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2026
TO AUGUST
2027

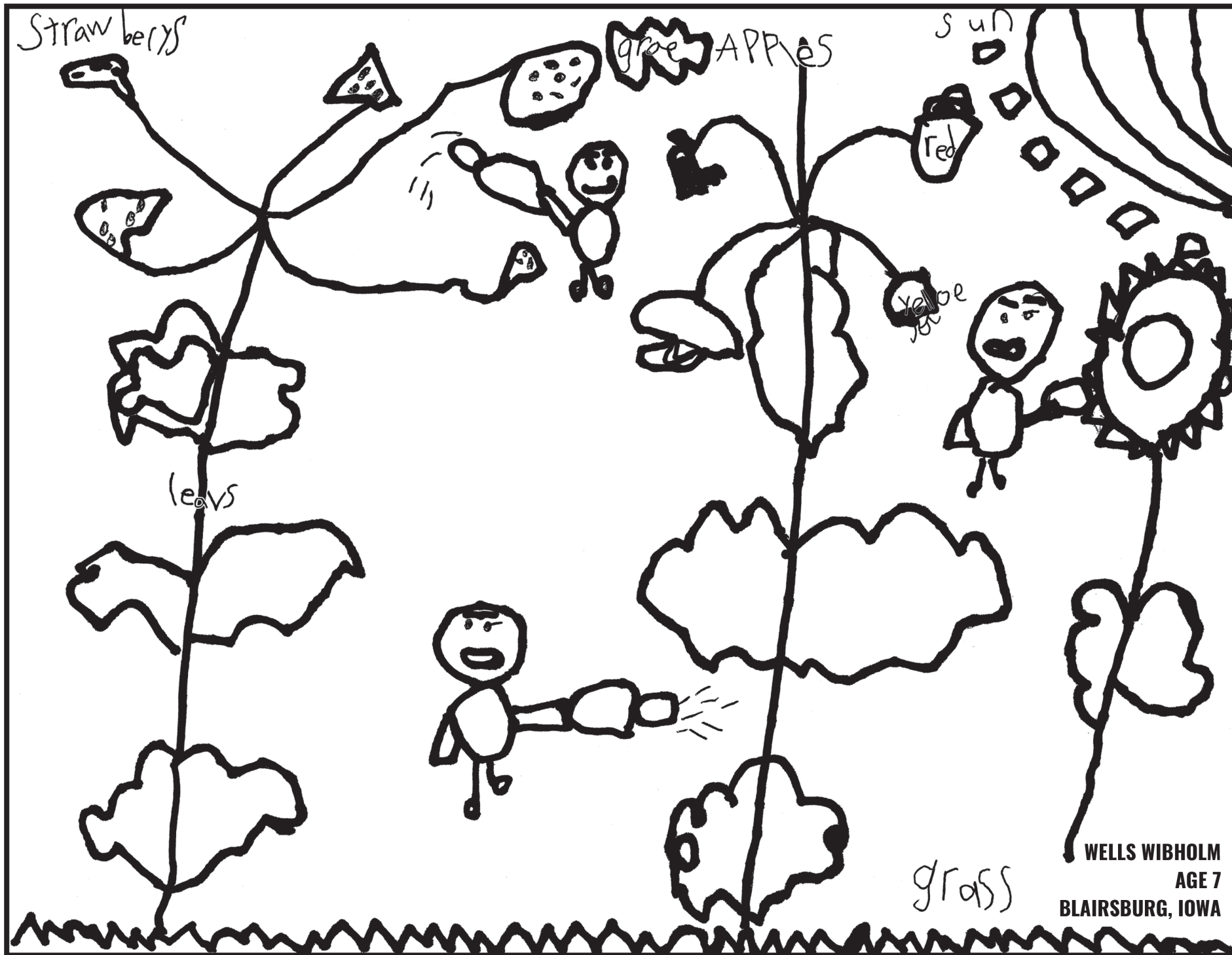
GOLO RING CALENDAR



IOWA DEPARTMENT OF
AGRICULTURE &
LAND STEWARDSHIP



COVER ARTWORK BY ROSE GREENLEES
AGE 16
ADEL, IOWA

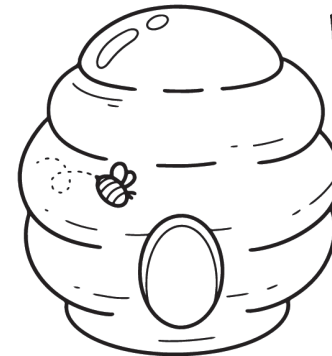


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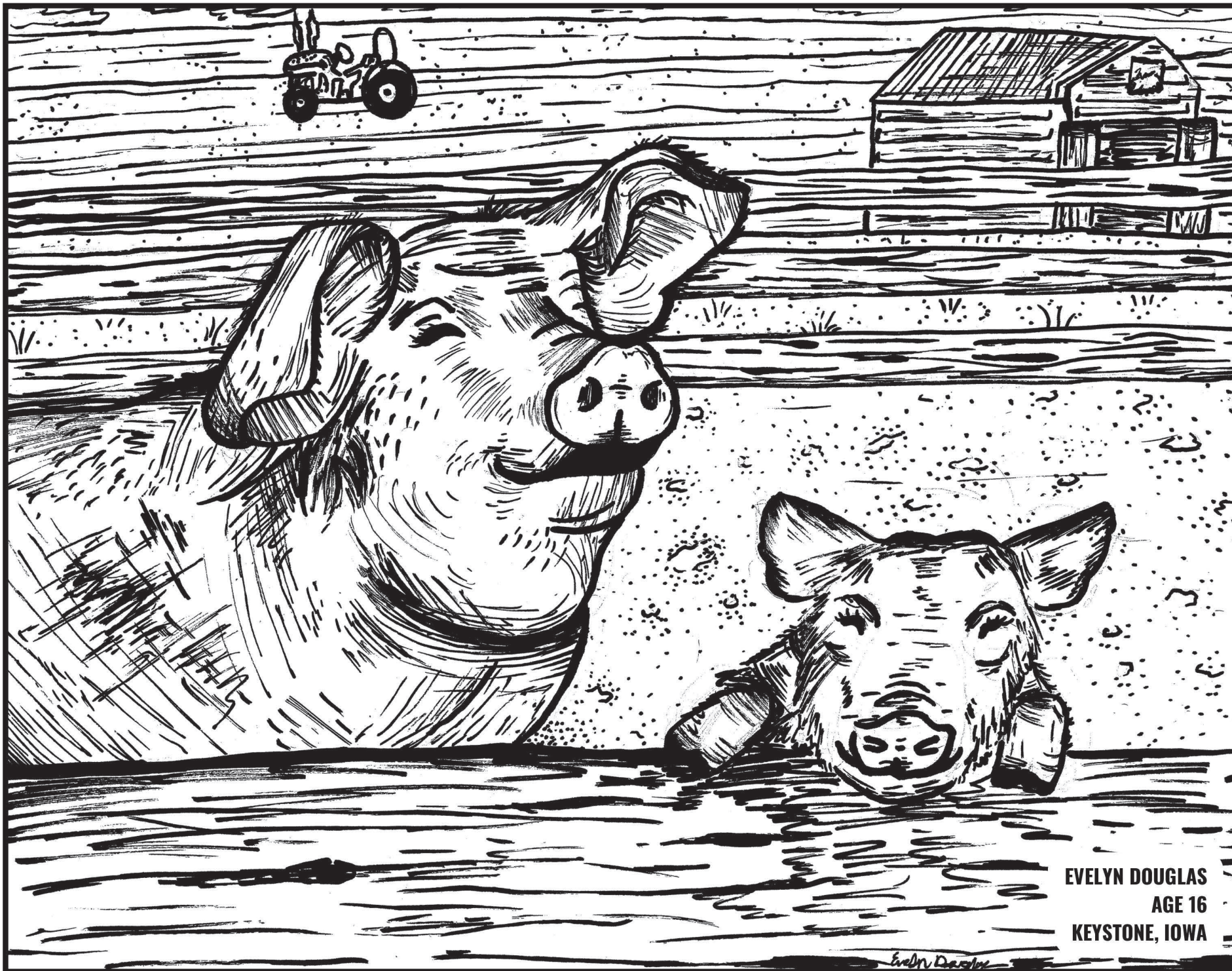
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6	7 LABOR DAY	8	9	10	11	12
13 NATIONAL GRANDPARENTS DAY	14	15	16	17	18	19
20 FARM SAFETY WEEK	21	22 FALL EQUINOX	23 IOWA LOCAL FOOD DAY	24	25	26
27 NATIONAL CHOCOLATE MILK DAY	28	29	30	1	2	3

