

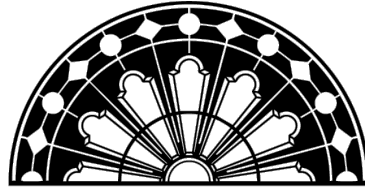
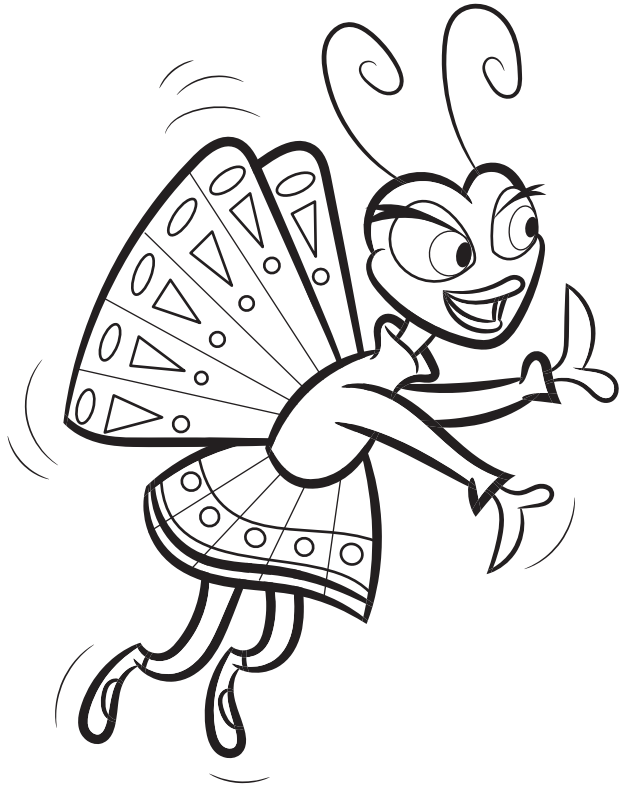
Traveling Arkansas with Friends: Meet Izzy Bee

An Adventure in
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Historic sites all over Arkansas tell the story of our past. Traveling the state to learn its history can be a great adventure! Diana the butterfly wants you to join her to visit 10 historic places around our state. Come along to learn more about Arkansas' amazing history and make some new friends along the way. Get ready for fun!



FUN FACT:

The Arkansas state butterfly is the Diana fritillary. Females are black and blue. Males are black and orange. Arkansas is the only state to choose the Diana fritillary as its official butterfly.

FUN FACT:

The state insect of Arkansas is the honeybee.



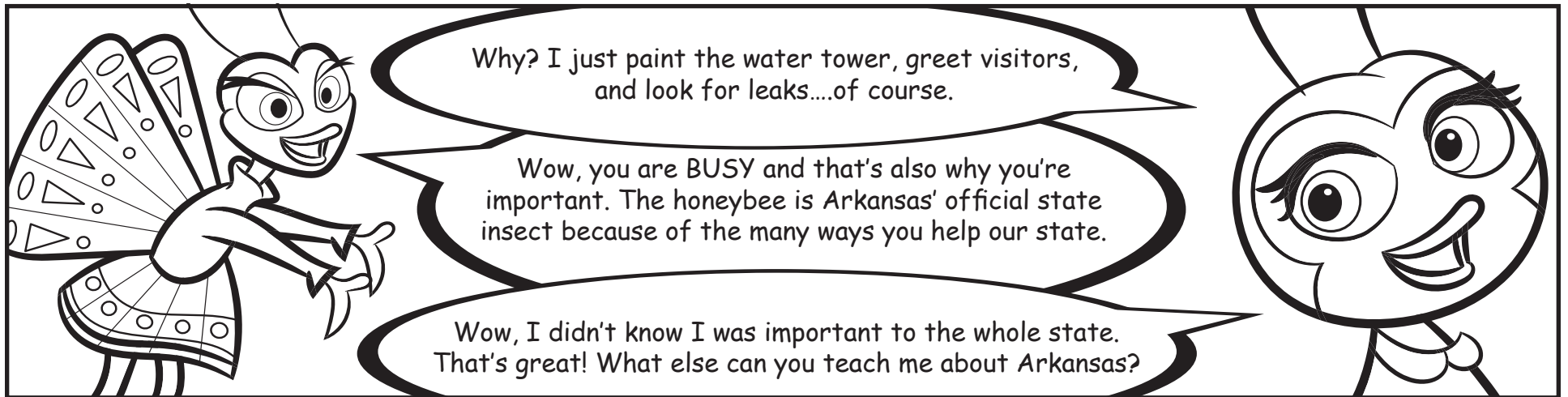
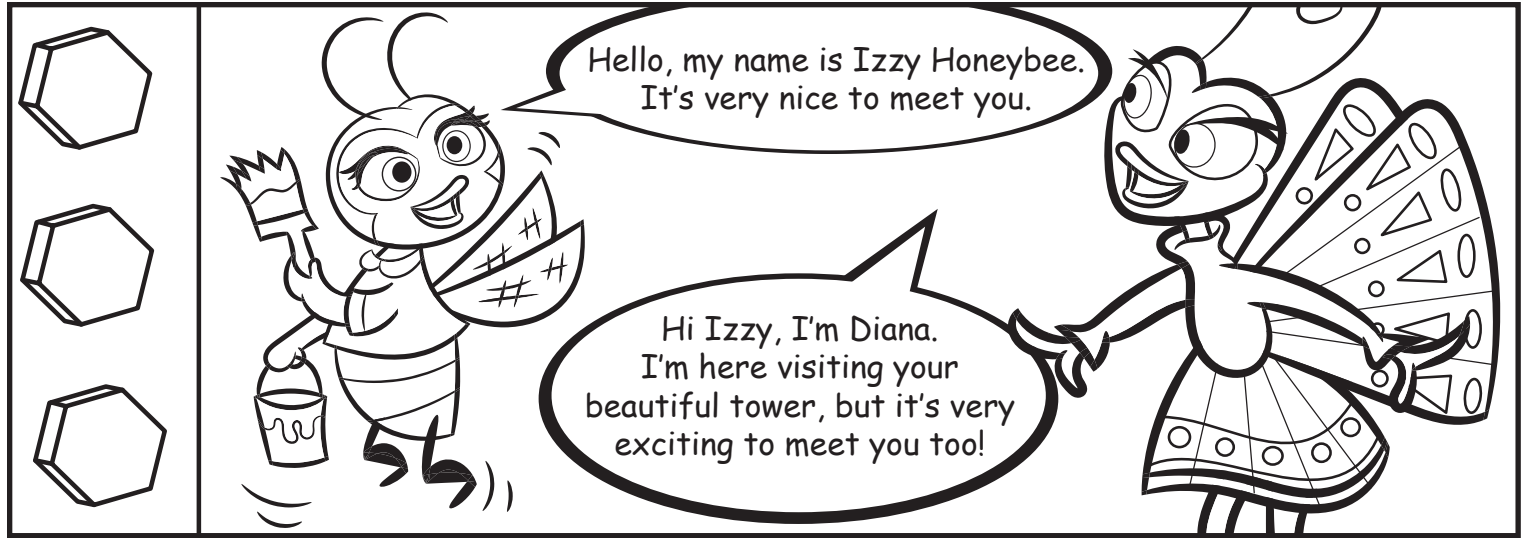
Hi friend, I'm so happy you're able to come with me on this journey. Friends make everything better! Our adventure in historic preservation will be fun and educational.

