

## MISSION STATEMENT

The Elma Historical Society collects, preserves and exhibits materials pertinent to the social and cultural development of the Town of Elma and surrounding areas. The collections are used to advance the understanding of the customs, traditions, attitudes and lifestyles of rural America with emphasis on the 19<sup>th</sup> century.

This is accomplished by:

- Promoting and encouraging historical research;
- Helping to preserve and protect buildings and sites of historic interest;
- Collecting, preserving and displaying records, relics and other things of historic interest;
- Marking places of historic interest with suitable monuments and markers;
- Co-operating with officials in ensuring the preservation and accessibility of the records and archives of the Town and institutions; and
- Promoting greater interaction with the schools.

The Historical Society operates the museum for the purpose of displaying for public view items and exhibits of historical and/or cultural interests.

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