THERE ARE OVER
19,000
HIVES
AND
3,000
APIARIES
IN IOWA



Source: Iowa Sensitive Crops Directory

NATIONAL CHICKEN MONTH
NATIONAL HONEY MONTH
NATIONAL POTATO MONTH



EVELYN DOUGLAS
AGE 16
KEYSTONE, IOWA

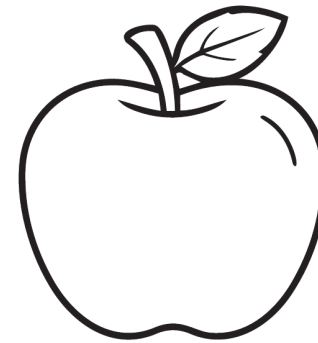
Evelyn Douglas

OCTOBER

2026

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18	19	20	21 NATIONAL APPLE DAY	22	23	24
25	26 NATIONAL PUMPKIN DAY	27	28	29	30	31
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THE
RED
DELICIOUS
APPLE

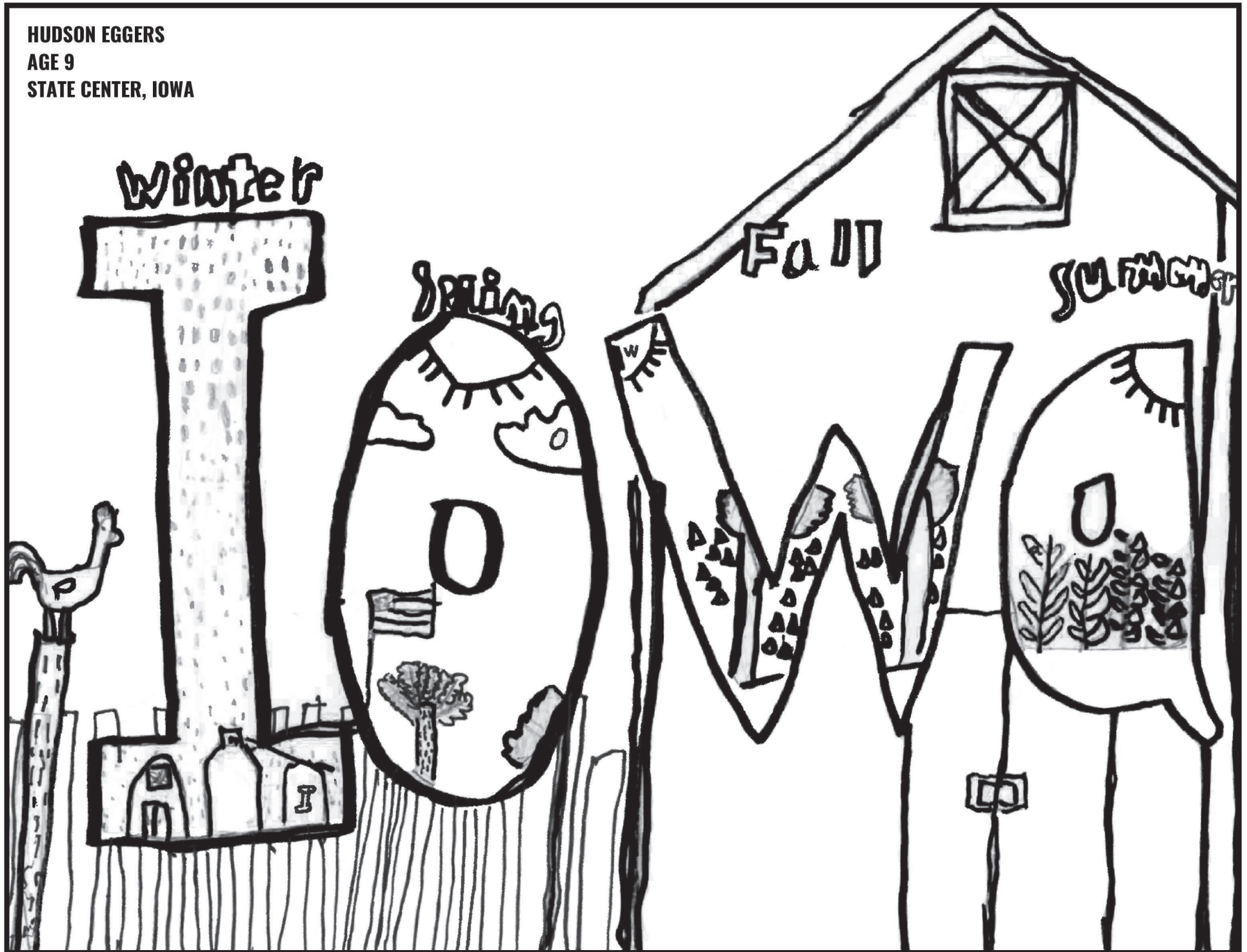


ORIGINATED IN
MADISON COUNTY, IOWA

Source: State Historical Society of Iowa

NATIONAL APPLE MONTH
NATIONAL PORK MONTH
NATIONAL SAUSAGE MONTH
NATIONAL TOMATO MONTH

HUDSON EGGERS
AGE 9
STATE CENTER, IOWA



NOVEMBER

2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
1 DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS	2	3 ELECTION DAY	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11 VETERANS DAY	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26 THANKSGIVING	27	28
29	30	1	2	3	4	5



MORE THAN

96%

**OF IOWA'S FARMS
ARE
FAMILY FARMS**

Source: Iowa Farm Bureau

**NATIONAL PEPPER MONTH
SPINACH AND SQUASH MONTH**

KENNAH DETERMAN
AGE 10
STATE CENTER, IOWA

CHOOSE
IOWA!



