

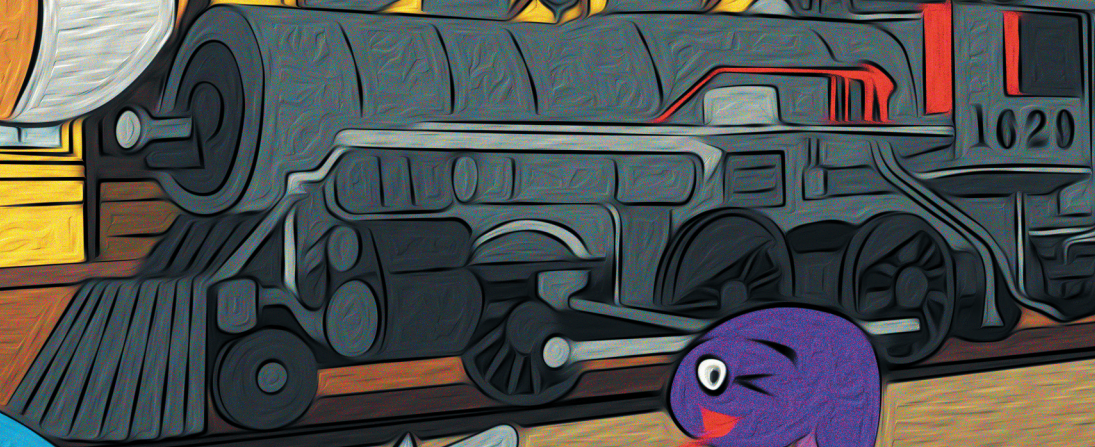


SAMMY

STORIES

Volume 4

SANTA CLARITA'S
WONDER WHEELS



Coloring Book



FOREWARD

Our children are fortunate to be taught their state and local history in elementary school. I am very pleased this new version of Sammy

Stories evolves into the most fantastic, western adventure. Strap in your seat-belt as you read and color this adventure with your child.

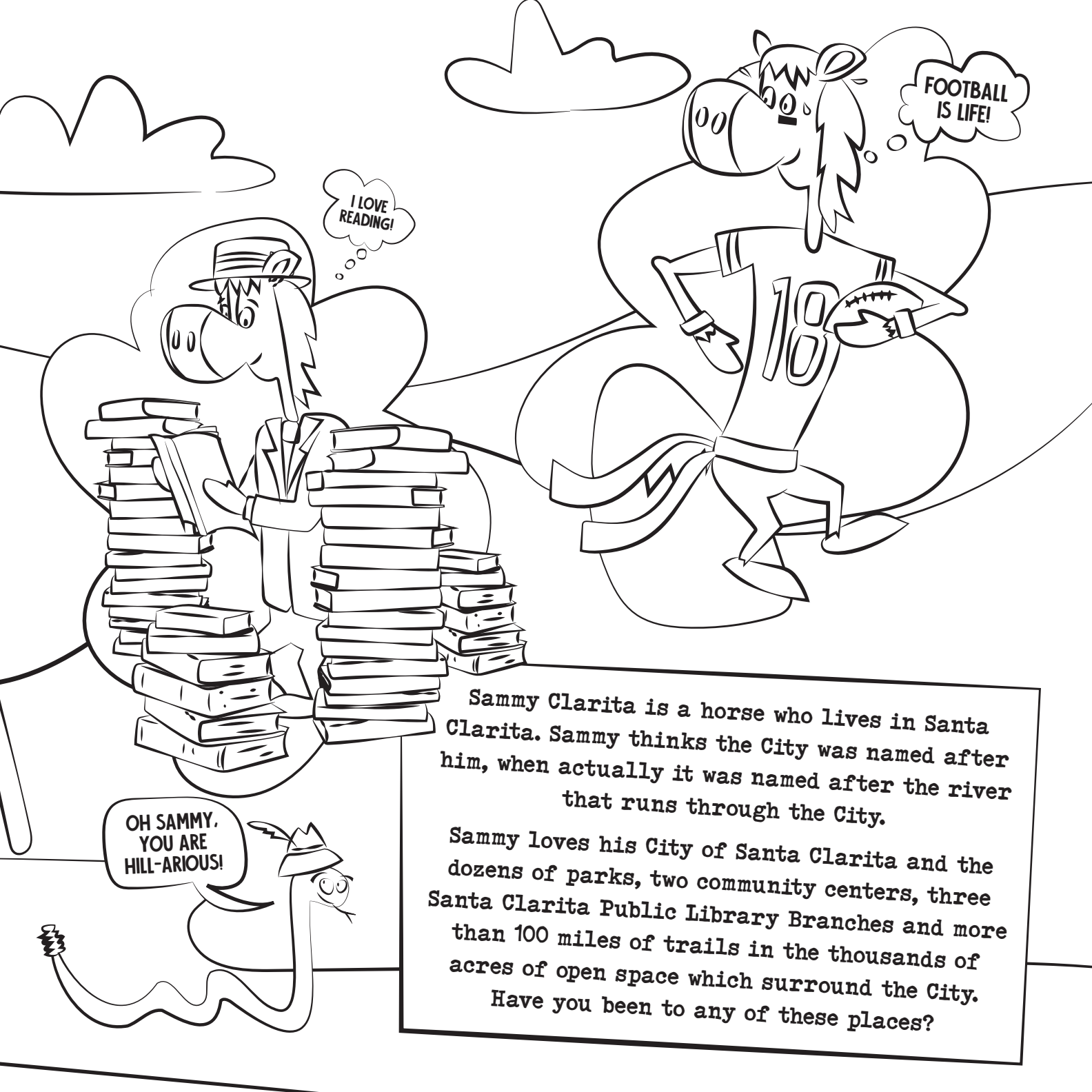
Starting with modern and interesting trucks, such as a trail dozer, trains, and even a Zamboni (from The Cube),

right into an old-time steam locomotive, western-heart-pounding adventure. Culminating in Hart Park, which is a treasure trove of our history, with original historic homes, barns and all kinds of farm animals; such as horses, donkeys, pigs, tortoises, birds, bison and five very special alpacas!

