

SOMERSET COUNTY

Celebrates 40 Years of Farmland Preservation

AGRICULTURE ACTIVITY BOOK





Welcome to the Agriculture Through the Years Activity Booklet!

This year we are celebrating **40 Years of Farmland Preservation!**

The program began with the intent to ensure our agricultural lands remained farms in perpetuity. The program goes beyond just the protection of ground—but the preservation of the history of our farm families. We actively work to preserve their stories and histories, and the history of the agricultural community as a whole.

This year, as we celebrate the farms we have preserved—let us not forget the hardworking men and women that paved the way for preservation, have kept our community fed, and those that work tirelessly to keep agriculture a sustainable business in our County. We hope you will join us to learn more about the history of Somerset County Agriculture!

Respectfully,

Mark W. Kirby

Mark W. Kirby, Chairman
Somerset County Agriculture Development Board

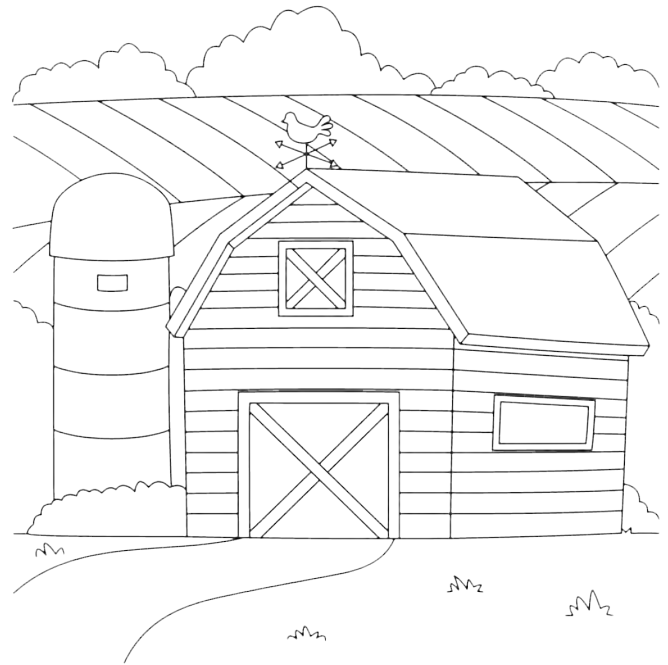
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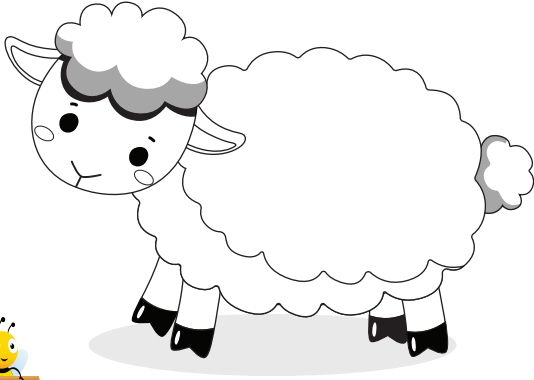
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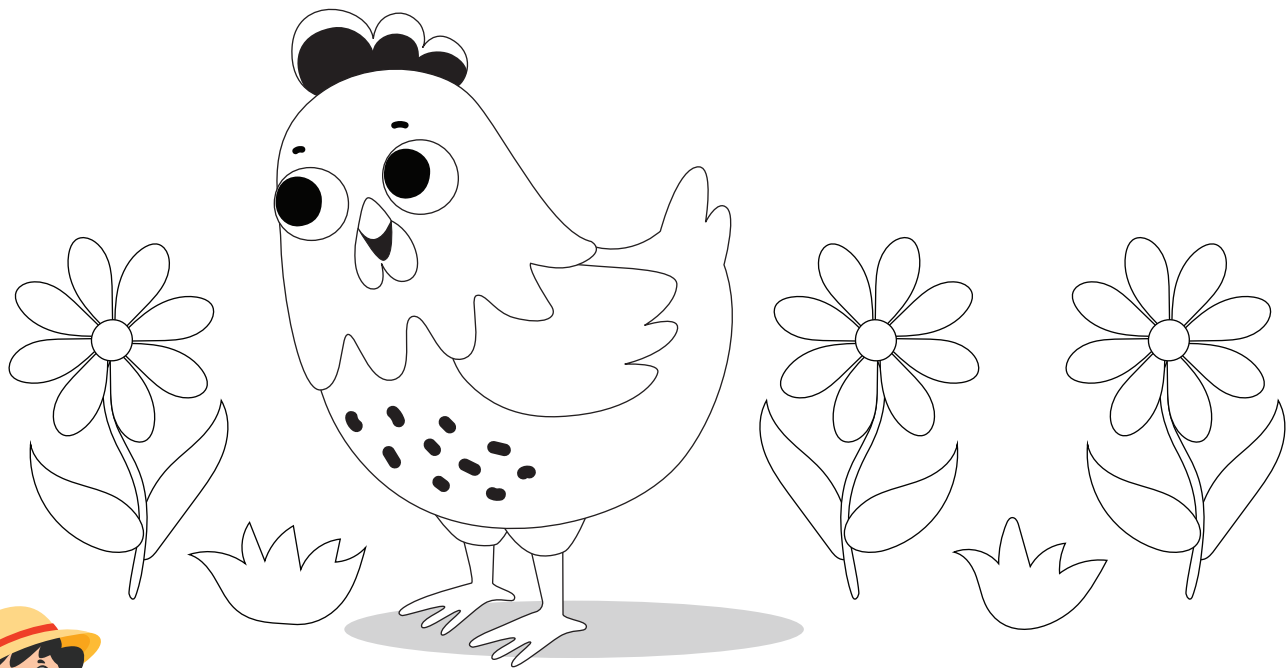