DECEMBER

2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	1	2	3	4 HANUKKAH BEGINS	5
6 PEARL HARBOR REMEMBRANCE DAY	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17 NATIONAL MAPLE SYRUP DAY	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25 CHRISTMAS DAY	26 KWANZAA BEGINS
27	28	29	30	31 NEW YEAR'S EVE	1	2

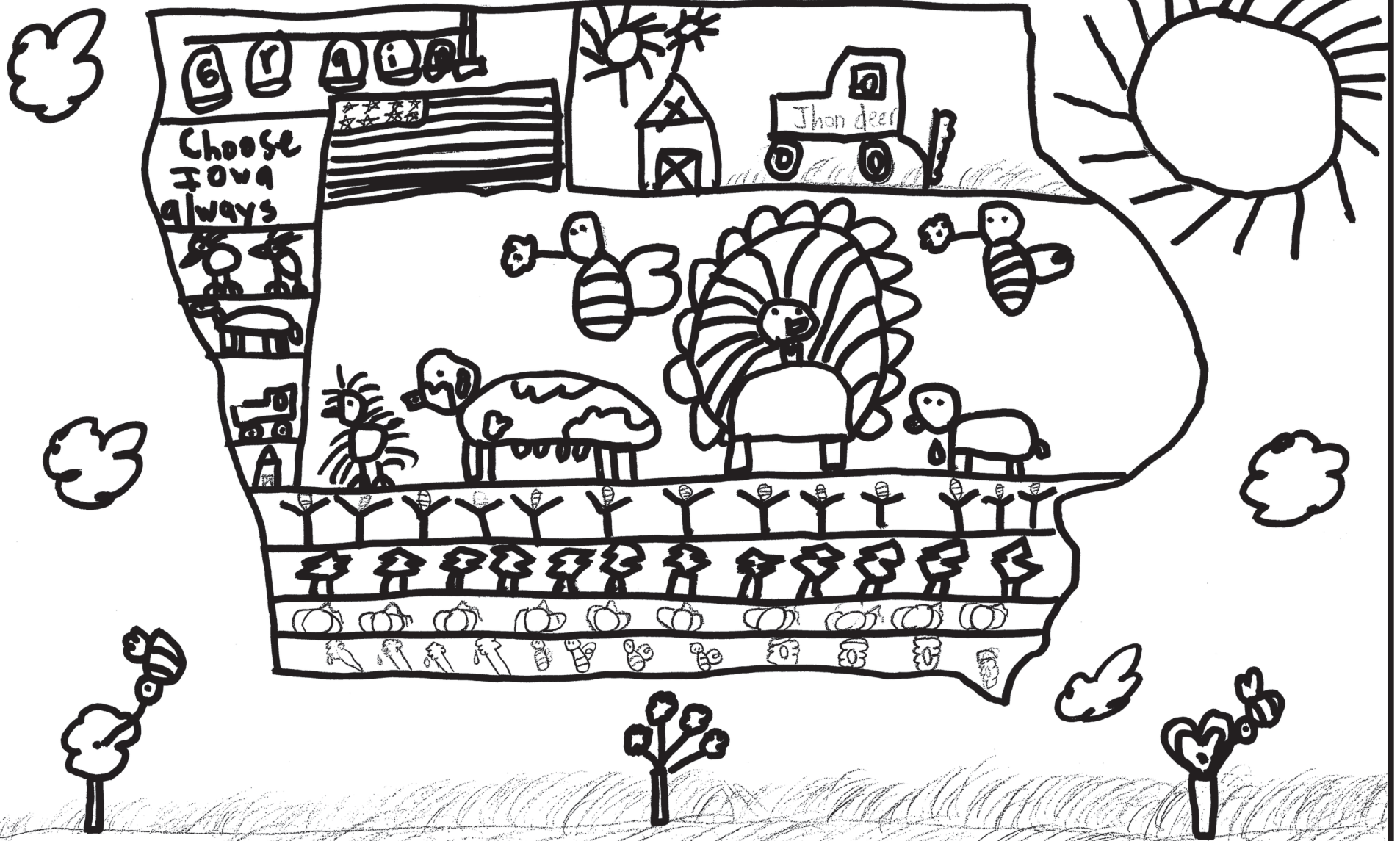
THE TOP SELLING
CHRISTMAS
TREES IN IOWA
ARE
SCOTCH
PINE
AND
WHITE PINE



Source: Iowa Christmas Tree Association

NATIONAL PEAR MONTH
NATIONAL ROOT VEGETABLES MONTH
NATIONAL TOMATO AND WINTER SQUASH MONTH

Choose IOWA!!!



PRESLEE DEROSSETT
AGE 10
MELBOURNE, IOWA

JANUARY

2027

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
27	28	29	30	31	1 NEW YEAR'S DAY	2
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10	11 NATIONAL MILK DAY	12	13	14	15	16
17	18 MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY	19 NATIONAL POPCORN DAY	20	21	22	23
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IOWA

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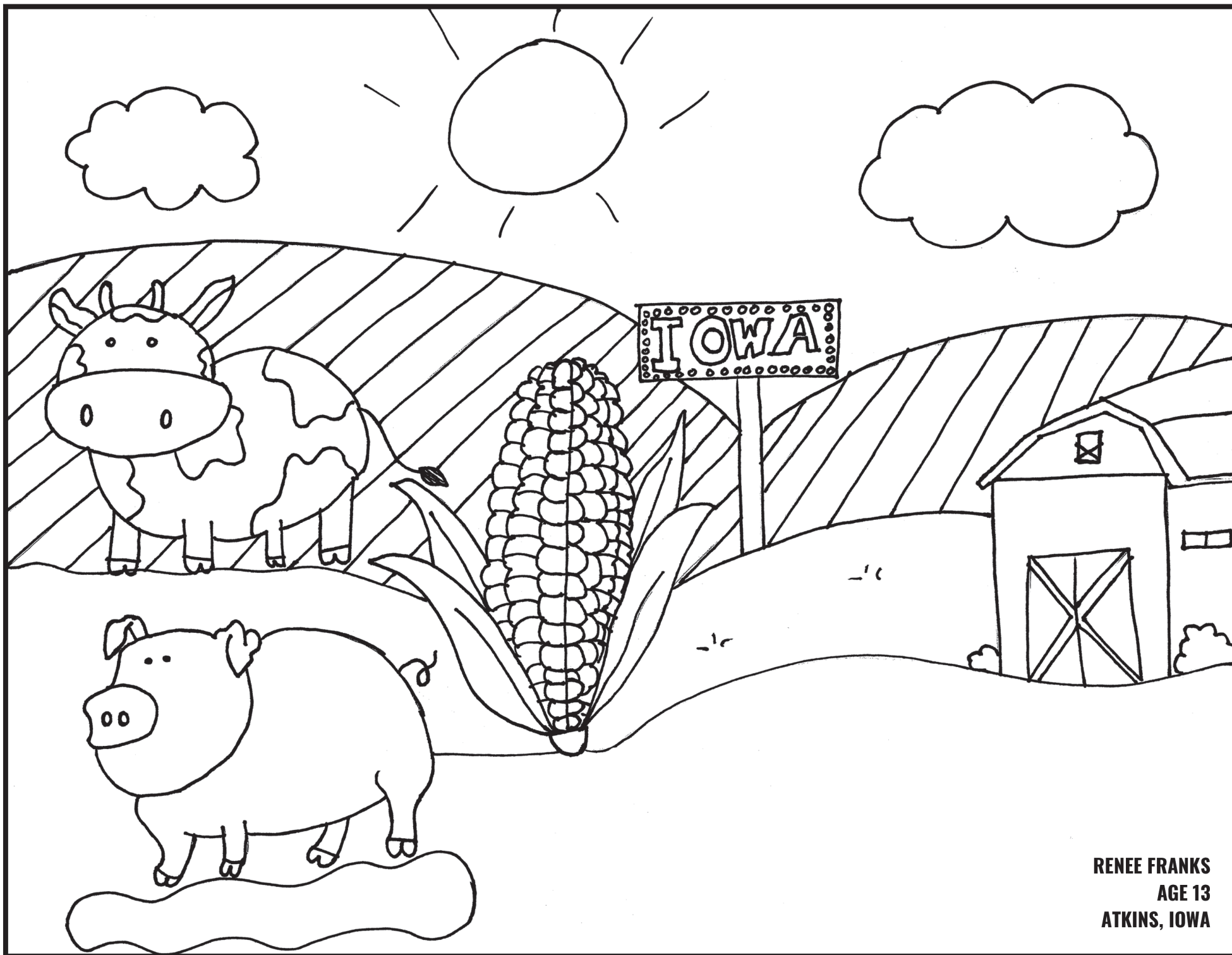
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MAPLE SYRUP FARMS