Sammy Clarita will save the day! Afterall, he is the hero of Santa Clarita and his "Wonder Wheels." I hope you enjoy this very special adventure with your children!

- Mayor Laurene Weste 2022





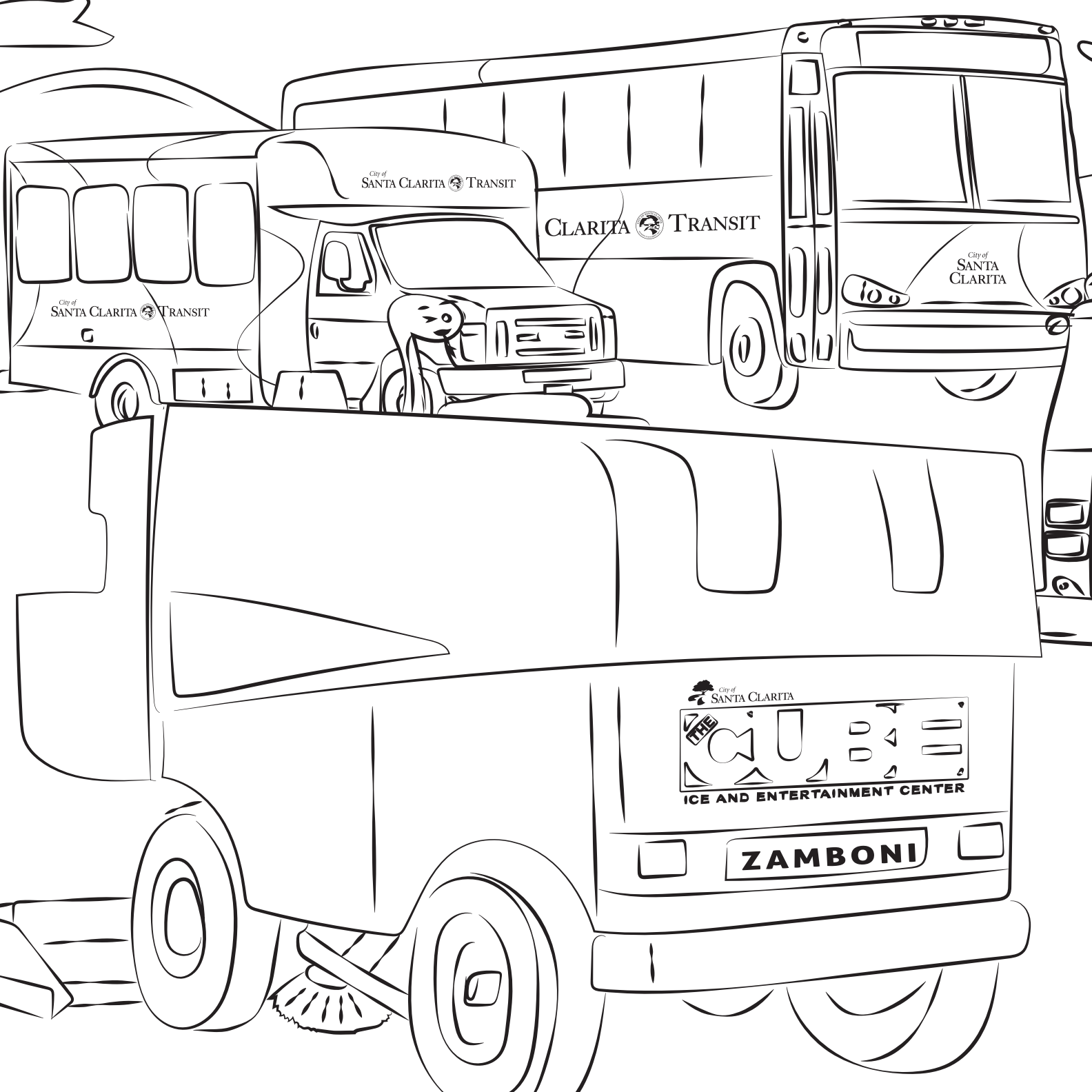
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READING!

FOOTBALL
IS LIFE!