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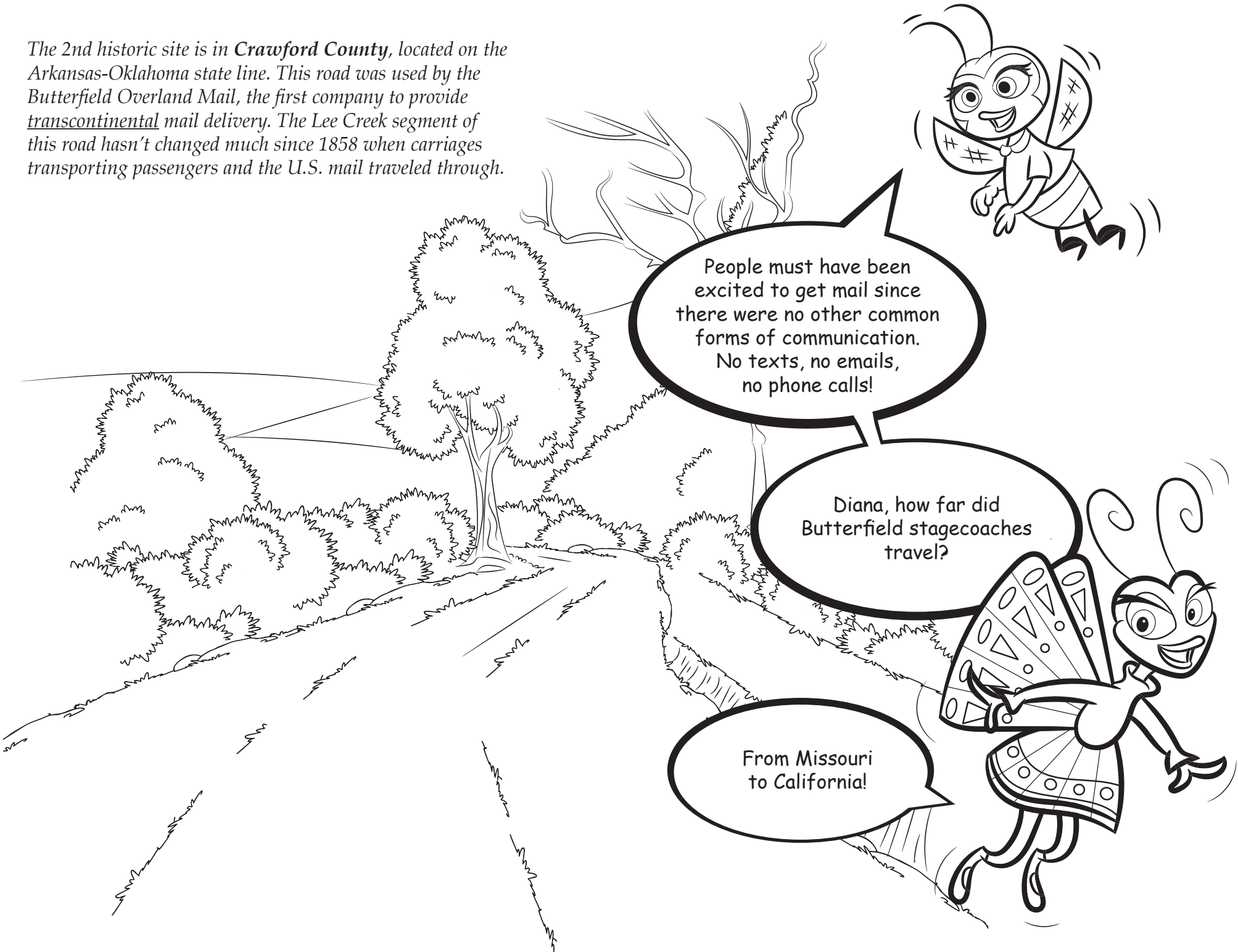
Our trip starts in **Jackson County** at the Tuckerman Water Tower. This tall, metal tower was built in 1935 by the Pittsburgh Des Moines Steel Company, and the Public Works Administration assisted with the construction. Since the beginning of its service, the community has used the water tower without changing the original design.