Source: USDA 2022
Agricultural Census

NATIONAL SLOW COOKING MONTH



RENEE FRANKS
AGE 13
ATKINS, IOWA

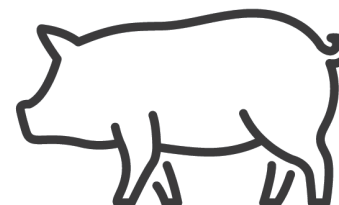
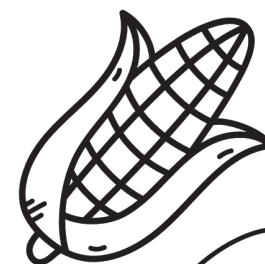
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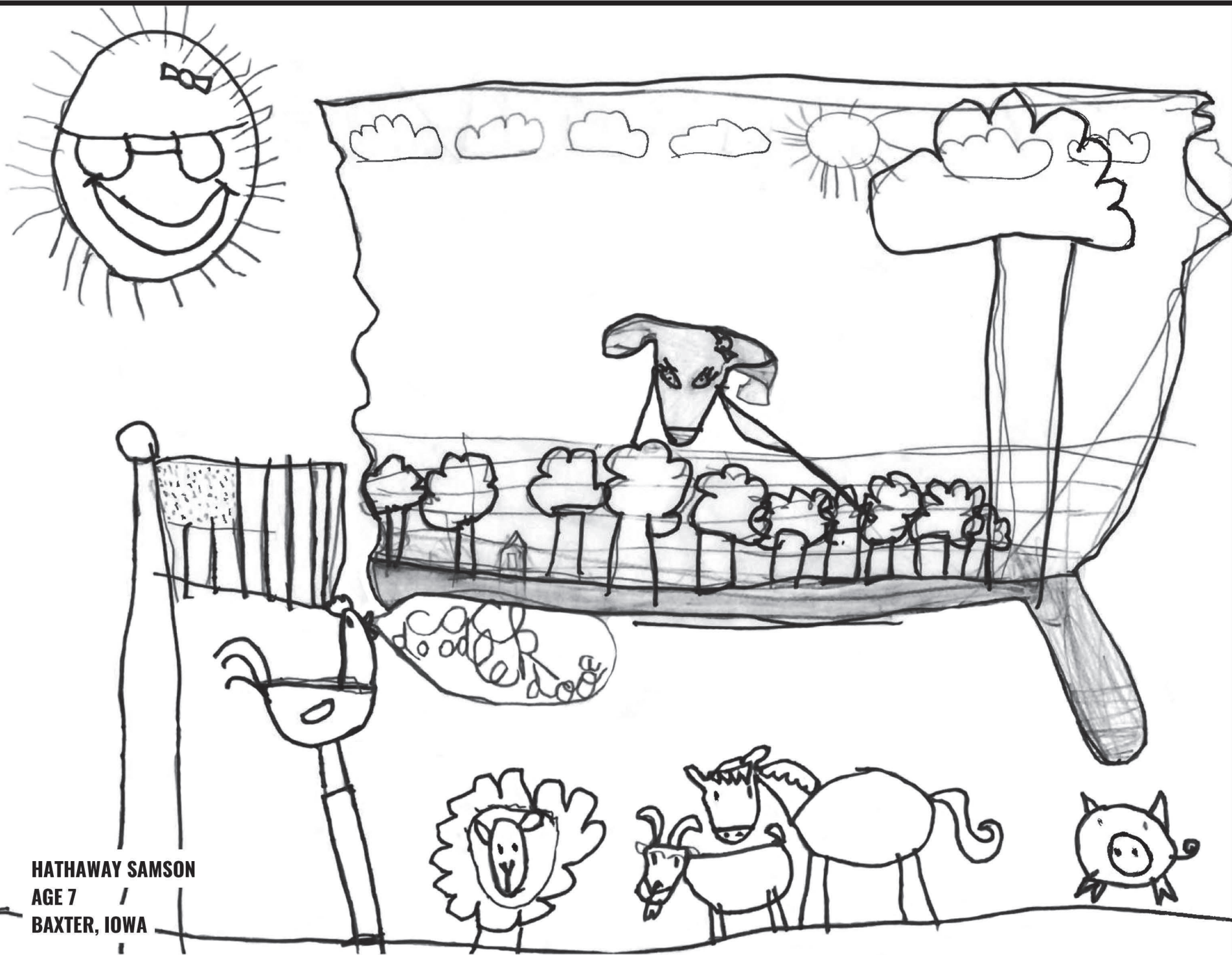
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7	8 NATIONAL IOWA DAY	9	10	11	12	13
14 VALENTINE'S DAY	15 PRESIDENTS' DAY	16	17	18	19	20
21	22 COOK A SWEET POTATO DAY	23	24	25	26	27 NATIONAL STRAWBERRY DAY
28	1	2	3	4	5	6