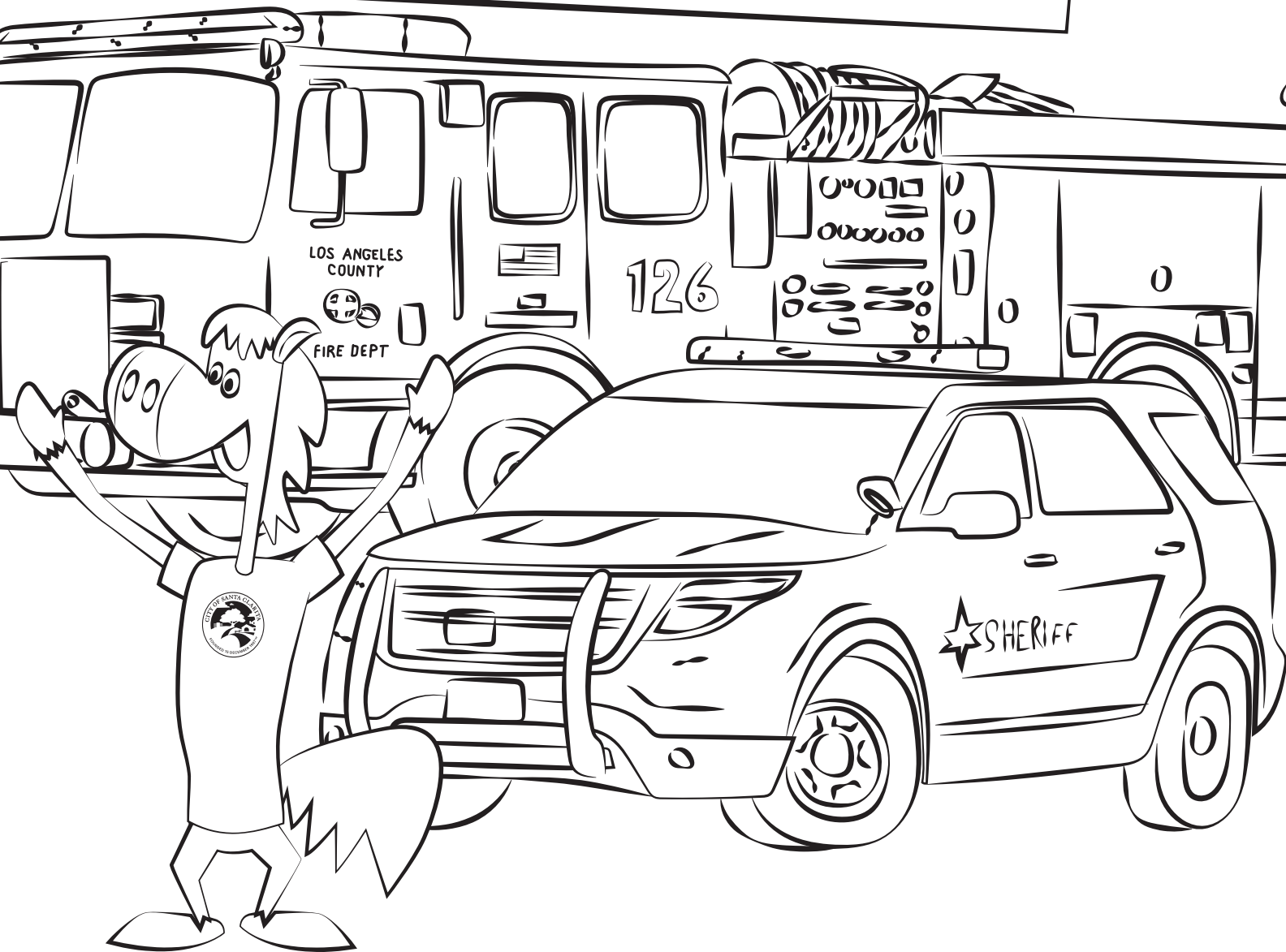
OH SAMMY,
YOU ARE
HILL-ARIOUS!

Sammy Clarita is a horse who lives in Santa Clarita. Sammy thinks the City was named after him, when actually it was named after the river that runs through the City.

Sammy loves his City of Santa Clarita and the dozens of parks, two community centers, three Santa Clarita Public Library Branches and more than 100 miles of trails in the thousands of acres of open space which surround the City. Have you been to any of these places?



The other thing that Sammy loves about Santa Clarita, is all the cool vehicles that cruise around town making sure roads are smooth, residents are safe, people can get around the City and they even keep the ice smooth at The Cube. He likes to call them - Santa Clarita's Wonder Wheels!



Have you ever ridden on a City bus? Santa Clarita Transit takes people to work, the Library, the store and all around town. They have seven different kinds of buses and Sammy had a chance to check all of them out. His favorite bus was the caterpillar one...it was so long and bendy! It's actually called an "articulated" bus and is 60 feet long! It is used for the busiest bus routes and can carry up to 60 residents.

DOES THE
BUS USUALLY
RUN ON-TIME?

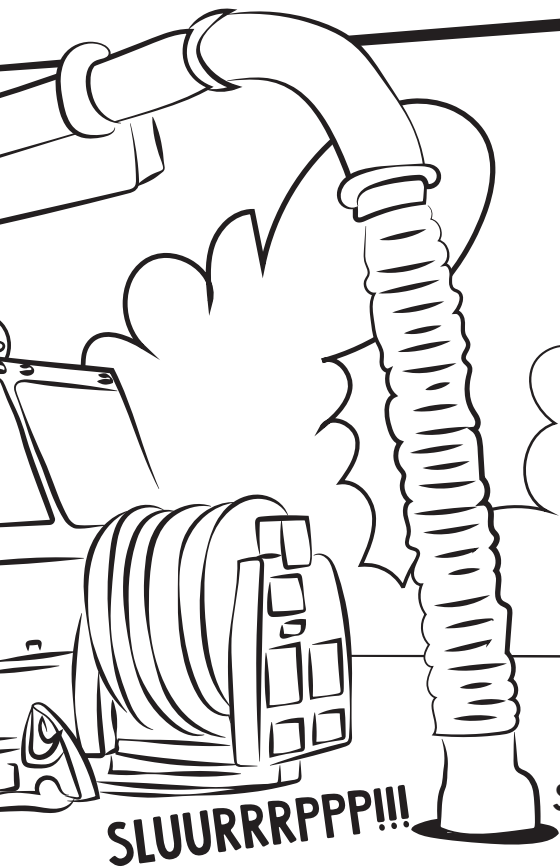
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NO...IT RUNS
ON TIRES!

I DRINK
YOUR
MILKSHAKE!!!

I DRINK
IT UP!!!





Sammy then headed over to the City Yard to see all of the trucks and tractors that are used to fill potholes, move dirt and even suck trash out of the storm drains. That one was his favorite – it is called a Vactor truck, or vacuum truck, because it has a big, long tube on it – just like the vacuum that is used to clean carpets! But this truck is used to clean up sludge, mud, trash and any other junk that can clog storm drains. City crews use the big Vactor truck to suck all that muck out of the drain into a big tank. This way the only thing that goes into the storm drain and is washed into the Santa Clara River...is water!