What's that flying around the top of the water tower?

INTERESTING FACT:
In 1973, Jackson Co. Representative Tom Collier introduced the honeybee as our state insect. Recognizing its importance, the state legislature declared the honeybee the official insect of Arkansas.



The 2nd historic site is in **Crawford County**, located on the Arkansas-Oklahoma state line. This road was used by the Butterfield Overland Mail, the first company to provide transcontinental mail delivery. The Lee Creek segment of this road hasn't changed much since 1858 when carriages transporting passengers and the U.S. mail traveled through.

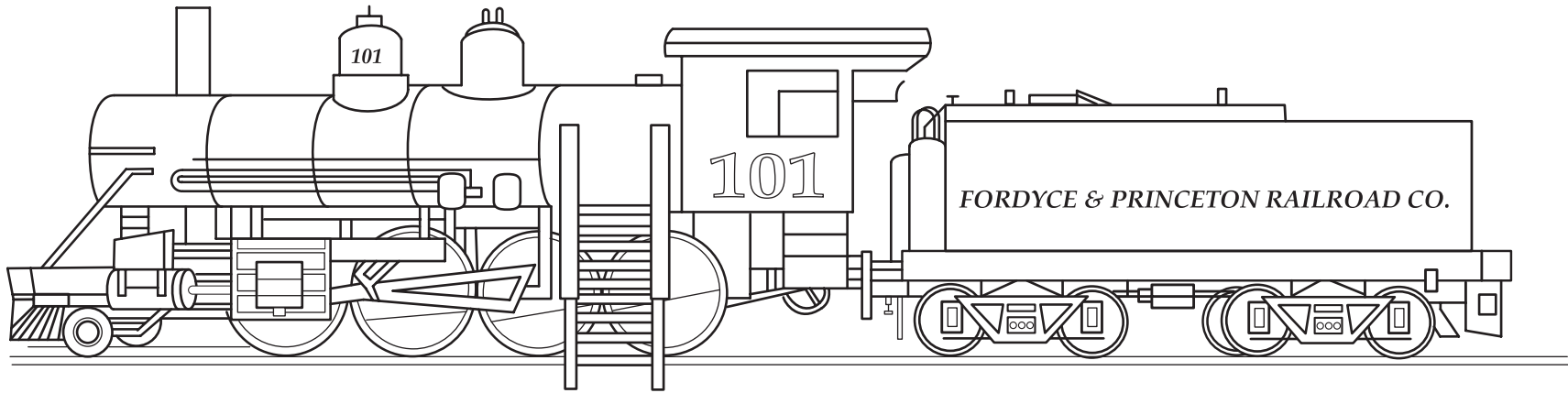


People must have been excited to get mail since there were no other common forms of communication. No texts, no emails, no phone calls!

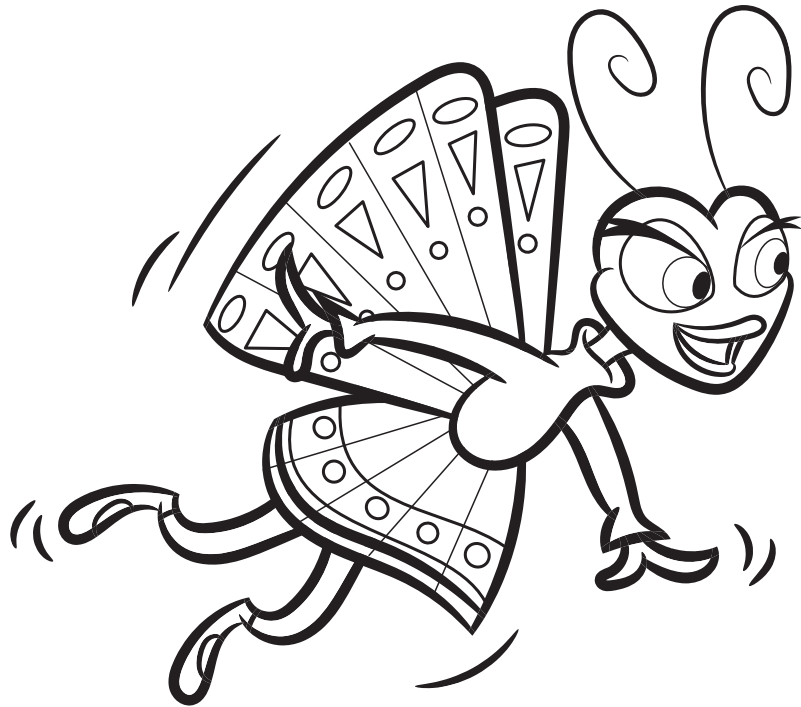
Diana, how far did Butterfield stagecoaches travel?

From Missouri to California!

The 3rd stop on our "Traveling Arkansas" adventure takes us to **Dallas County** to explore Steam Locomotive #101. This train engine was built by Baldwin Locomotive Works of Philadelphia, PA, in September 1922. The 2-8-0 Consolidation was known for hauling huge loads to its destination, perfect for south Arkansas' timber industry. For this reason, the Fordyce & Princeton RR Company purchased this locomotive to effectively transport its goods.