**IOWA
RANKS #1
IN CORN, PIGS,
ETHANOL, BIODIESEL,
& EGG PRODUCTION**

Source: Iowa Farm Bureau



NATIONAL CANNED FOOD MONTH



HATHAWAY SAMSON
AGE 7 /
BAXTER, IOWA

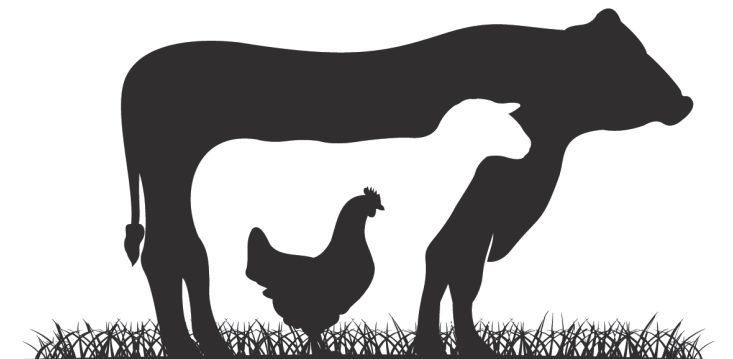
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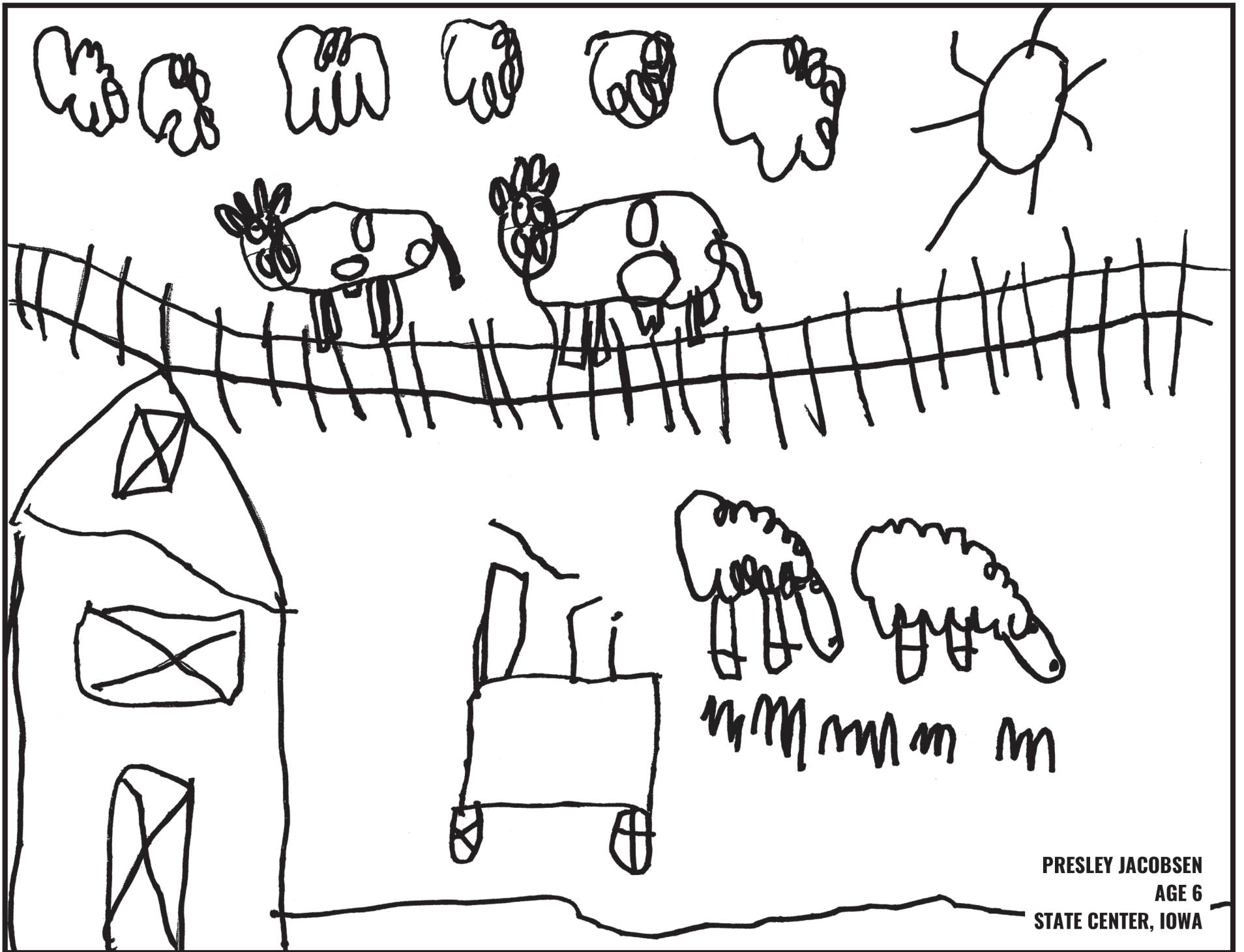
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28	1 NATIONAL PIG DAY	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14 DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME BEGINS	15	16 NATIONAL AG DAY	17 ST. PATRICK'S DAY	18	19 NATIONAL POULTRY DAY	20 SPRING EQUINOX
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28 EASTER	29	30	31	1	2	3

ABOUT
90%
 OF IOWA'S LAND
 IS USED FOR
 AGRICULTURE

Source: Britannica



NATIONAL AGRICULTURE MONTH



PRESLEY JACOBSEN
AGE 6
STATE CENTER, IOWA

APRIL

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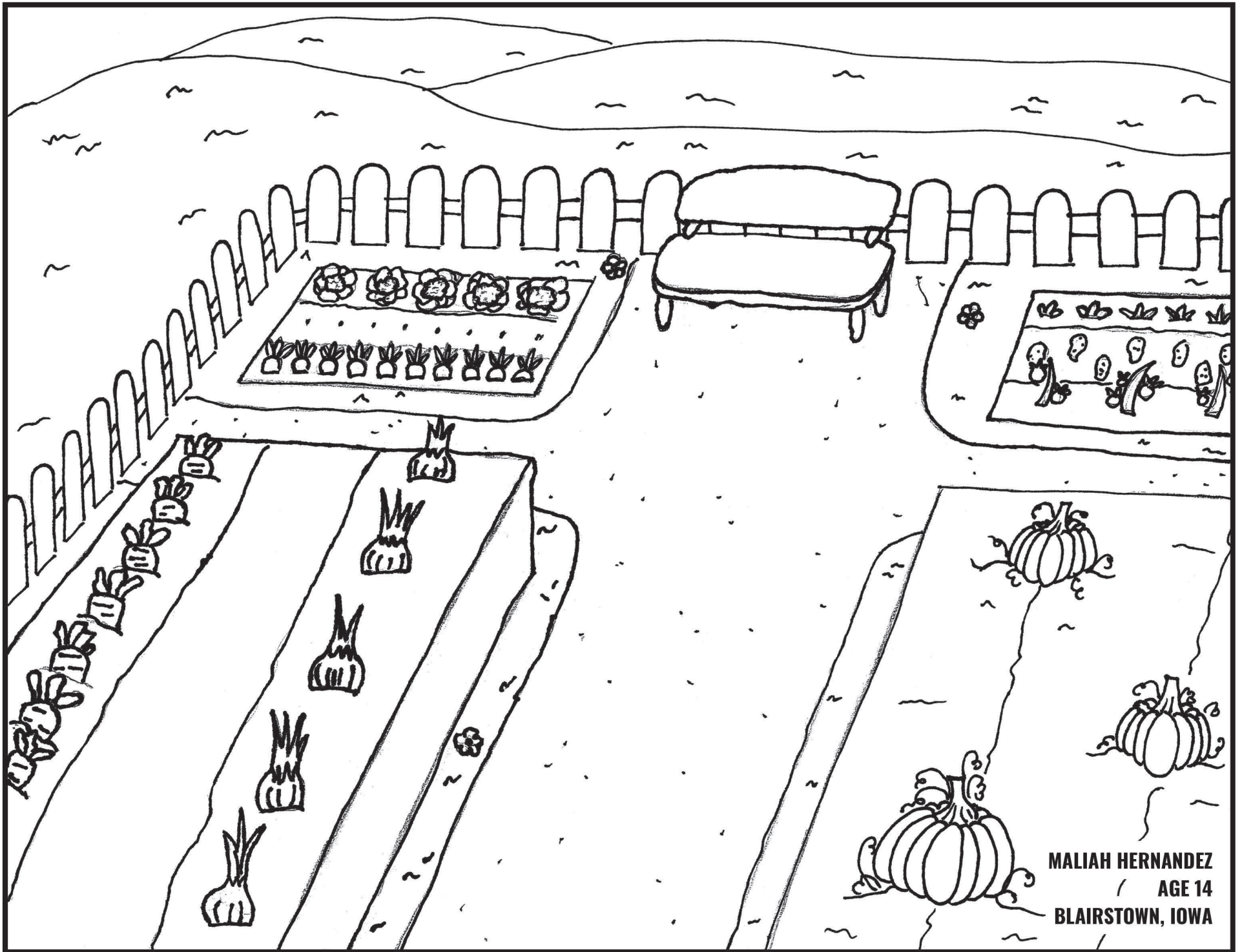
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11 NATIONAL PLANT A FLOWER DAY	12	13	14 NATIONAL GARDENING DAY	15	16	17
18	19	20	21 PASSOVER BEGINS	22 EARTH DAY	23	24
25 SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION WEEK BEGINS	26	27	28	29	30 ARBOR DAY	1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8