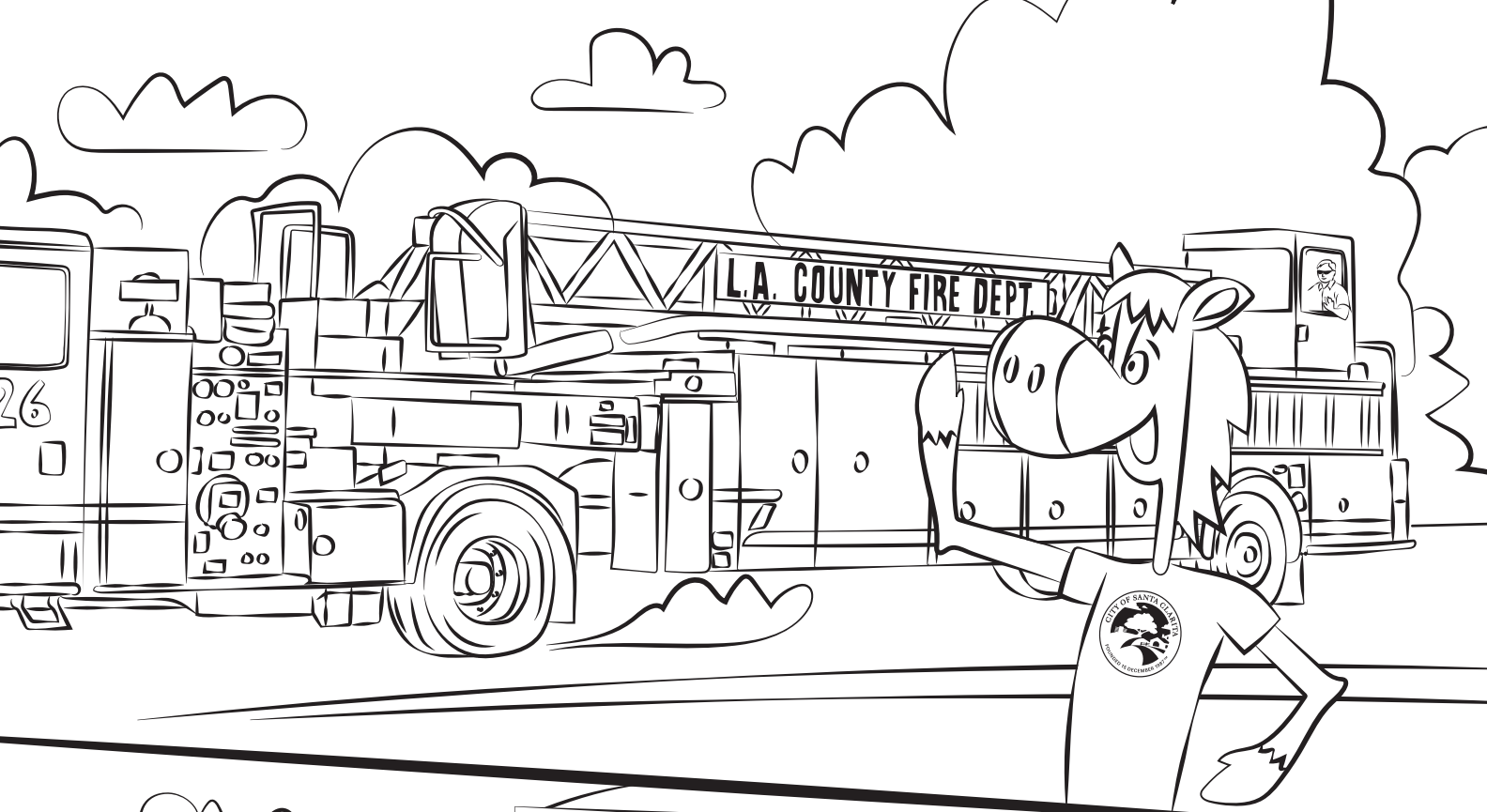
SLUURRRPPP!!!

As Sammy left the Yard, he heard a really loud noise...woooooooo, wooooooo! He saw a huge fire truck drive by with lights flashing and sirens blaring. Sammy had once gone on a tour of Fire Station 126 and knew that this truck was called a Quint. Quint means five and this huge truck has five functions - water, pump, hose, ground ladders and an aerial ladder. The Quint is so long that there is a driver in the front - and a driver in the back!



THESE VIEWS ARE
BEAUTIFUL AS FAR
AS THE EYE
CANYON SEE...



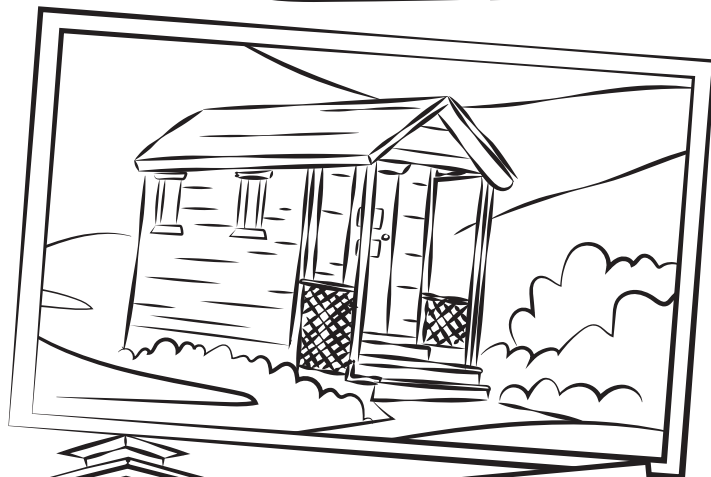


Sammy heard a tractor grumbling as it made its way up a hillside. As it pushed its way through bushes, rocks and mounds of dirt, it left a hiking trail in its path! How fun is that? Sammy trotted on over to get a closer look. The City employee told him that this kind of tractor is called a trail dozer and is used to construct new trails throughout the City's open space. Sammy loves galloping along the many trails in the City, and was so excited that this cool machine could plow through and make more!