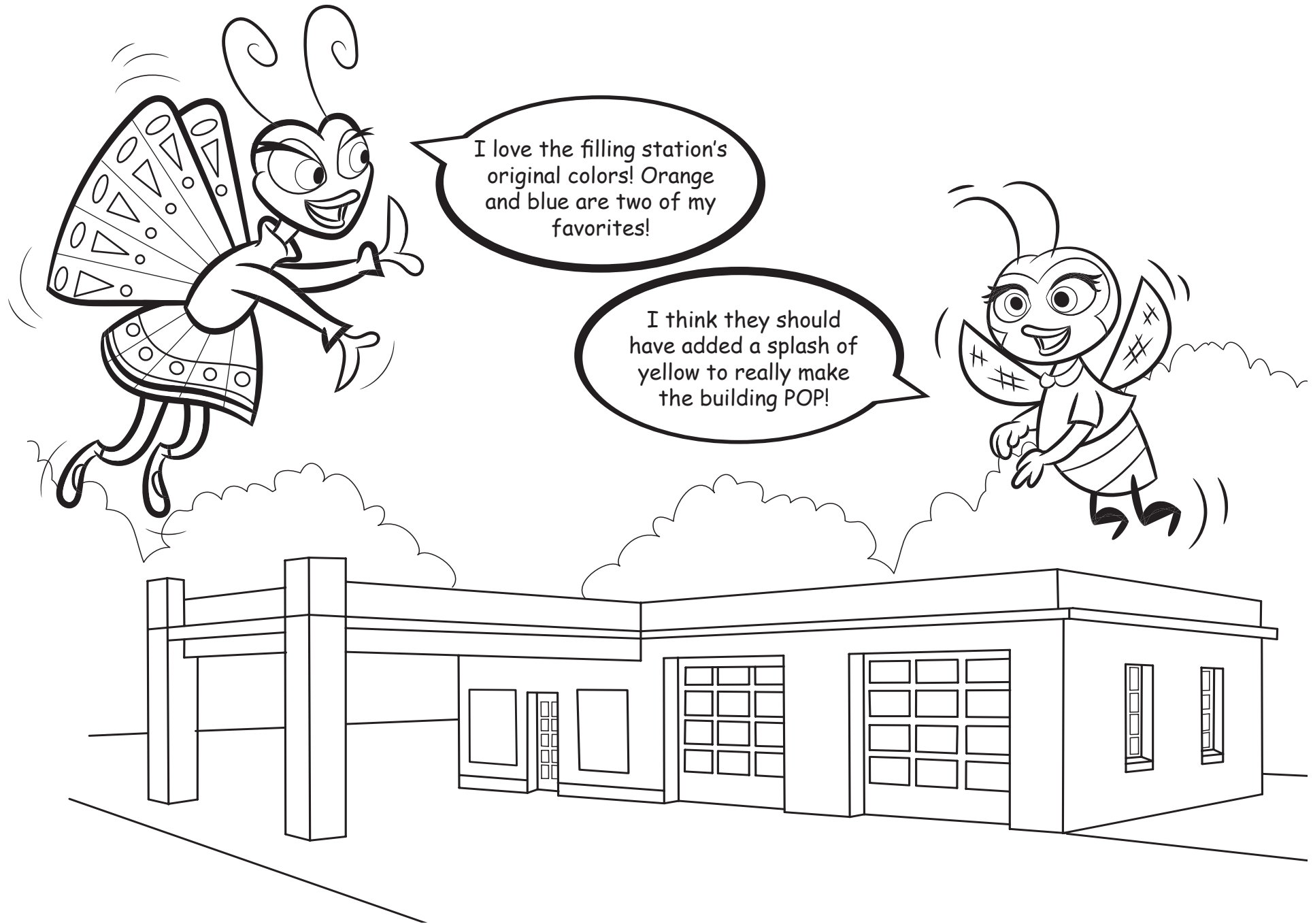


The 4th historic site on our trip is in **Greene County**, the Paragould War Memorial. This memorial was created by artist John Paulding in 1924 and honors World War I veterans. This monument lists the names of the 40 Greene County soldiers who lost their lives during this war. Arkansas has 8 sculptures dedicated to WWI veterans – 7 are doughboy statues and 1 is a small replica of the Statue of Liberty.



Oh, the Statue of Liberty!
I knew she looked familiar.





I love the filling station's original colors! Orange and blue are two of my favorites!