THERE ARE

300+
 VINEYARDS
 THAT GROW
GRAPES
 IN IOWA

Source: Iowa Agriculture Literacy Foundation

NATIONAL GARDEN MONTH
 NATIONAL SOY FOODS MONTH



MALIAH HERNANDEZ
AGE 14
BLAIRSTOWN, IOWA

MAY

2027

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
25	26	27	28	29	30	1
2	3 IOWA HORTICULTURE WEEK	4	5 CINCO DE MAYO	6	7	8
9 MOTHER'S DAY	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19 IOWA KIDS GARDEN DAY	20 WORLD BEE DAY	21 NATIONAL FRUITS AND VEGETABLES DAY	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30 MEMORIAL DAY	31	1	2	3	4	5

**THE MOST GROWN
FLOWERS
IN IOWA INCLUDE**

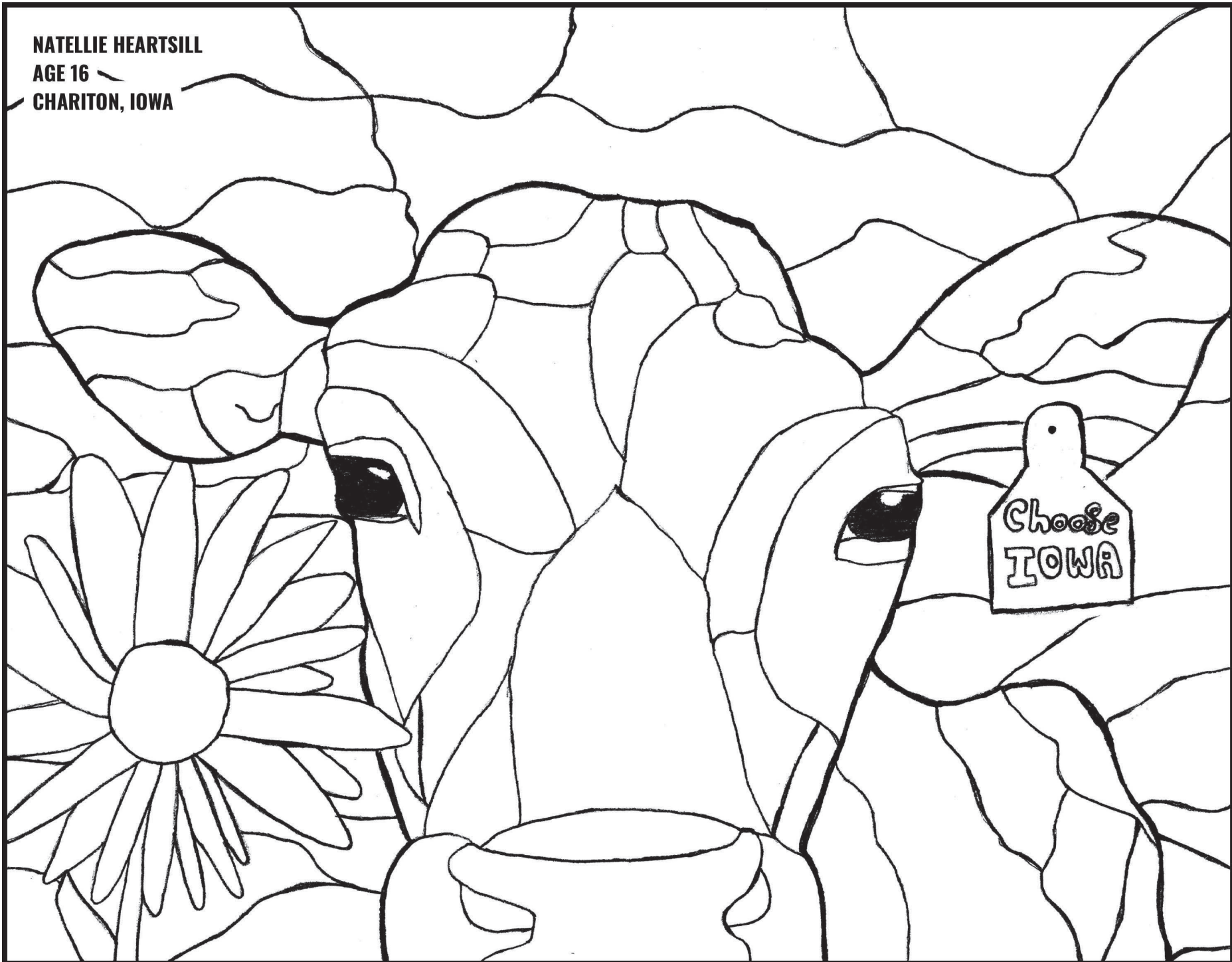
ZINNIAS
SUNFLOWERS
AND
MARIGOLDS



Source: Iowa Farm Bureau

**NATIONAL ASPARAGUS MONTH
NATIONAL BEEF MONTH
NATIONAL EGG MONTH
NATIONAL STRAWBERRY MONTH**

NATELLIE HEARTSILL
AGE 16
CHARITON, IOWA



JUNE

2027

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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30	31	1 DEADLINE TO SUBMIT ARTWORK FOR CALENDAR CONTEST	2 NATIONAL EGG DAY	3 NATIONAL CHEESE DAY	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11 NATIONAL CORN ON THE COB DAY	12
13	14 FLAG DAY	15	16	17 NATIONAL EAT YOUR VEGETABLES DAY	18	19 JUNETEENTH
20 FATHER'S DAY	21	22	23	24	25	26
27 NATIONAL ONION DAY	28	29	30	1	2	3