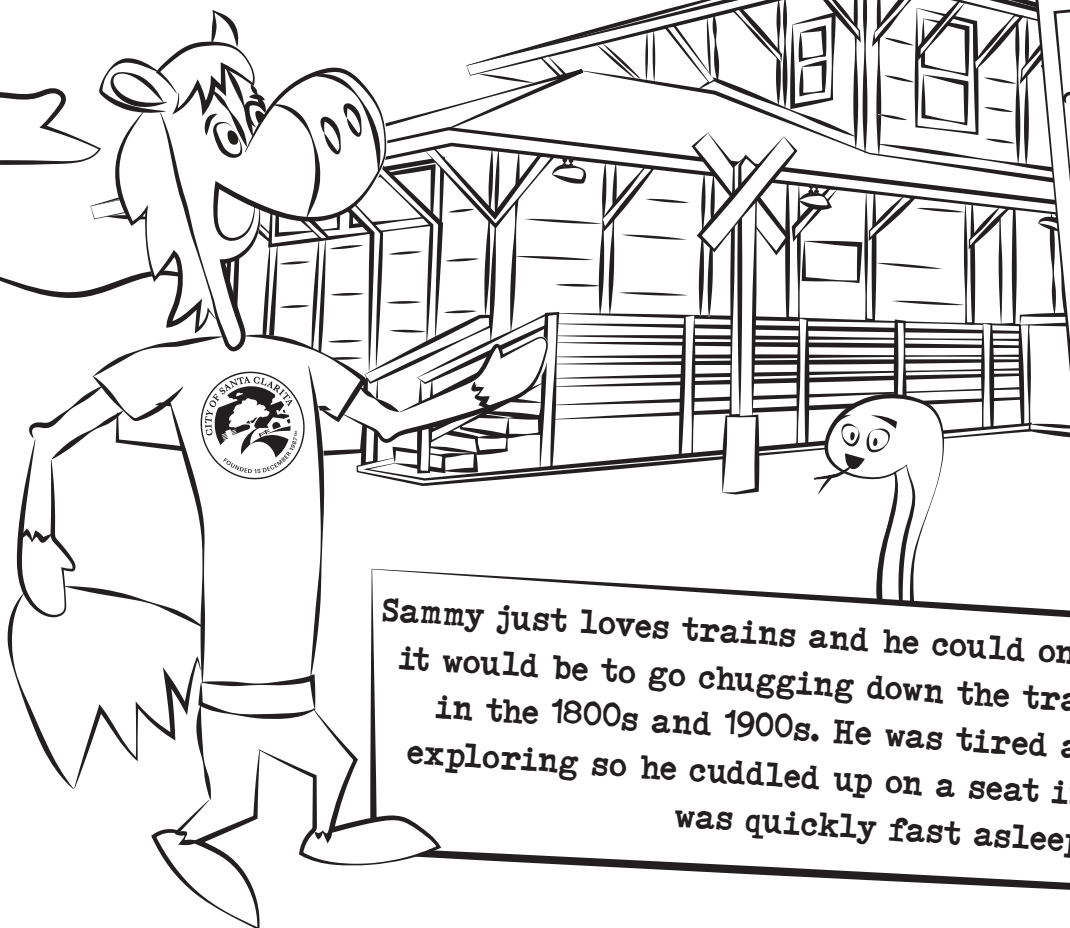


Sammy was having so much fun discovering all the wonder wheels in the City. He made his way to William S. Hart Park in Old Town Newhall and visited some fellow four-legged friends at the Barnyard. Sammy ate an apple with an alpaca named Clarice, took a tour with a tortoise, hopped a hay bale with a hog and shared a chuckle with the chickens.

Sammy then discovered a whole historic town just around the bend called Heritage Junction. There was a teeny-tiny red school house (which only had room for six desks!), a beautiful little chapel and the original Saugus Train Station! Sammy could see the big, black locomotive, and behind it... a little red caboose!



Sammy just loves trains and he could only imagine how fun it would be to go chugging down the tracks, like they did in the 1800s and 1900s. He was tired after all of his exploring so he cuddled up on a seat in the caboose and was quickly fast asleep.