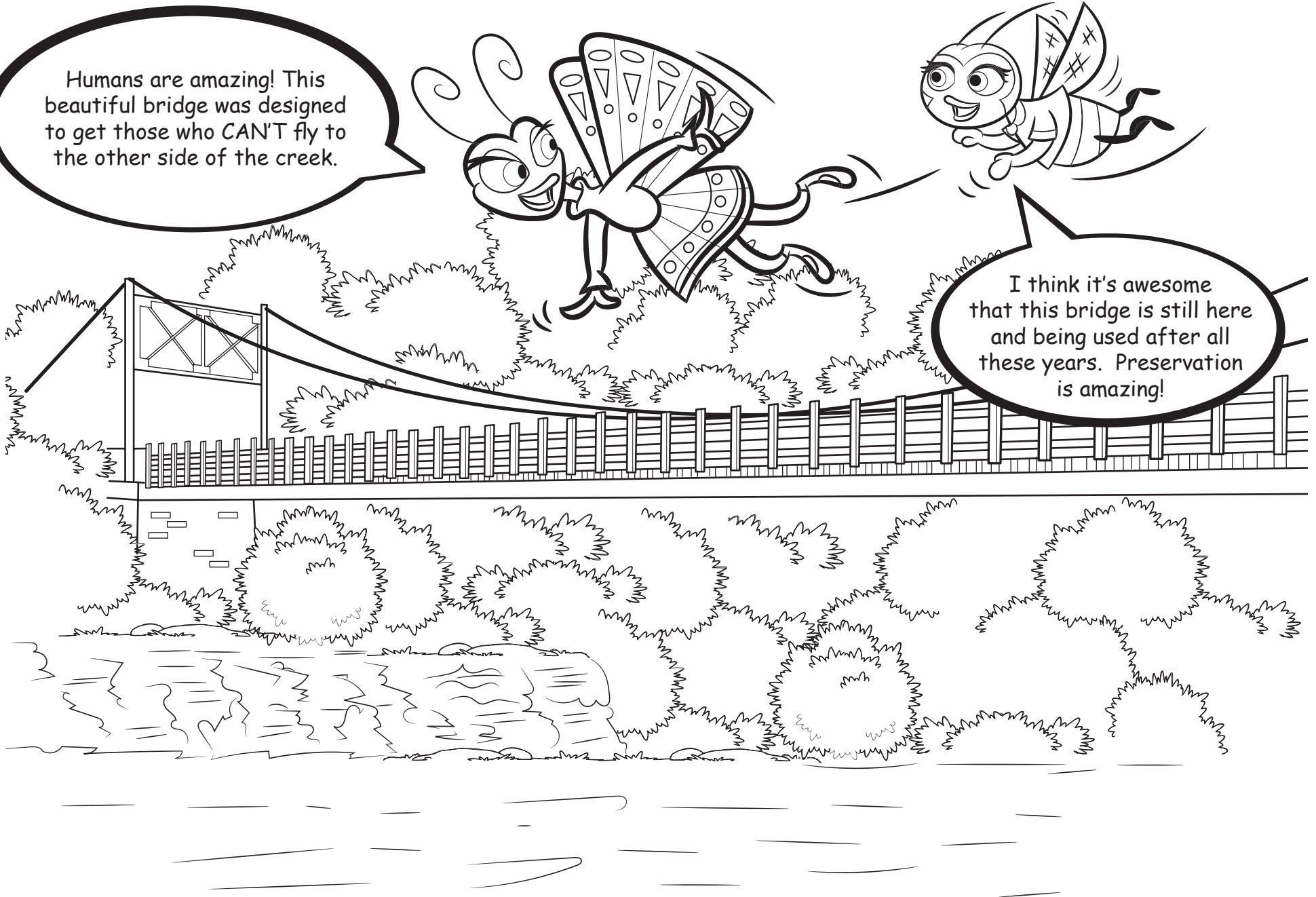
I think they should have added a splash of yellow to really make the building POP!

Historic property #5 is the Gulf Oil Company Filling Station in Lafayette County. This building was built circa 1930 and followed the corporate design model of a one-story building divided into two service sections. One side was covered by a large canopy and included the office and pump area; and the other side was a car servicing center with 2 bay doors. The colors blue, white and orange used to paint the building were another Gulf Oil Company design feature.

Stone County is the next stop, and Sylamore Creek Bridge is our 6th historic site. This wire-cable suspension bridge was built circa 1945 and designed by principal engineer N.B. Garver. This bridge is 202 ft. long, 19 ft. 6 in. wide, and is one of only two wire-cable suspension bridges still found in Arkansas today.

Humans are amazing! This beautiful bridge was designed to get those who CAN'T fly to the other side of the creek.

I think it's awesome that this bridge is still here and being used after all these years. Preservation is amazing!





Now this historic house is safe,
beautiful and educational
for visitors.

