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## ELKHART, INDIANA, AREA BUSINESSES COLOR PHOTOGRAPHS, CA. 1970

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## **COLLECTION INFORMATION**

VOLUME OF  
COLLECTION: 2 color photograph folders

COLLECTION  
DATES: Ca. 1970

PROVENANCE: Angrick Williams, Clive, Iowa; 2002

RESTRICTIONS: None

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FORMATS:

RELATED  
HOLDINGS:

ACCESSION  
NUMBER: 2002.0483

NOTES: Color photographs are in cold storage and will need four hours  
to thaw. Please contact reference staff ahead of time if patrons  
wish to view these photographs.

## **HISTORICAL SKETCH**

Elkhart, IN is located in Elkhart County 15 miles east of South Bend, IN. It is most known for being the "RV Capitol of the World" and for being the hub of concert band/orchestra and marching band instrument production. The city is home to several public history institutions, including the Midwest Museum of American Art, the National New York Central Railroad Museum, the RV/MH Hall of Fame and Museum, the "Time Was" Museum, and the Ruthmere Museum.

San Tress Draperies was formed in June 1967. It is a domestic for-profit corporation.

Pigs and cows have been harvested for their meat, milk and hides in America since the formation of the 13 colonies. Indiana is the 5th ranked state in hog and pig inventory. Indiana does not rank in cattle, beef, or milk industry sales.

Sources:

"The History of the RV and Manufactured Housing Industry in and around Elkhart Indiana." Found in [amishcountry.org](http://amishcountry.org).

Elkhart website. <<https://www.elkhartindiana.org/>>.

Registry of Indiana companies. <<https://www.indiana-register.com/96799-san-tress-draperies-inc>>.

Pork.org. <<http://www.pork.org/pork-quick-facts/home/stats/structure-and-productivity/state-rankings-by-hogs-and-pigs-inventory/>>.

## **SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE**

This collection contains 38 color photographs of Elkhart area businesses. These include the San Tress Draperies factory, Bernard Graanstra's calf nursery operation, and an unidentified pig operation.

The photographs were originally housed in scrapbook pages with labels. The photographs were removed from the pages for conservation reasons. Scans of the original pages with their labels are included with the photographs in the collection.

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[unidentified pig farm operation]

"San Tress Draperies (Factory) 1970  
Elkhart, Indiana" [sewing operations]

"Bernard Graanstra's Unit"  
[Barkow calf nursery operation]

### CONTAINER

Color Photographs:  
Folder 1

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Color Photographs:  
Folder 2