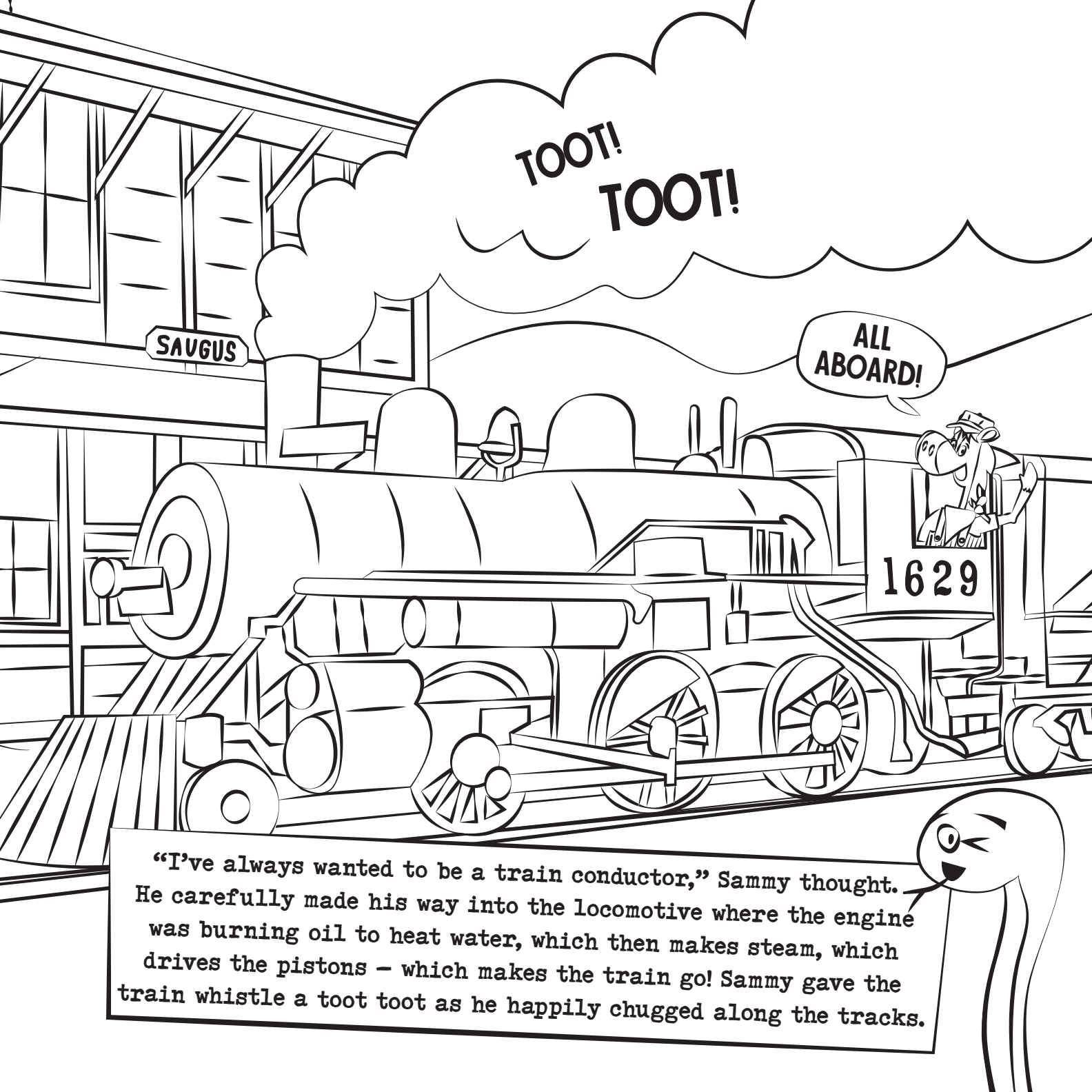


RUMBLE!

RUMBLE!

RUMBLE!

Sammy awoke with a start as he felt a rumbling and shaking underneath him – he glanced out the window of the caboose and gone were the paved roads and streets. In their place, were dirt and cobblestones and he could see the train tracks flying by underneath the wheels of the little red caboose. Sammy was so confused, he saw a newspaper on the seat next to him and the date read 1919 – Sammy had somehow traveled back in time!



TOOT!
TOOT!

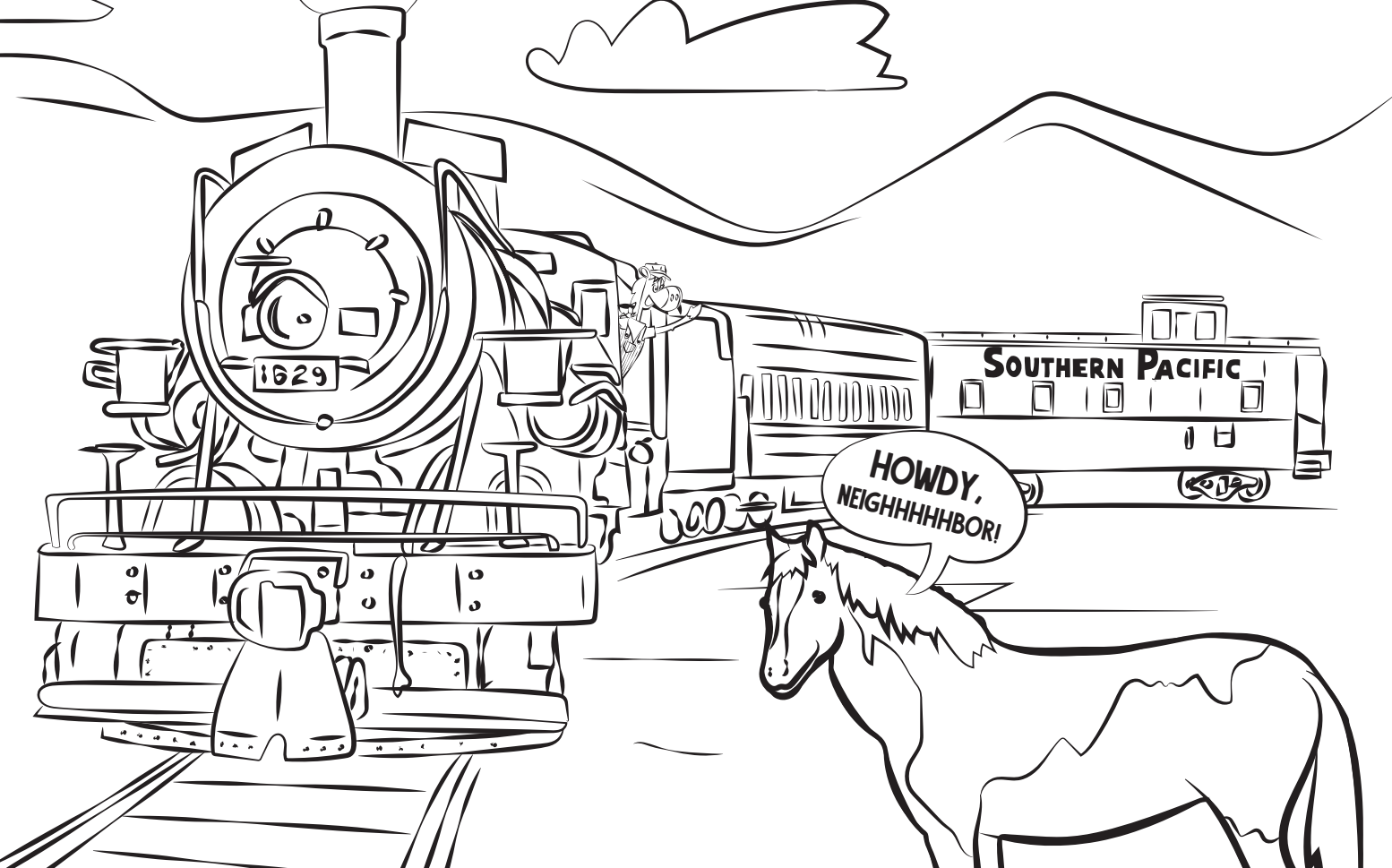
ALL
ABOARD!

