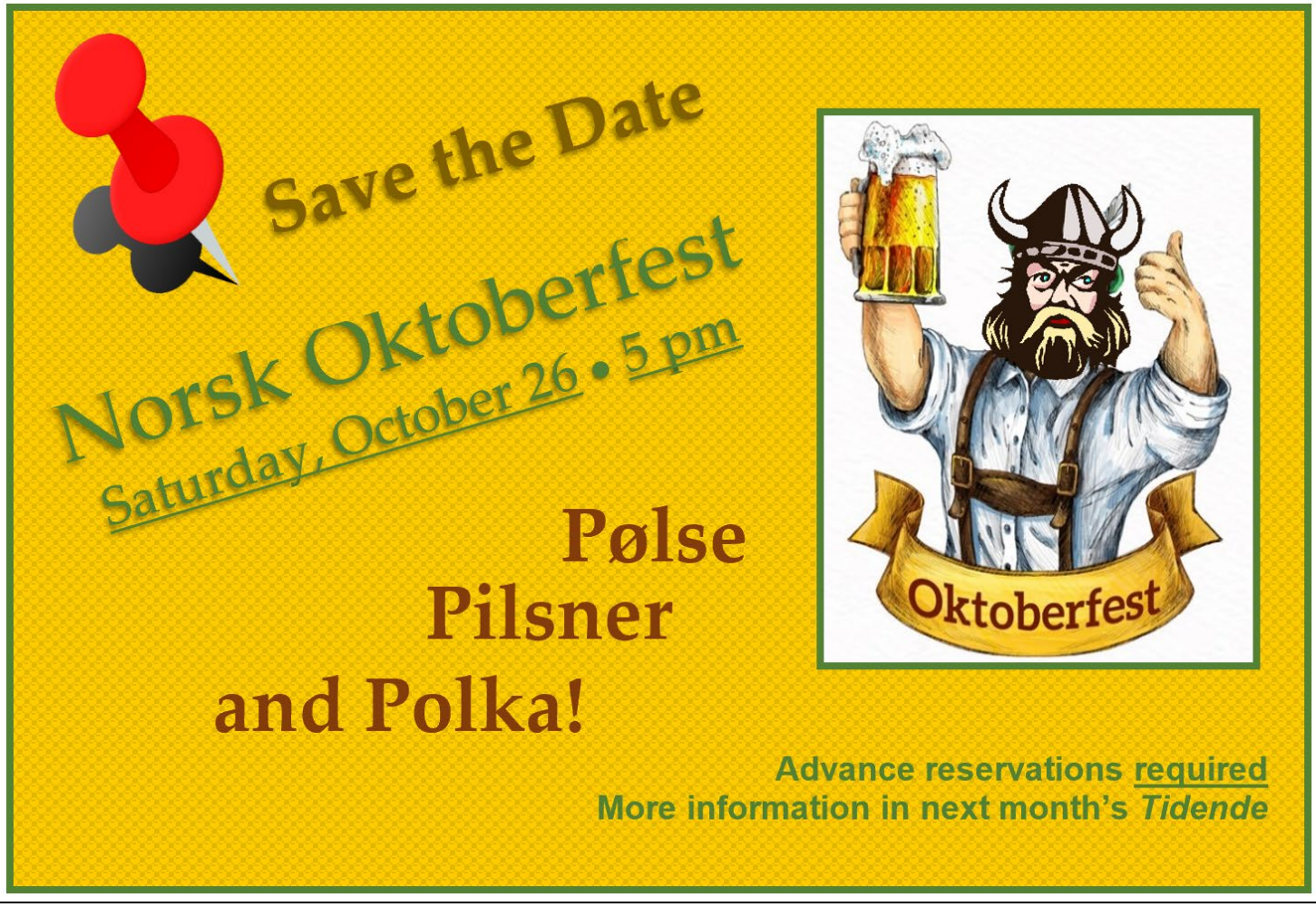
Submitted by Barbara Shoup





September Birthdays

2	Elizebeth Hansen
2	Jack Jolly
2	Claire Smyth
3	Richard Candelaria
3	Richard Estensen
7	Wanda Weisse
7	Jon Villarreal
8	Larry Hulberg
11	Cecelia Meyer
12	Janet Espersen
13	Jamie Bjerkhoel
17	Judy Purrington
19	Marvin Bertelson
23	Mayvid Maclay
23	Svein Livgard
24	Janie Kelly
24	Janice Crawford
27	Bruce Fihe
29	Jan Overland
29	Kathleen Slama