In October of 1987, the **Baron Farm** was officially enrolled into the Farmland Preservation Program that we still utilize today. This program ensured that the 85-acre sheep farm would remain farmland for future generations to enjoy!



Barn





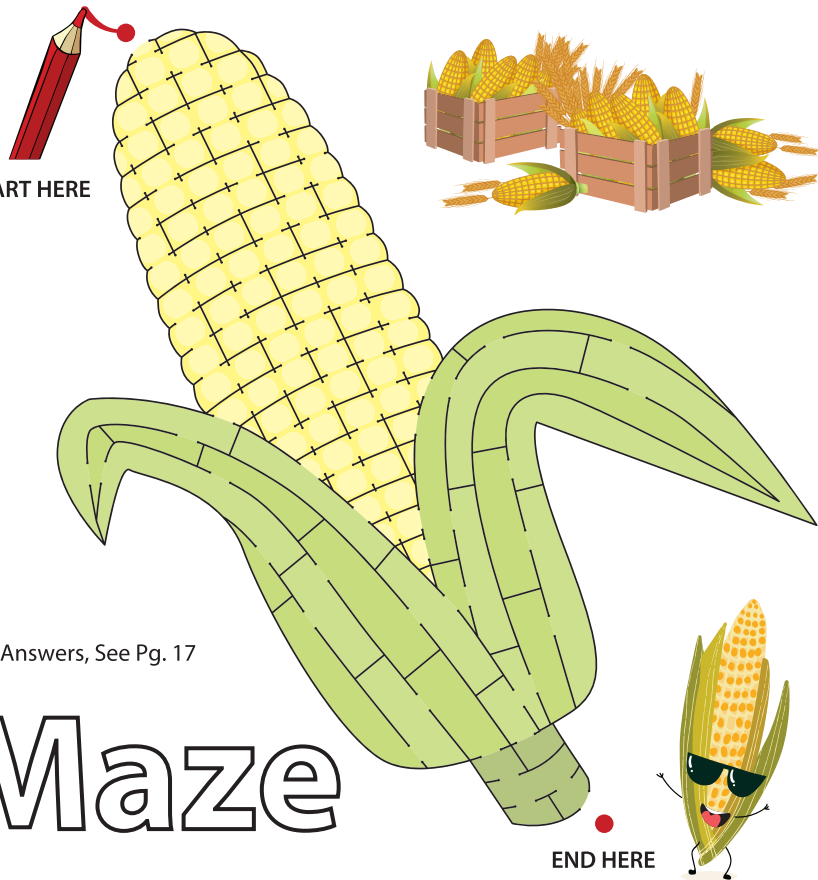
Chicken

Corn Mazes are now a fun fall tradition, but have you ever wondered where the idea came from? Mazes have been a popular form of artwork for centuries. Formal gardens became popular in Europe—where the wealthiest castles and palaces had mazes to entertain royalty. The first corn maze was attributed to Annville, Pennsylvania.