SAVGUS

1629

"I've always wanted to be a train conductor," Sammy thought. He carefully made his way into the locomotive where the engine was burning oil to heat water, which then makes steam, which drives the pistons - which makes the train go! Sammy gave the train whistle a toot toot as he happily chugged along the tracks.

As the train rounded a bend, Sammy spied something white and fluffy with a long neck on the tracks ahead. "Oh no, someone is on the tracks!" bellowed Sammy. As he barreled closer Sammy could see that it was his alpaca friend from the barnyard – and it looks like one of her toes was stuck in the train tracks. "That's Clarice the alpaca. She must have gotten out of the barnyard and now she's in trouble!" Sammy exclaimed.



Sammy leapt down from the locomotive and galloped as fast as he could toward Clarice.

"Help Sammy! I'm stuck!" Clarice cried.

Sammy was just a few lengths ahead of the steaming locomotive when he finally reached Clarice. With one giant leap he dove across the tracks just inches ahead of the train. He was able to grab the terrified alpaca, pull her free and to safety on the other side of the tracks.

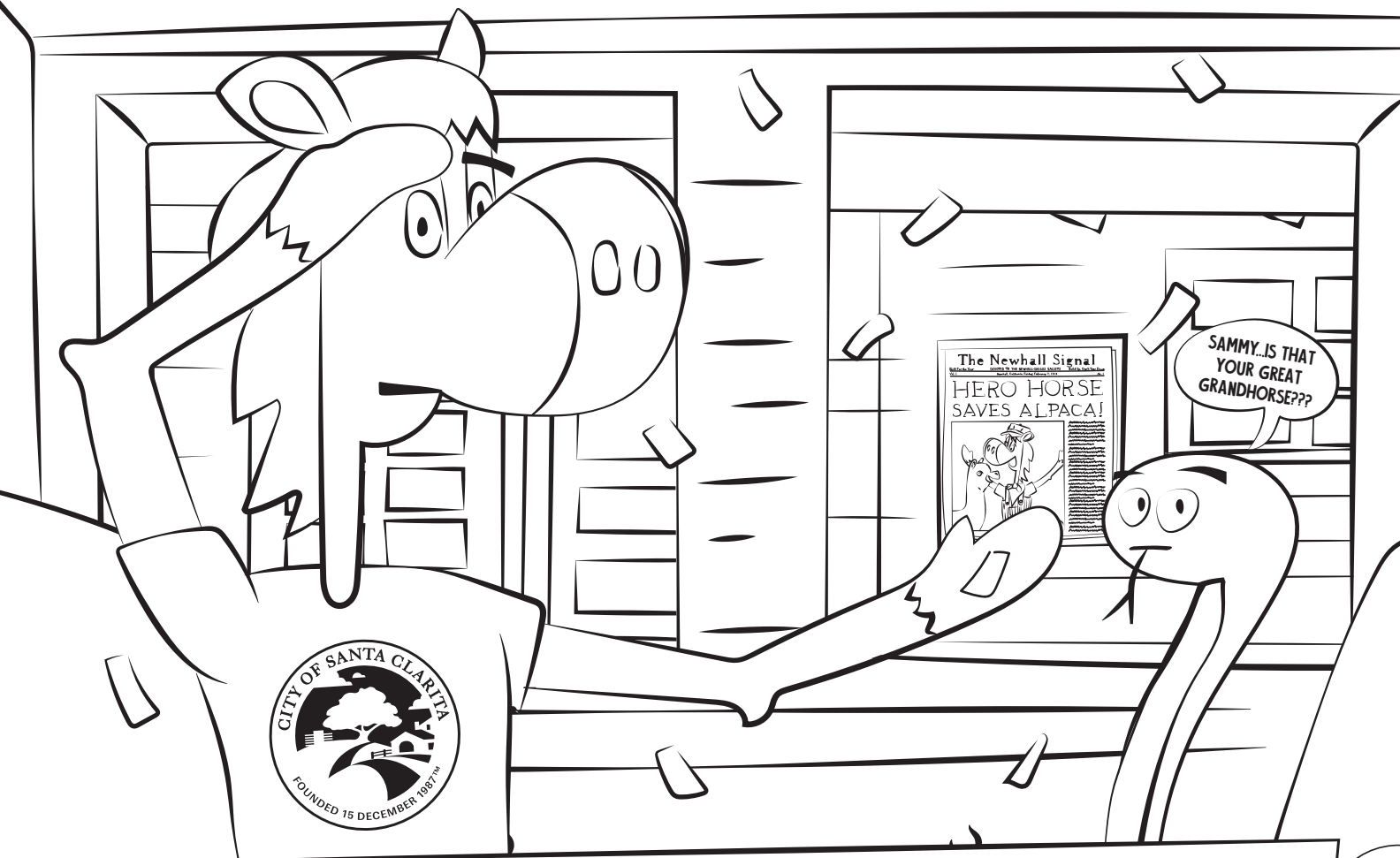




“My hero,” squealed Clarice.
The heroic horse and the alarmed alpaca Clarice boarded the train and headed back to the Saugus Station, where word had quickly spread of Sammy’s bravery and valor.