Connections …ways to connect with your Norwegian heritage

Camp OldFjell ***Folkehøgskule for Voksne (Folk School for Adults)*** **September 10-15 at beautiful Camp Norge.** Cultural skills classes will be offered on topics such as music, cooking, literature, tablet weaving, Hardanger embroidery, folk dancing, Vikings, and rosemaling. For more information, visit: ***https://www.campnorge.org/site/camp-oldfjell/***

Do you like to sing? The **Zaida Singers**, dedicated to the preservation of Scandinavian vocal music, are looking for new members. The group sings mostly Swedish folk songs, a cappella in 4-part harmony, but also enjoys mixing things up with new pieces. If interested, please contact choir director **Zaida Binetti** at 408-621-8959 or ***zaidasingers@gmail.com.*** Website: ***zaidasingers.org***.

Norwegian Folk Dancing – Wednesdays at 7:30 PM at the Masonic Hall, 890 Church Street (one block off Castro), Mountain View. Everyone is welcome, whatever your experience. Enjoy music, friendly folks, and fun! For more information, contact **Meg Laycock** at ***meg@jstub.com***.

Tell us about activities and ideas to **CONNECT** with our Norwegian Heritage! View Nordahl Grieg Activity Photos ***www.nordahl-grieg.org*** ***www.facebook.com/Nordahl.Grieg***

Planning a Party or Special Event?

Welcome to Nordahl Hall
Banquet & Meeting Center

Perfect for weddings, parties, meetings and more!
Convenient Campbell–Los Gatos Location

For rental information, contact:
Viking Property Management at 408-909-9055

Nordahl Hall – Love Your Lodge

Support the "Nordahl Hall Capital Fund"

Help us repair and upgrade Nordahl Hall.
All donations will be used for improvement projects.

Your donation*– *at any of the following support levels* – will be listed in *Tidende* each month. Donations may be designated as *"In Memory of…"* or *"In Honor of…"*

Donations can be made at any time.

Love Your Lodge Support Levels

Platinum	**$1,000**	**Silver**	**$250**
Gold	**$500**	**Bronze**	**$100**

Please make checks payable to: *Nordahl Grieg Lodge*. Write *"Hall Capital Fund"* on the memo line.

Then mail to:
Mike Block, Treasurer
110 Flintlock Lane
Ben Lomond, CA 95005

For more info, ask a Hall Board member, or contact **Dave Melius** at (408) 244-4497 or ***dmelius@hotmail.com***

* Donations are not tax deductible. Please consult your tax professional.

Genealogy Tips and Hints
Connecting with your family history

Explore Your Heritage

Are you curious about the unique story of your family? Then get inspiration to begin exploring using our newly updated guide, Genealogy Tips and Hints — Connecting with your family history. This handy 10-page introduction will help you get your research off to a quick start with information about Norwegian names and places. Exclusively for Sons of Norway members, you'll find the guide online at ww.sofn.com in the Member Resources area under genealogy

Member Benefit: Grants and Scholarships

Did you know that Sons of Norway members, their children, and their grandchildren are eligible for college scholarships? Opportunities range from supporting enrollment at any major US college to assistance with travel to Norway and other countries. There is even a scholarship for a cultural class for members age 40+!

Our lodges may also receive awards ranging from $500 to $1,500 for children's programming, new equipment, or cultural events. Learn more at www.sofn.com/foundation/scholarships and www.sofn.com/foundation/grants

…from SON Newsletter Service

Pølse med Lompe

Directions

Step 1: Follow the recipe (below) for making Lomper, or Small Potato Cakes.

Step 2: Use your favorite style of sausage, brat or hot dog for the filling. Grilled, boile,d or fried – they all taste amazing on fresh lompe.

