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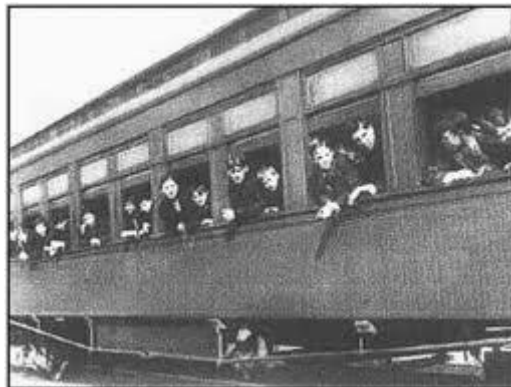
*Oakfield Historical Society*

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Our March meeting will be Tuesday, March 6, 2018 at the Oakfield Government & Community Center. Our board meeting will be at 6:00 with our program at 7:00. This month Jeff Donahue will present "The Orphan Train". By the 1850s, large eastern U.S. cities had massive numbers of orphaned children. New York City alone had an estimated 30,000 children without parents, making placement with local families virtually impossible in a city of 500,000.

The orphan trains operated between 1854 and 1929, relocating about 200,000 orphaned, abandoned, or homeless children.



## *A NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT.....*

This year is the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Historical Society! We are working on something special to commemorate. If you have any ideas that of something you would like to see please feel free to let us know.

We are working on removing the old displays and are pulling things out for the new display, OACS through the years. We found the original FFA banner; Oakfield High School recently got FFA back after many years and we are thrilled to find this. Mr. Hoffhines is the director and was recently contacted about the gavel that was found in Illinois. He was able to get it back to Oakfield.



If you have any memorabilia you would be willing to let us borrow please contact Laurie or Dar. We have found some great pictures and we are hoping you will enjoy this years display.

We look forward to another busy season, the crew will be helping the town again this year on May 19<sup>th</sup> for the cemetery clean up.

Our newest book by Robyn & Lori "For Home & Country" is doing great, if you have not picked up your copy they are still available at Warners & the drug store or we will be happy to ship it to you.

Spring is just around the corner and then things will really be busy!

Laurie