A crowd had gathered to celebrate his return, and as the train rumbled back to the Saugus Station, cheers filled his ears and confetti filled the sky. A newspaper man from The Newhall Signal, a brand-new newspaper, snapped their photo as they waved from the back of the little red caboose.





Sammy closed his eyes as a piece of confetti floated toward him. When he opened them, gone was the crowd, gone was Clarice. He was back in the little red caboose and he was back in present time.

“What an exciting dream,” thought Sammy. “How brave I was!
How exciting to be hailed as a hero.”

Sammy headed home, but as he passed the Saugus Train Station out of the corner of his eye he saw a framed newspaper that was now faded and yellow. The headline read “Hero Horse Saves Alpaca!”

Maybe it wasn't a dream!

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Build Up, Don't Tear Down

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No. 1

A black and white line drawing of a man in a suit and hat, a woman, and a small child, all smiling and looking up at a large, round, smiling object (possibly a balloon or a large fruit) that is falling from the sky. Confetti is scattered around them.

A series of 18 rows of handwritten practice lines for the letter 'z'. Each row contains a continuous, wavy line representing the letter 'z' in a cursive style. The lines are arranged in a vertical column, with some rows showing a single 'z' and others showing multiple 'z's connected together. The handwriting is consistent and fluid, demonstrating the correct stroke order and shape for the letter.

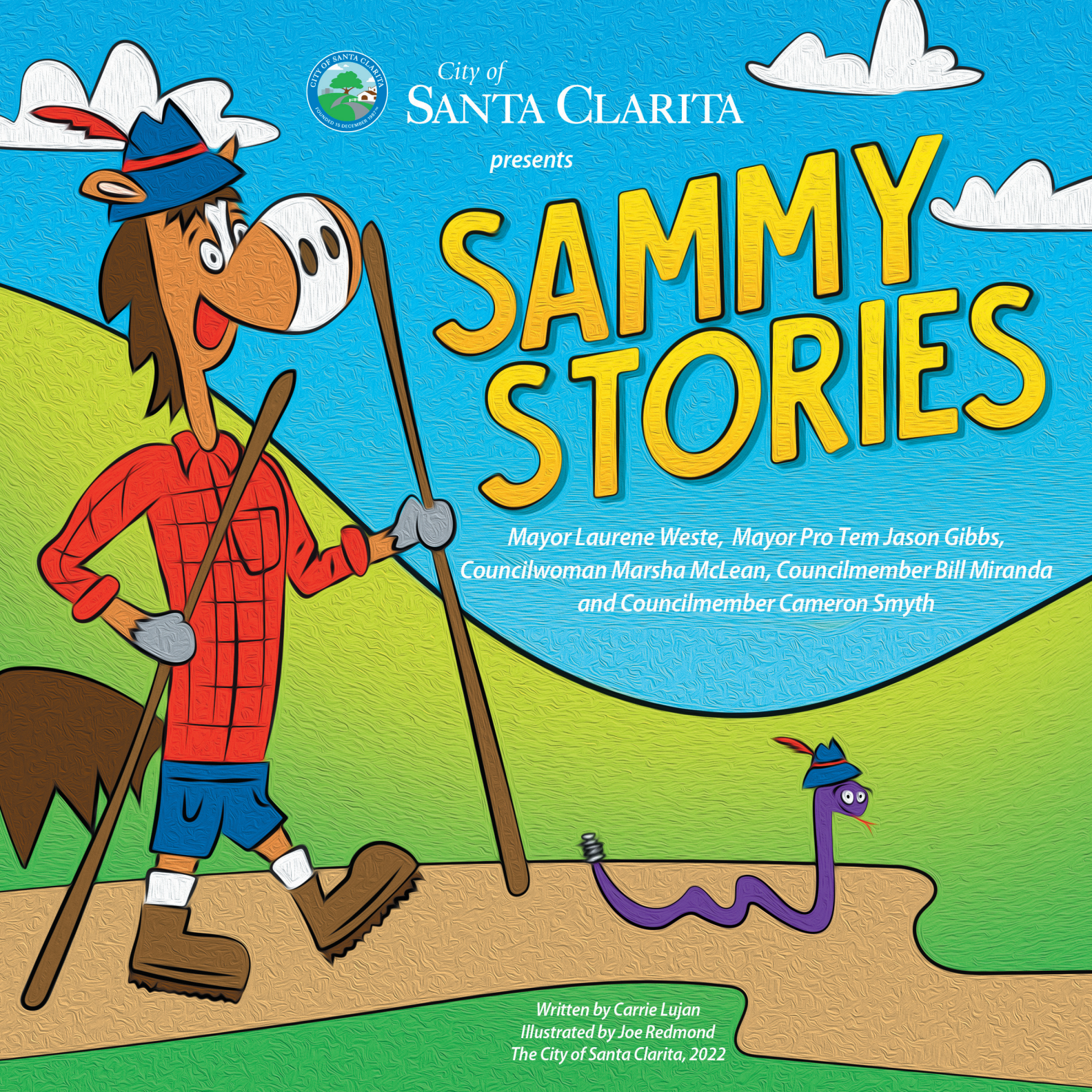


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