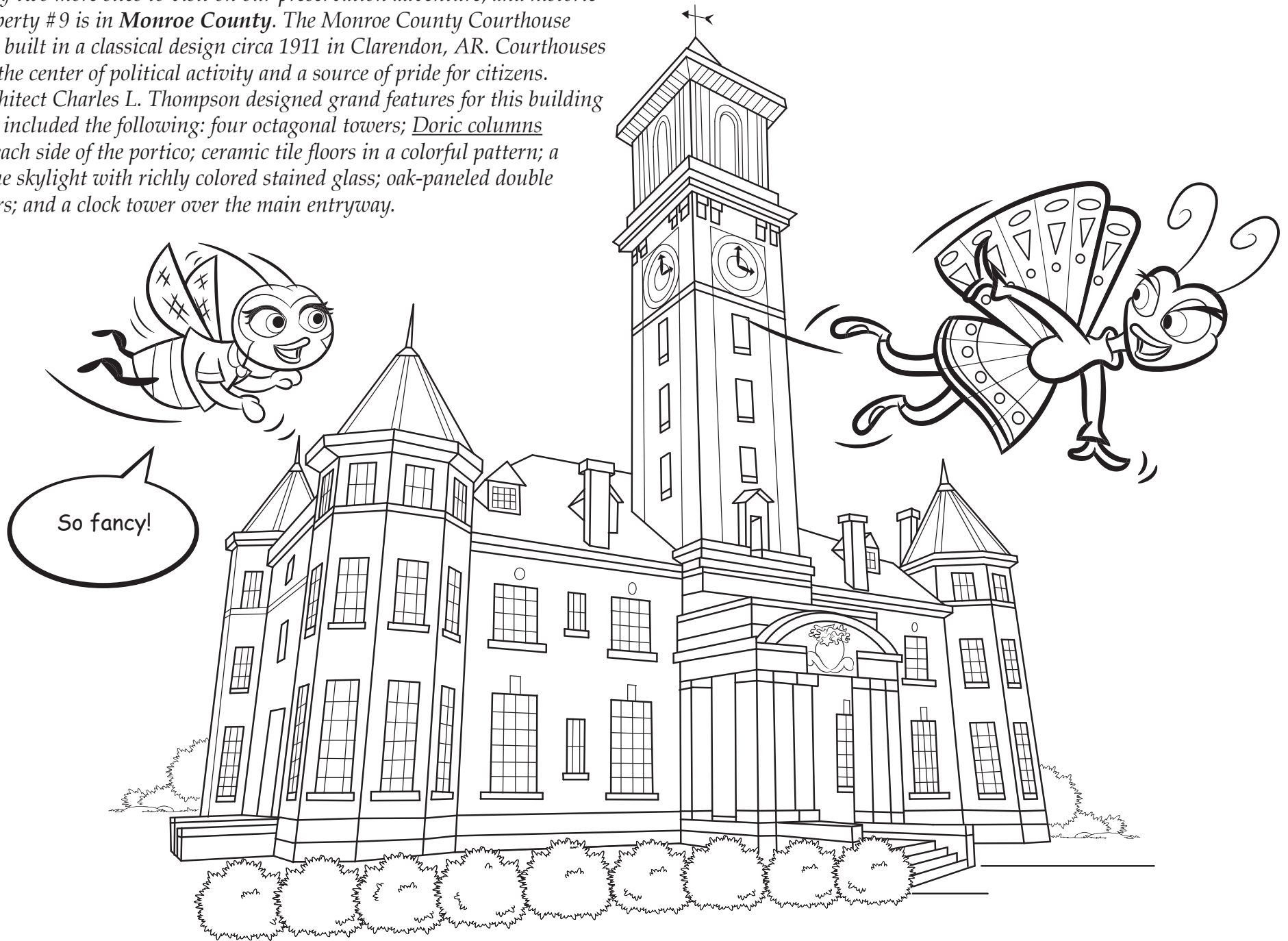


Historic property #7 is the Taylor House located in Drew County. This antebellum, cypress-log, dogtrot cabin was built circa 1846 and recently underwent a total renovation. A family cemetery and plantation farm can also be found at this historic site. In 1880, the house was moved from its original spot away from Bayou Bartholomew due to the waterway's collapsing banks.