Step 3: Dress it up – add your typical brat or hot dog fixings. Try out something new — you could add sauerkraut, cole slaw or salsa.

Lomper – Small Potato Cakes

Ingredients

2 lbs. potatoes
1 tsp. salt
1 ¼ cups, approximate, barley flour

Recipe

Step 1: Boil unpeeled potatoes. Peel, and twice grind, rice, or mash while still warm, until potatoes are smooth and elastic, thus requiring less flour. Add salt during this process, rather than adding it to the water, it increases the elasticity of the potatoes. The more elastic the potatoes, the better the lompe. Cool.

Step 2: Add flour to a small portion of potatoes at a time, stir just enough to make a firm, easily handled dough. Making a lot of dough at once and leaving it stand may cause the dough to become sticky. Cut off slices with a sharp knife. Press these down lightly with the back of your hand, and finish rolling out with grooved rolling pin into 3-4" rounds. Doing it this way requires less flour. Brush off all excess flour before baking.

Step 3: Place lompe on medium hot lefse or other griddle and turn often with a pliable spatula. Prick any bubbles that form while baking. When done, they should be light in color with large, brown spots.

Step 4: If the griddle is too hot, lomper will remain raw inside; if too low, they will be hard and tough. Allow them to dry out for a few minutes, then wrap in a clean towel and cover until ready to be served. They are tastiest when used immediately. They can be served with butter and sugar, or with sharp cheese. As for me, it will always be pølse med lompe.

Ekte Norsk Mat–Authentic Norwegian Cooking is available for purchase through the Vesterheim bookstore. Call toll free at (800) 979-3346. *…from SON Newsletter Service*

Love Your Lodge Donations

Platinum Level

In memory of Elderid Everly
Solveig Club (donation, April 2018)

In memory of Grace Larsen
Solveig Club (donation, April 2018)

In memory of Elmer Graslie
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Laurette Kennelly (donation, May 2018)
The families of Elderid's sisters Eva & Rachel (donation, May 2018)

In honor of their many friends at Nordahl Grieg Lodge
Glenn & Peggy Riddervold (donation, Nov 2016)

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In memory of Elderid Everly
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Alan Pintacura (donations, Nov 2017, Jan 2017, and Nov 2015)

In memory of Noel Whaley
Sydney Whaley (donation, April 2015)

Tusen Takk for your support!

Donations made prior to April 2015 are not listed.
Please view past issues of *Tidende* to see donors and honorees from earlier contributions. *Takk!*

2019 Lutefisk & Meatball Dinner Preparations

The Lutefisk is Coming! It's once again time to start planning for our annual Lutefisk and Meatball Dinner. This is a great tradition for our lodge and an important fundraiser but we need your help to make it happen.

Please contact the chairpersons listed below to let them know you're willing to help. Calling or e-mailing in advance makes it easier to plan. **If you don't know where you're needed, contact Victoria Slama (Volunteer Coordinator).**

Please note that cookie making this year will be the Saturday and Sunday *before* Thanksgiving (*not* on the Sunday and Monday after Thanksgiving as in past years).

Many thanks!!

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lwhulberg@gmail.com
JoAnn Bjerkhoel (707) 246-3967
buddyeste@gmail.com

Volunteer Coordinator

Victoria Slama (831) 359-5887
Vslama57@gmail.com

Mark your Calendar!

November 3 (Sunday) – Meatball Making
November 9 &10 (Sat/Sun) – Lefse Making
November 23 & 24 (Sat/Sun) – Cookie Making
December 4 (Wed) – Hall Setup
December 5 (Thurs) – Table Setting
December 6 & 7 (Fri/Sat) – Lutefisk Dinner
December 8 (Sunday) – Hall Clean-up

Please see Committee Chairs listed below for contact information. Thanks!

Help make meatballs, cookies, and lefse and work towards a SON Cultural Skills pin in "Traditional Norwegian Cooking." Details will be available at each preparation day.

Student Volunteers! We can provide community service hours – students just need to bring paperwork with them and the committee chair will verify the student's hours and sign their paperwork that day.