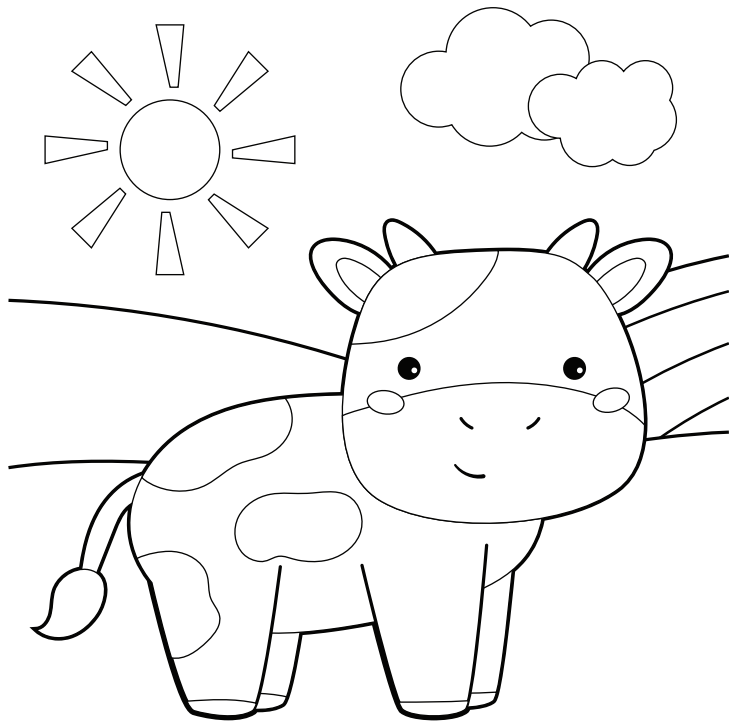
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Corn Maze



COW

In 1919, the first **Somerset County 4-H Dairy Show** was held on the Somerset County Courthouse Lawn, right after the Spanish Flu pandemic. Just a little over a 100 years later, the cows came back to the Courthouse Lawn to celebrate the history of agriculture in Somerset County—on the heels of another pandemic. Many of the roads in Hillsborough Township are named after the original charter members of our local New Centre Dairy 4-H Club that began in 1930.

Where do they live?

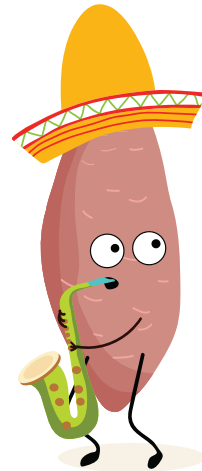
Help the animals go to their

Home.





Farmer's Market



Happy 40 Years of Farmland Preservation!

How many animals do you see?





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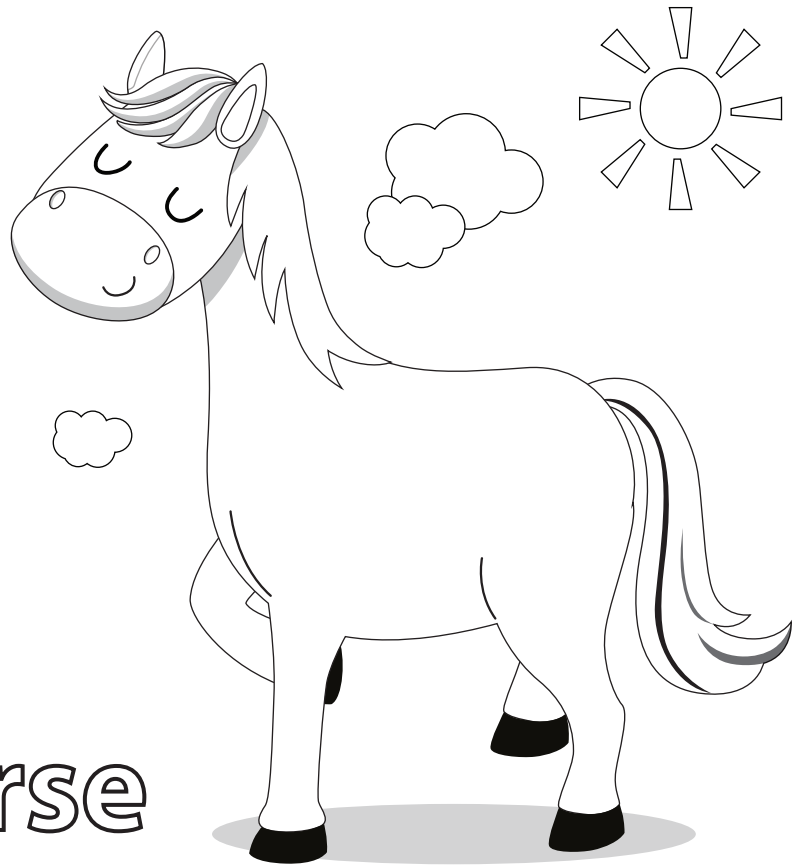
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One Farm at a Time

