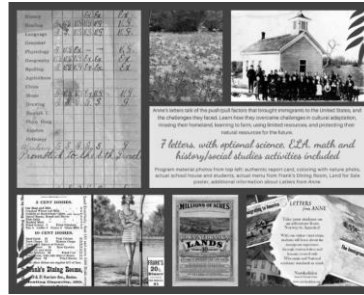




Mandt Lodge 5-314



Anne's Letters
at Sons of Norway
317 South Page Street, Stoughton
on
Thursday, March 12, 2026
7:00 PM

We are so excited to share the *Letters from Anne* program with you! Anne Engum was the daughter of Paul and Anne Engum, born in Norway on July 27, 1853. The Engum family emigrated to Coon Valley because the landscape was similar to that of Norway, with soil that was excellent for farming. They left Norway on April 12, 1867, on the Steamship "Rhea". The Engum House, which is now the centerpiece of the Historic Bekkum Homestead at Norskedalen, began to be built in 1868. Anne's letters were developed based on examples found in "In Their Own Words: Letters from Norwegian Immigrants" by Solveig Zempel and "America-America Letters: A Norwegian-American Family Correspondence" by Bjorn Gunnar Ostgard. Laurie Barrett will lead this interactive night of learning!

Refreshments will be served! Everyone is welcome and no reservations are needed!

Please contact Darlene Arneson at arnesonfamily5@gmail.com or 608-873-7209 for more information. Mandt Lodge is handicapped accessible with a lift located on the south side of the building. There is parking on the street, public parking lot behind the Stoughton Senior Center, or in the Livsreise parking lot **if their building is closed**. We always encourage you to bring donations for the Stoughton Food Pantry! **The public is always welcome at Mandt Lodge!**