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2019 Annual Lutefisk and Meatball Dinner

Nordahl Hall – 580 W. Parr Avenue, Los Gatos, CA

			Nordahl Grieg Members		Non-Members
Friday, December 6					
Early Diner's Special	1st Seating	3:30 PM	$17.00	DONATION	$22.00
	2nd Seating	5:30 PM	$22.00		$27.00
	3rd Seating	7:30 PM	$22.00		$27.00
Saturday, December 7					
Early Diner's Special	1st Seating	3:30 PM	$17.00		$22.00
	2nd Seating	5:30 PM	$22.00		$27.00
	3rd Seating	7:30 PM	$22.00		$27.00

Special reduced children's prices: Children 6-12 years – $8.00 Under 6 years – free

Invitation to Dance – Diners from all seatings (both Friday and Saturday) are invited to participate in the entertainment and dancing on Saturday night beginning at approximately 9:00 PM.

Visit the Solveig Club Bazaar – The Solveig Club will host its bazaar and raffle on both Friday and Saturday. Stop by and see their unique selection of Scandinavian items, baked goods, and "white elephant" treasures. Doors open each day at 3:00 PM and close promptly at 9:00 PM. **Please bring cash or checks for the bazaar and raffle... sorry, no credit cards are accepted.**

Participate in Nordahl Grieg's Community Outreach – Please bring non-perishable food donations to benefit a local food bank. We are also happy to collect extra 2020 calendars and paperback books for veterans at the Palo Alto VA Hospital.

Join Now and Enjoy Member Prices – Join Nordahl Grieg Lodge #52 to get member prices for Lutefisk Dinner tickets and have fun all year! **Call Karen Aaker, Nordahl Grieg Vice President, at (831) 454-8509 for membership information.**

RESERVATIONS – All reservations MUST be made by mail. You may make copies of the reservation coupon below for your friends. Please be sure to indicate your first and second choice of seating times.

NO reservations will be accepted if postmarked before Monday, October 15. Any mail received before this date will be returned.

PLEASE INCLUDE A SELF-ADDRESSED STAMPED ENVELOPE to mail your tickets.
Please mail your reservation form together with your check or money order PAYABLE TO: Nordahl Grieg Lodge #52
Barbara Shoup, 814 Maryann Drive #2, Santa Clara, CA 95050-5057

QUESTIONS? Please call Barbara at (408) 406-0502

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Invite a friend!

2019 Lutefisk and Meatball Dinner Reservation Coupon

Please indicate your FIRST and SECOND CHOICE of seating times

Friday, December 6	_____	1st Seating	3:30 PM	*Early Diner's Special*
	_____	2nd Seating	5:30 PM	
	_____	3rd Seating	7:30 PM	
Saturday, December 7	_____	1st Seating	3:30 PM	*Early Diner's Special*
	_____	2nd Seating	5:30 PM	
	_____	3rd Seating	7:30 PM	

Name: _____ **Phone:** ( ) _____

Email Address: _____

# of adult Lodge members: _____ # of Non-member adults: _____ # of Children 6-12: _____ # of Children under 6: _____

NOTE: Parties of 8 or more will be seated first; but all must be present to be seated.

☐ **All tickets for my dining group are included with this reservation coupon.**

☐ **I plan to dine with others who have ordered tickets separately. The total number of people in our dining group is: _____**
The last names of others in my dining group include: _____

TOTAL AMOUNT of check enclosed: $ _____ **PLEASE NOTE: there will be NO REFUNDS**

Mail to: Barbara Shoup, 814 Maryann Drive #2, Santa Clara, CA 95050-5057
DO NOT MAIL BEFORE OCTOBER 15 ▪ Please include a self-addressed stamped envelope

a little in English...

Oslo Loves Hot Dogs

For Norwegians, no soccer game or national holiday is complete without a couple of hot dogs in lompe with ketchup, mustard, and crispy onions.

It is most common to serve hot dogs in lompe: a flat, soft pastry made from potatoes. On its own it is a little dry, but together with the hot dog they make a perfect flavor combination. The hot dog stand also has a rich tradition in Oslo. It was the place you stopped to pick up a classic snack after work or on the way to or from a party.