40 Years ANNIVERSARY



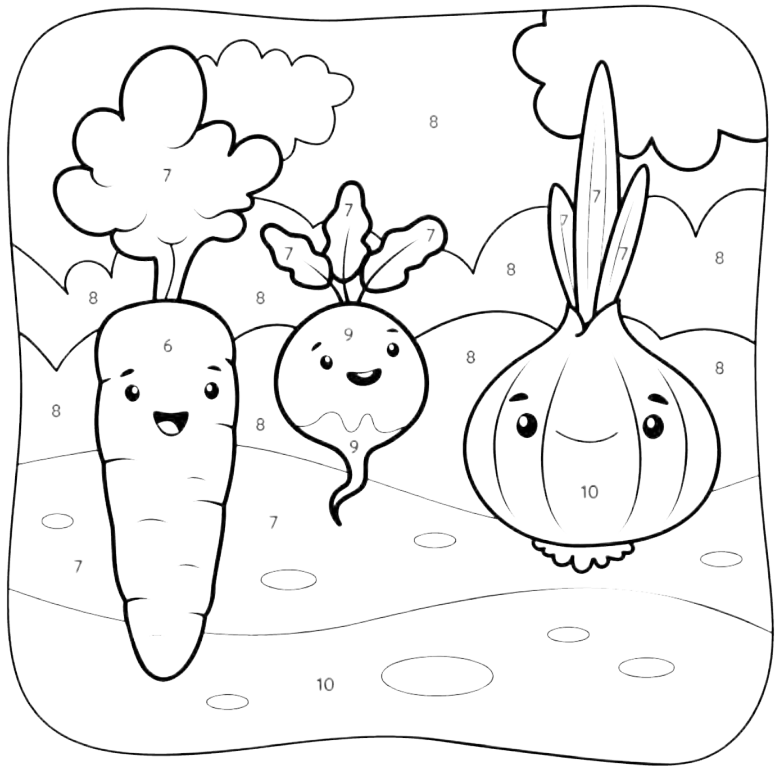
Somerset County has seen quite the history when it comes to our hay loving friends. During World War I, the government utilized the **Van Veghten House** as a lay-over location for the animals to be readied for war. To this day the County's equestrian history is ever present, the equestrian team utilizes a barn built in 1916—recognized as one of the largest and most lavish stables in the United States.











Horse

Color the Vegetables by number.

Discover numbers in the
picture and color the elements
according to the instructions.



 <p>6 5 7 8</p>	 <p>3 4 5 6</p>
 <p>1 2 3 4</p>	 <p>9 8 10 2</p>
 <p>9 6 10 2</p>	 <p>5 2 9 8</p>
 <p>10 3 8 2</p>	 <p>1 10 5 9</p>

Fruit

Counting

Count and circle the number of fruits in each box.



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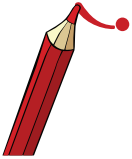
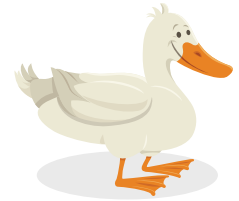
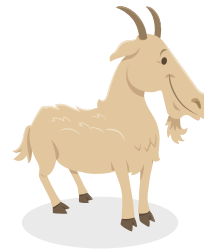
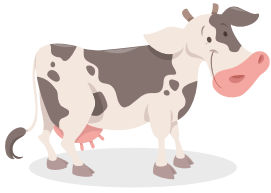
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Word Search

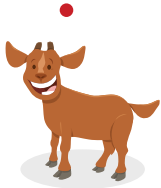
- Barn
- Bucket
- Cattle
- Dog
- Duck
- Farm
- Flock
- Fruit
- Grains
- Grow
- Herd
- Honey
- Rooster

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Connect the mother animals to their babies.



Farm Animals

Let us Play



FARM ANIMAL



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BINGO



Donkey



Monkey



Cow



Chick



Bird



Mouse



Turtle



Sheep



Pig



Duck



Alpaca



Chicken



Horse



Dog

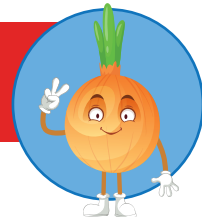


Bat

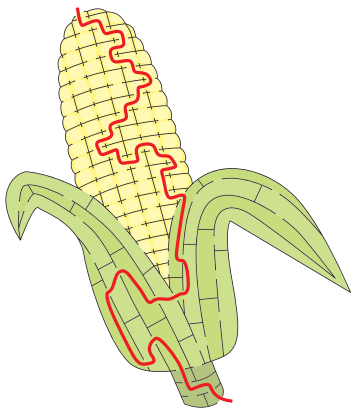


Rabbit

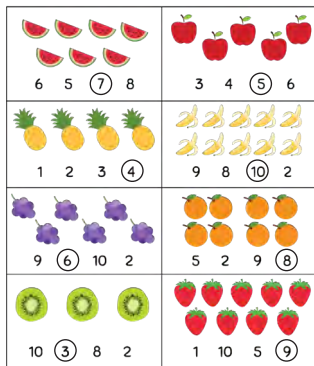
Answer Key



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Fruit Counting, Pg. 13



Word Search, Pg. 14



Animal Counting, Pg. 8

3 - Cows • 4 - Sheep • 2 - Roosters • 1 - Hen • 6 - Chicks



Let's see how you did!