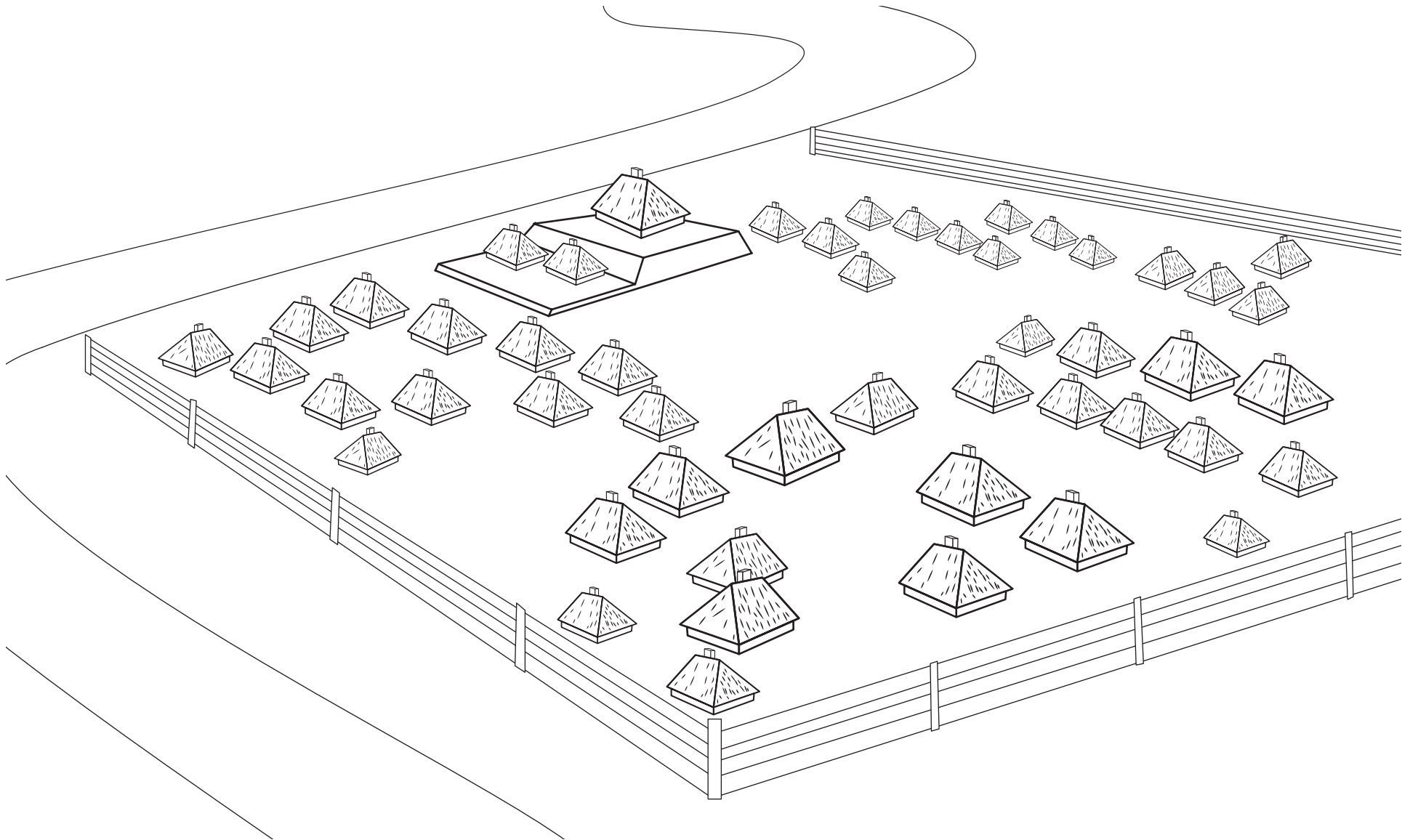


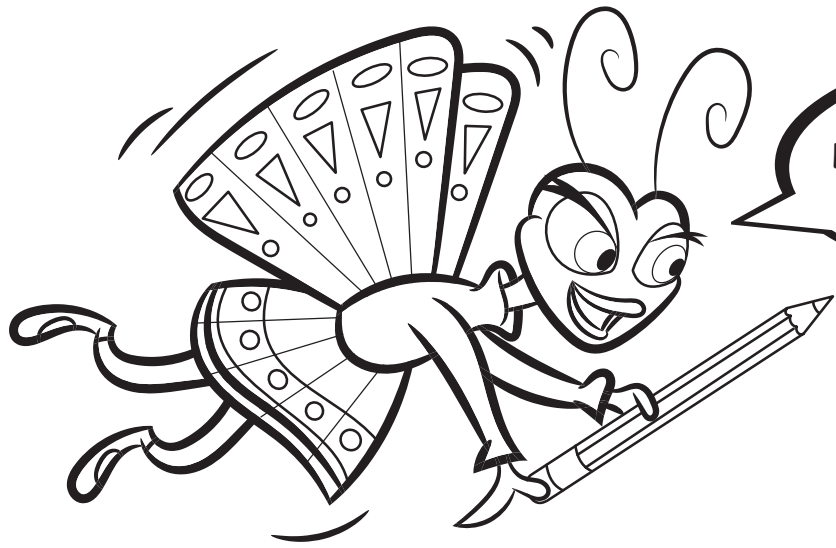
*The 8th historic site is in **Montgomery County** and is the most unique. The Norman Town Square Library is maybe the smallest library ever built! Construction started in 1935 with the library built in the center of four diamond-shaped flower beds. The library is a single-story brick construction with a gable roof and Craftsman-style front porch. In 1940, the WPA added a stone-and-concrete wall to surround the entire square.*

Only two more sites to visit on our preservation adventure, and historic property #9 is in **Monroe County**. The Monroe County Courthouse was built in a classical design circa 1911 in Clarendon, AR. Courthouses are the center of political activity and a source of pride for citizens. Architect Charles L. Thompson designed grand features for this building and included the following: four octagonal towers; Doric columns on each side of the portico; ceramic tile floors in a colorful pattern; a dome skylight with richly colored stained glass; oak-paneled double doors; and a clock tower over the main entryway.



The last stop on this "Traveling Arkansas" trip is Parkin Archeological State Park in **Cross County**. Located in the St. Francis River Basin, archeological evidence of late Mississippian (1350-1650) cultures suggests native peoples once thrived in this area. This site is a National Historic Landmark because native peoples lived here from the Paleo-Indian to Mississippian periods. Parkin Indian Mound Site includes a Mississippian pyramidal mound, a village site protected on 3 sides by a man-made ditch and the St. Francis River, a natural boundary, on the 4th side. Many sites along the St. Francis and Tyronza rivers with similar defense fortifications have been identified. Parkin is believed to be the village of Casqui, the center of a late Mississippian chiefdom. Due to its location on the St. Francis and Tyronza rivers, the people of Casqui controlled river traffic thus giving them power over the area. The picture below gives us an idea of how the village may have looked when Native Americans lived there.

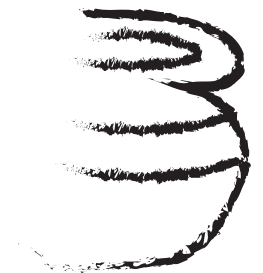




Let's draw some artifacts found at archeological sites.



Okay, I'll start with a pottery bowl and then....



Spotlight Words

This coloring book has important words that we want to help you learn. Each county has an underlined word somewhere on its page called a spotlight word. All spotlight words are defined below, and each includes an activity. Ask family for help completing the activities for the 10 spotlight words and, most importantly, have fun!

- **PRESERVATION:** To keep something of value intact and safe from damage, decay, or destruction.

List three things in your life you would like to preserve. _____

- **TRANSCONTINENTAL:** Extending or going across a continent.

Ask your parents to help you make a list of all the states you have visited.

Next, mark those states on a U.S. map to see if you're a transcontinental traveler. _____ YES _____ NO

- **DESTINATION:** Any place that you're willing to make a special trip to visit.

Write 3 sentences about your favorite travel destination you hope to visit one day.

1 _____

2 _____

3 _____

- **MEMORIAL:** Something established to remind people of a person or event.

Draw a picture of the memorial you would design for someone special in your life.



- **CIRCA:** When exact dates are unknown, this is used to give an approximate date of when something happened or was made.

Circa is used 4 times in this book. Find all four and circle in red.

- **SUSPENSION:** A suspension bridge uses wire cables to hold up the roadway.

Seven types of bridges are used today. Google “types of bridges” to see a list, then identify which bridge types you have traveled over. _____

- **RENOVATION:** The process of repairing, renewing, or restoring a site to good condition.

This coloring book mentions 10 historic sites found in Arkansas. Draw a green star at the top of the page of the historic sites you think have been through a renovation process.

- **CRAFTSMAN:** Architectural style that includes design features such as gabled roofs, open floor plans, wood framing, front porches with support columns, exposed rafters, and natural materials or colors.

Turn to the Montgomery County page and label the Norman Library’s Craftsman design features: gabled roof, front porch, support columns and wood elements.

- **DORIC COLUMNS:** Columns with a simple, rounded top; a heavy, smooth column shaft; and no base.

Turn to the Monroe County page and color the 4 Doric columns on the Monroe County Courthouse yellow.