IOWA
IS HOME TO THE
ICE CREAM CAPITAL
OF THE
WORLD

Source: Le Mars, Iowa

NATIONAL FRESH FRUIT AND VEGETABLES MONTH
NATIONAL DAIRY MONTH
NATIONAL POLLINATORS MONTH
NATIONAL TURKEY LOVERS MONTH



DORIAN DEVORE
AGE 10
MELBOURNE, IOWA

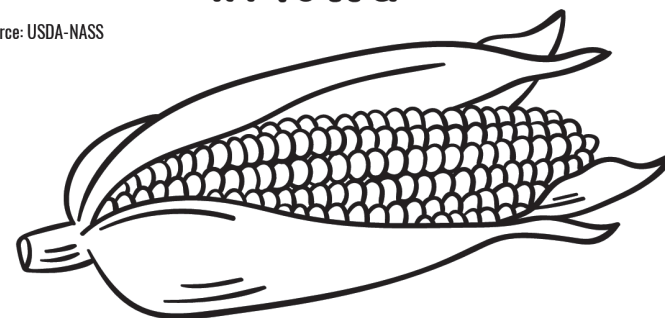
JULY

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4 INDEPENDENCE DAY	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13 COW APPRECIATION DAY	14	15	16	17
18 NATIONAL ICE CREAM DAY	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
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333
FARMS
 grow sweet corn on
3,086
ACRES
 in Iowa

Source: USDA-NASS



NATIONAL BLUEBERRY MONTH
NATIONAL ICE CREAM MONTH

The
29th
state

Has 99 Counties

CHOOSE
IOWA

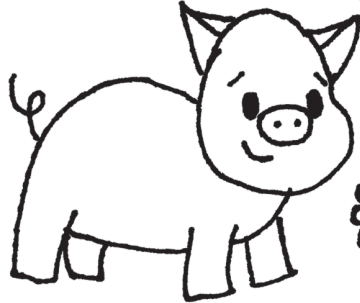
Known
for
EGGS!

BETH RASHIDI
AGE 14
VAN HORNE, IOWA

THE
HAWKEYE
STATE

1846-Now

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♥
IOWA



AUGUST

2027

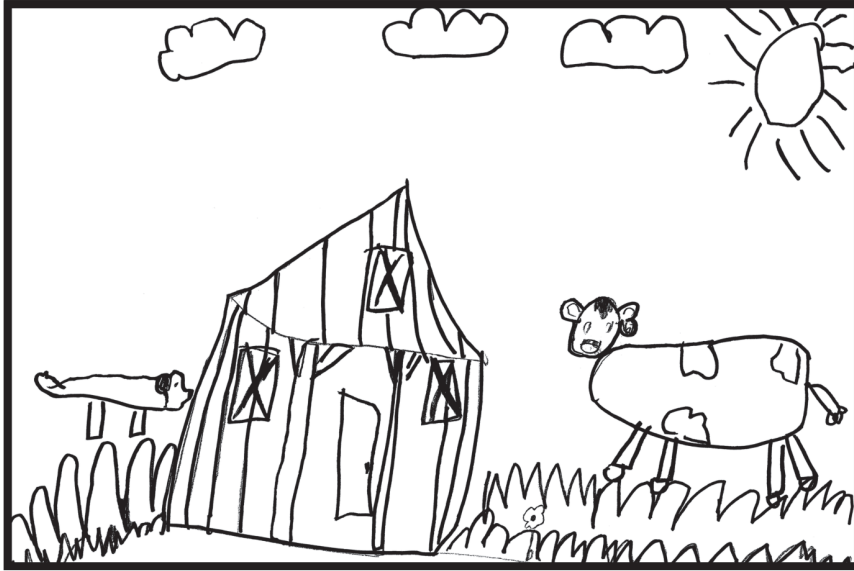
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8	9	10	11	12 IOWA STATE FAIR BEGINS	13	14
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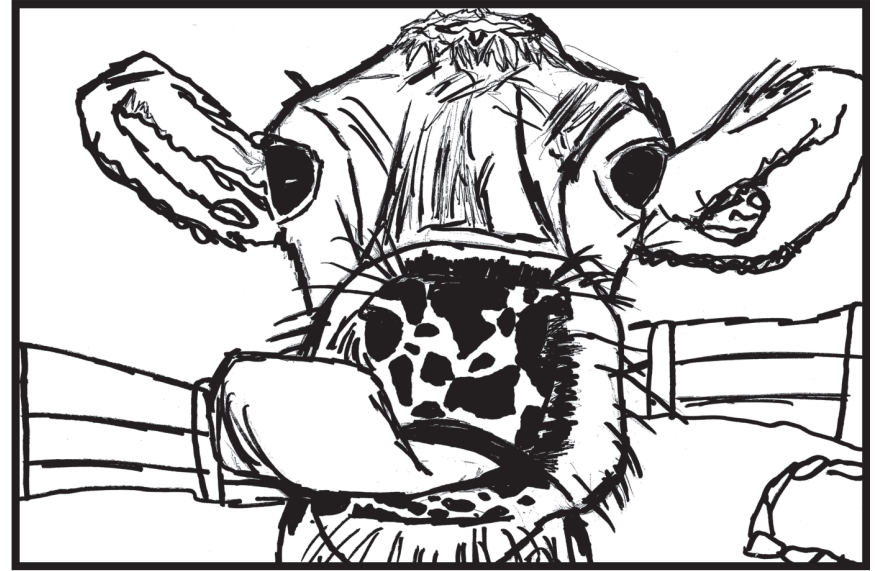
THE FIRST
FARMERS MARKET
IN IOWA
WAS
ESTABLISHED
IN DUBUQUE
IN 1858

