



**The Richard H. Stewart, Jr.**  
**American Legion Post 543**  
**St. James, NC 28461**  
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**Student Awards Night May 24, 2017**

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**American Legion Post 543 has presented twenty three scholarships and awards to students of South Brunswick High School and Brunswick County Early College High School.**



**Department of NC, COLON FURR MEMORIAL NURSING SCHOLARSHIP**

- **Donavan Eric Testerman ... Brunswick Community College**

**Post Oratorical Contest 2017**

- **3<sup>rd</sup> Place; Nestor Rodriquez ..... Brunswick Early College High School**
- **2<sup>nd</sup> Place; Olivia Corby ..... West Brunswick High School**
- **1<sup>st</sup> Place; Richard J. (RJ) Thomas ..... Brunswick Early College High School**

**JROTC Awards 2017**

- **American Legion Scholastic Excellence Award:**
  - **Cadet Tommy Nguyen ..... South Brunswick High School**  
**This award is given to the JROTC Cadet that is in the top of his/her class in JROTC subjects; have demonstrated qualities of leadership; and have actively participated in related student activities.**
- **American Legion Military Excellence Award:**
  - **Cadet Brady Udlinek ..... South Brunswick High School**  
**The recipients of this award must be in the top of his/her class and have demonstrated outstanding qualities in military leadership, discipline, character, and citizenship.**

## **JROTC Awards 2017 (continued)**

### **○ Marksmanship Awards:**

- **1<sup>st</sup> Place Marksman ..... Cadet Christina Girard**
- **2<sup>nd</sup> Place Marksman ..... Cadet Tommy Nguyen**
- **3<sup>rd</sup> Place Marksman ..... Cadet Kourtney Burton**

## **Candidates 2017 – NC Highway Patrol Student Trooper**

- **Joseph Nieto ..... Brunswick County Early College High School**
- **Ana Bottello ..... South Brunswick High School**
- **Felicia Rainwater-Lyons .... South Brunswick High School**

## **Candidates 2017 – Tar Heel Boys' State**

- **Fernando Garcia ..... Brunswick County Early College High School**
- **Hogan Disbrow..... South Brunswick High School**
- **Eli Gauldin ..... South Brunswick High School**
- **Ryan Tewell ..... South Brunswick High School**

## **Candidates 2017 – Tar Heel Girls State**

- **Savannah Prince ..... Brunswick County Early College High School**
- **Dakota Koehnle ..... Brunswick County Early College High School**
- **Whitney Walls ..... South Brunswick High School**
- **Lexie Kopp ..... South Brunswick High School**

## **2017 Richie Hat Trick Scholarship Winners**

- **1<sup>st</sup> Runner-up ..... Jay Barham**
- **Runner-up ..... Alex Grooms**
- **Winner ..... Abby McEnaney**



**Proud parents as well as organizations who made contributions for this event were present at a recent Post meeting to watch these deserving students receive their awards. The American Legion partnered with organizations such as: Coastal Cosmetic Family Dentistry, Southport/Oak Island Kiwanis Club, St. James Service Club, American Legion Auxiliary Unit 503, St. Phillips Episcopal Church, the Stewart Family and Mark Bachara to provide scholarships to these young citizens of Brunswick County.**

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