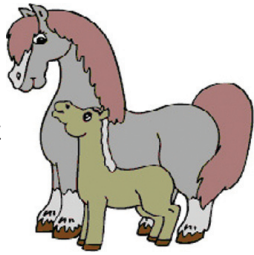


# The Story of Lawrence

Lawrence was born long ago in 1812 near the Brunswick Courthouse. He was owned by a very kind man who loved horses. Lawrence was his favorite horse. Lawrence's dad was one of Virginia's most famous race horses. His name was Sir Archy.



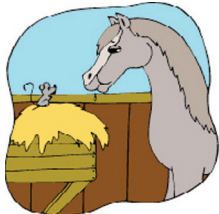
The people who lived near the Brunswick Courthouse wanted their little village to have a happy new name. Everybody knew how much Lawrence's owner, Mr. Rice, loved Lawrence. They loved horses too! They named the town for Lawrence.

**Lawrenceville**

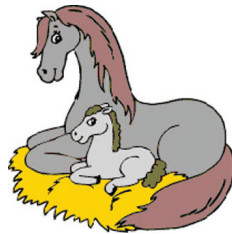
The men built a race course where all the horses could run and get blue ribbons. To work hard and get a blue ribbon was very important to the people of Lawrenceville. People came from miles away to see Lawrence and his friends race and win.



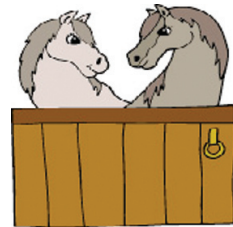
Lawrence had many friends. He visited the mice in the stables and gave rides to the butterflies in the fields.



Lawrence loved his little friends and his horse friends but most of all Lawrence wanted a baby sister. Lawrence could teach her how to run and to play. She could win her own blue ribbon! Soon his wish came true.



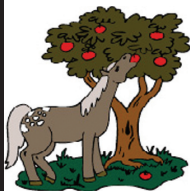
Lawrence's owner named Lawrence's new sister Maria. One day she would have a street named for her. Lawrence had someone wonderful to share his stable.



Everybody loved Maria! They decorated her mane with flowers and took her on walks in town. Lawrence was very proud of his sister.



He taught Maria how horses play. He taught her where all of the delicious, juicy apples were. He took her to the best cool water drinking spots.



Lawrenceville is proud of all of their blue-ribbon horses. They are still very proud of Lawrence. He loved nature. He loved his family. And, he loved his town. Lawrence was a very special horse.



Lawrenceville is a small, historic town in southern Virginia. It is the county seat of Brunswick County. In the early 1800s it was the home of the Lawrenceville Course, a well-known, one-mile oval racetrack. English thoroughbreds were brought to the Lawrenceville area as early as 1729 for training and breeding. The town did much to foster the best in early equine stock in Virginia. The tradition continues.

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