In the old days, it seemed like there was a hot dog stand on every corner, but today there are very few left of the small booths that used to define the cityscape. Eventually, it became difficult and harder to compete with larger chain stores, with their wider offerings and longer opening hours, and most had to close.

Loved by The Guardian

But some have held their ground, and Erlend Dahlbo and his *Syverkiosk* on Alexander Kielland's Square is one of them. *Syverkiosken* has become a symbol of old Oslo.

Syverkiosken is a popular destination for hungry people throughout the day. Last year, the kiosk was mentioned in the British newspaper *The Guardian*, which described the hot dogs as "at once comforting yet also deliciously spiced."

It was his father who taught Erlend everything he knew to make the perfect hot dog. The trick? A secret broth that is boiled before the hot dogs are added. He jokingly refuses to reveal what the successful recipe consists of. Some secrets must be kept.

Whatever toppings you prefer, mustard, ketchup, crispy onions, dressing, bacon, relish, be assured that there is a hot dog for you!

litt på norsk...

Oslo elsker pølser

For nordmenn flest er ingen fotballkamp eller nasjonaldag komplett uten et par wienerpølser i lompe med ketsjup, sennep og sprøstekt løk.

Det er vanligst å servere pølsa i lompe; et flatt, mykt bakverk lagd av poteter. For seg selv er lompa litt tørr, men sammen med pølsa utgjør de en perfekt smakskombinasjon.

Også pølsekiosken har en rik tradisjon i Oslo. Det var stedet du kunne stikke innom etter jobb eller på vei til/fra fest for å få deg et klassisk mellommåltid.

Før i tiden kunne det virke som det lå en pølsekiosk på hvert gatehjørne, men i dag er det svært få igjen av de små bodene som pleide å definere bybildet. Etter hvert ble det vanskeligere og vanskeligere å hamle opp med større kjedekiosker med sine bredere tilbud og lengre åpningstider, og de aller fleste måtte stenge.

Elsket av The Guardian

Men noen har holdt stand, og Erlend Dahlbo og hans *Syverkiosken* på Alexander Kiellands plass er en av dem. *Syverkiosken* har blitt et symbol på det gamle Oslo.

Syverkiosken er et populært destinasjonssted for sultne folk gjennom hele dagen. I fjor ble kiosken nevnt i den britiske avisen *The Guardian*, som beskrev pølsene som "at once comforting yet also deliciously spiced".

Det var faren hans som lærte Erlend alt han kunne om å lage den perfekte wieneren. Trikset? En hemmelig kraft som kokes opp før pølsene legges oppi. Han nekter spøkefullt å røpe hva suksessoppskriften består av. Noen hemmeligheter må man få ha.

Uansett hva du liker å ha på, sennep, ketsjup, sprøstekt løk, dressing, bacon, agurk-mix, vær trygg på at det finnes en pølse for deg!

...from SON Newsletter Service

September is Life Insurance Awareness Month!

We've all had that moment when we get the news about a friend or loved one whose life has just been changed forever by circumstances outside their control. Whether an accident or unforeseen illness, we don't know when we will need life insurance. That's why it might be one of the most important purchases you'll ever make!

According to the 2018 Insurance Barometer Study by Life Happens and LIMRA (Life Insurance Marketing and Research Association):

- 1 in 5 people with life insurance say they don't have enough.
- 2 in 5 millennials wish their spouse or partner would buy more life insurance.
- Almost everyone (90%) believes primary wage earners need life insurance.

So why are so many households uninsured or underinsured?

Some people are uncomfortable facing the fact that everyone dies someday. Others assume it's too expensive. Or they put it off until tomorrow. But none of us knows what tomorrow might bring.

Don't procrastinate; reach out to your agent or call Sons of Norway to connect with a Financial Benefits Counselor who can help you navigate your personal insurance needs.

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Bank Interest Rates Got You Down?

Contact me for fresh ideas for how Sons of Norway financial products may be able to give you a lift.

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