Source: Dubuque
Farmers Market

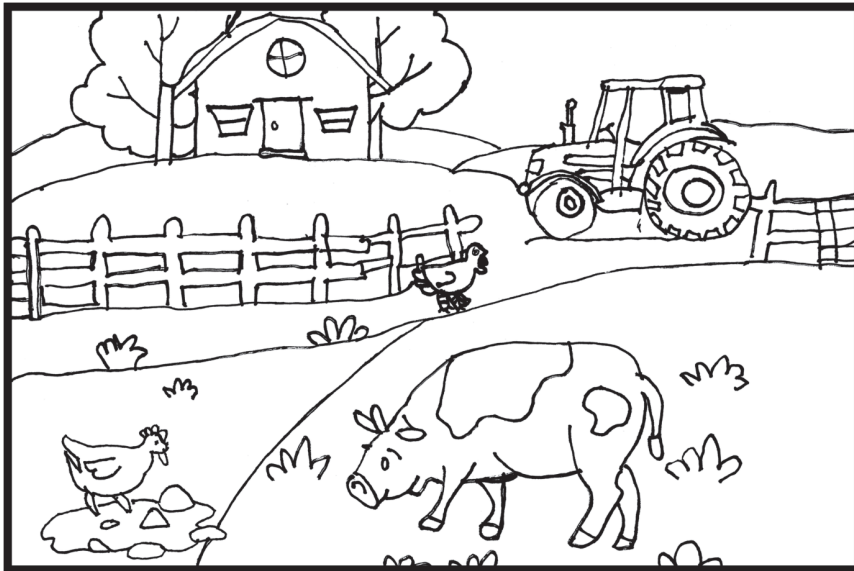
OUR HONORABLE MENTIONS



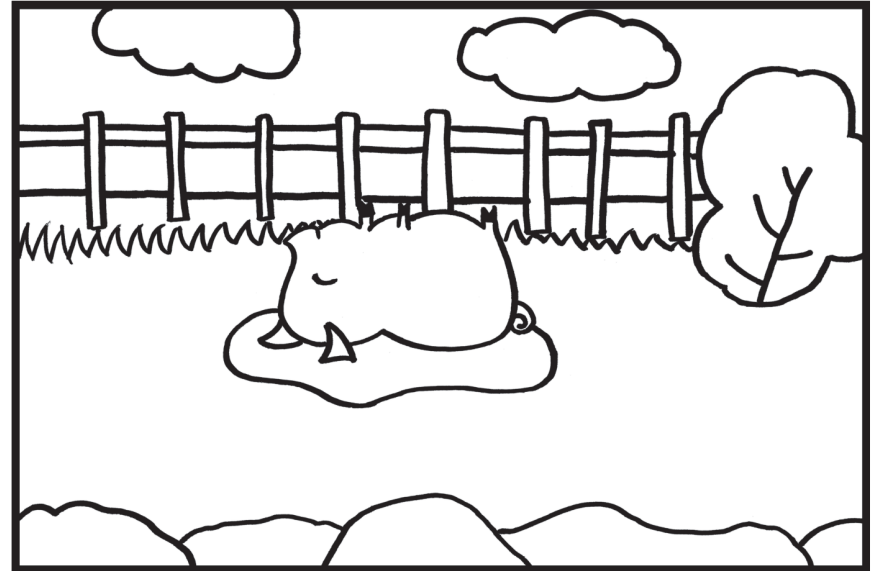
LANDRY FERCH | AGE 6 | STATE CENTER, IOWA



PENNY CHILDERS | AGE 12 | NEWHALL, IOWA



RAELYNN SONDAG | AGE 12 | VAN HORNE, IOWA



MAKINLEY MILLER | AGE 12 | ATKINS, IOWA

2027

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2028

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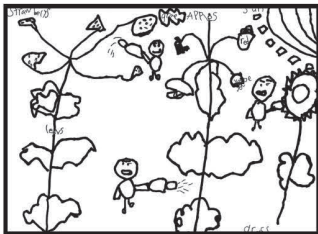
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ENTER YOUR ARTWORK FOR NEXT YEAR'S CALENDAR!

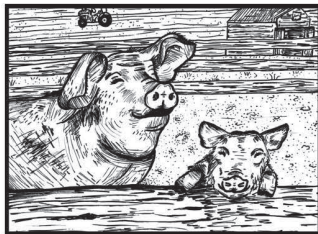
Iowa Secretary of Agriculture Mike Naig invites students to participate in the 2027-2028 Choose Iowa Calendar Contest! **The theme this year is Choose Iowa; Iowa grown, raised and made!** The artwork should feature some aspect of agriculture that is grown, raised, or made in Iowa. Submissions will be judged on creativity and incorporation of the theme. Entries must be postmarked or emailed to the Department by May 1, 2027.

The winning artists will be honored by Secretary Naig during a ceremony during the Iowa State Fair in the Agriculture Building. Their submissions will also be included in the Choose Iowa calendar that will be distributed online at ChooseIowa.com and at the Department's booths during the Fair.

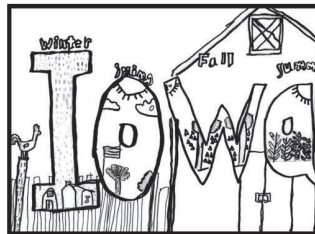
Iowa students 18 years old or younger are invited to participate. Pictures should be drawn in a horizontal orientation using only black lines on plain white, 8.5 by 11-inch paper. Computer artwork will also be accepted. Entries can be mailed to **ChooseIowa@IowaAgriculture.gov** or to Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship, Attn: Coloring Calendar, Hoover State Office Building, 1305 E. Walnut St., Des Moines, Iowa, 50319. Each submission should include basic information about the artist, including the artist's name, age, school, hometown, along with an email address and phone number for a parent or guardian.



SEPTEMBER



OCTOBER



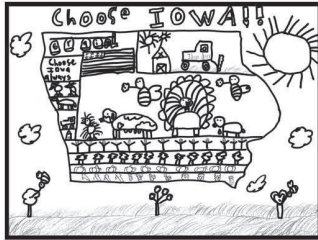
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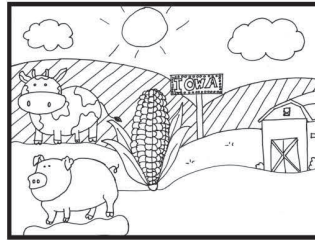
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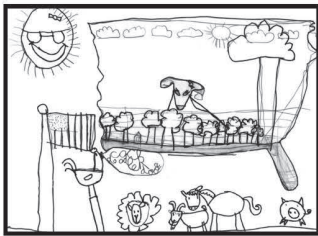
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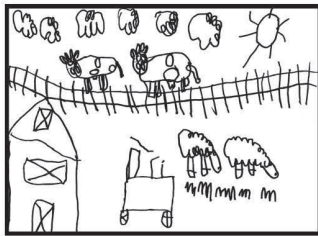
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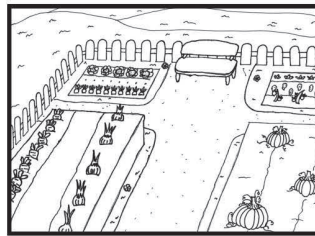
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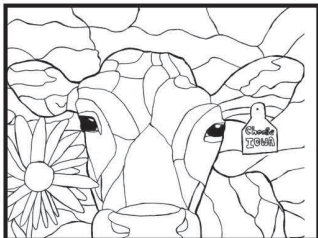
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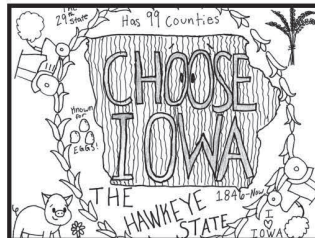
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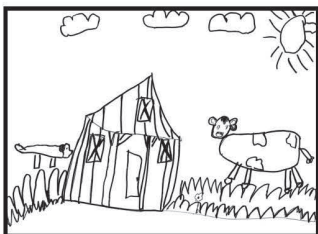
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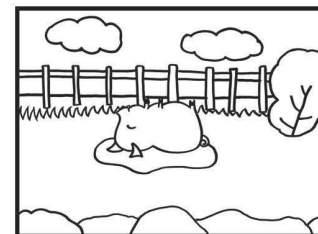
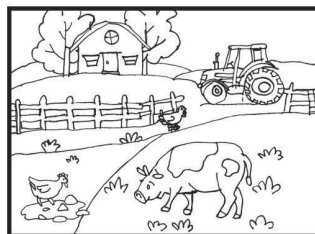
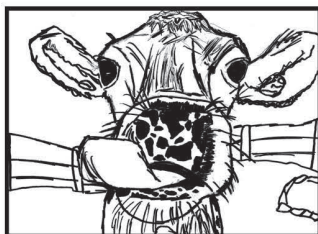
JULY



AUGUST



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Choose Iowa promotes food, beverages and agricultural products grown, made or raised in Iowa.

"Choose Iowa is about connecting consumers to the great foods and food products Iowans are growing, raising and processing in communities of all sizes across our state."

— Iowa Secretary of Agriculture Mike Naig

Finding local Iowa foods, supporting our neighboring farms and investing in our local communities are core values for Choose Iowa.

Everything this program and brand does is focused on supporting Iowa farmers and businesses and getting Iowa products to Iowa citizens. Find these products on our website!

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