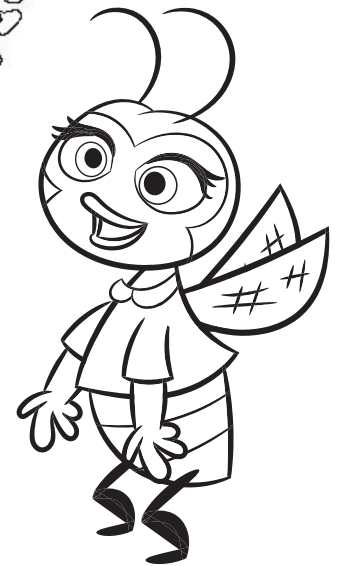
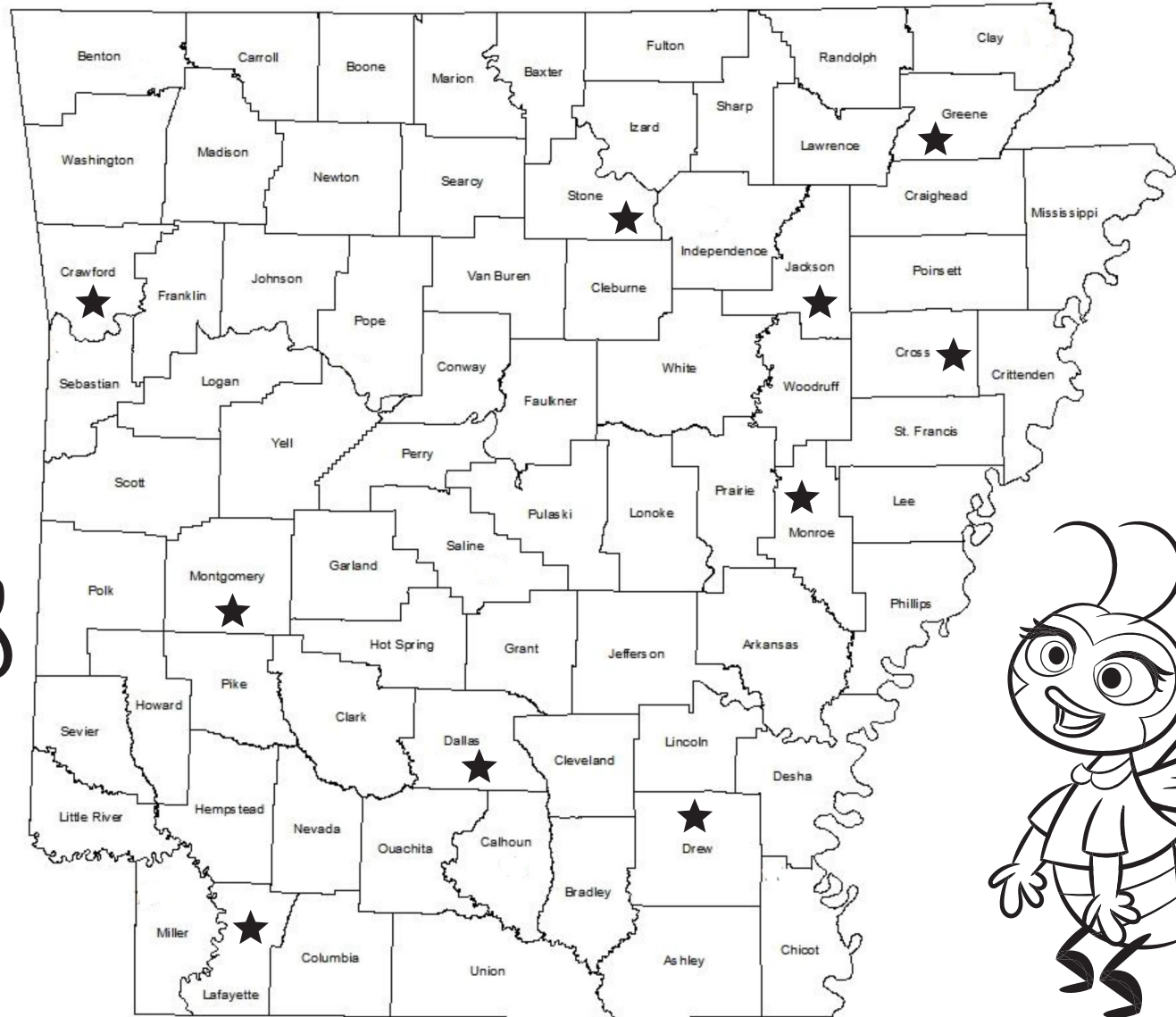
- **ARCHEOLOGICAL:** The scientific study of material remains of past human life and activities, such as arrowheads/tools, pottery, jewelry, bones, stone walls.

Draw a picture of the historical item you would be excited to find at Parkin Archeological State Park.



Trace Diana and Izzy's Journey Across Arkansas

Number the places that Diana and Izzy went on their journey in the order they visited them. Then, draw a line from each to the next.





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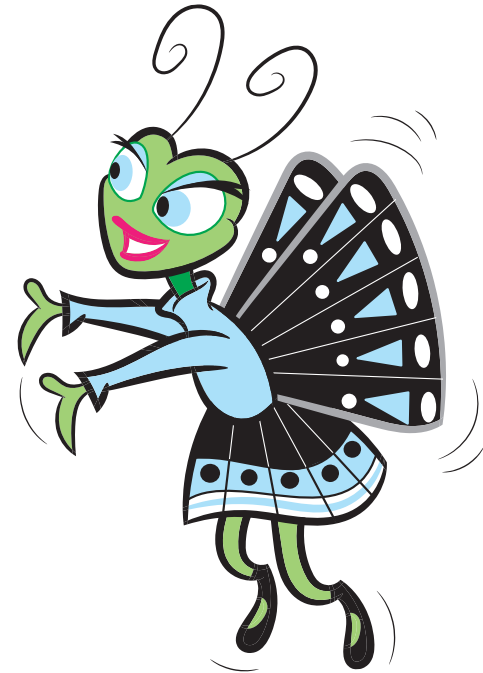
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Arkansas is full of exciting places and history. Take a trip around The Natural State to learn about some of Arkansas' amazing historic sites in Greene, Stone, Crawford, Jackson, Cross, Monroe, Montgomery, Dallas, Drew, and Lafayette counties.



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