



**The Richard H. Stewart, Jr.  
American Legion Post # 543  
St. James, NC 28461  
Mike Fegan, Commander**

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**American Legion, Post 543  
Guest Speaker, Brunswick Town/ Fort Anderson**



On August 23, 2017, at the regularly scheduled meeting of the American Legion Richard H. Stewart Jr. Post 543, member Frank Carr spoke about the historic and military importance of Brunswick Town/ Fort Anderson.

Carr spoke about St. Philips Episcopal Church, now on Moore Street in Southport, but originally at Brunswick Town before it was burnt by the British in 1776. Only the walls remain, causing a ghostly look at our history.

He also talked about the need for Fort Anderson during the Civil War. Batteries of cannons were set up on the banks of the Cape Fear River to repel hostile forces from entering Wilmington, but to no avail.

Past Commander Rick Sessa, filling in for commander Fegan, thanked Mr. Carr for an interesting and informative talk. After the meeting, many legionnaires signed up to join the “Friends of Brunswick Town/Fort Anderson.”

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