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ROCK HILL, S.C. - **Three South Carolina high schools** were awarded top honors April 4 at the 32nd annual **Model United Nations** at Winthrop University.

Held April 2-4 in Tillman Hall, the program involved hundreds of students representing nearly 30 high schools from North and South Carolina. An awards ceremony Friday afternoon capped two days of deliberations over world events centered around this year's theme of "**Securing the World of Tomorrow Today.**"

Pinewood Preparatory High School of Summerville, S.C., whose team represented Ghana, took the **Winthrop Cup** for best all around high school. **Northwestern High School** of Rock Hill, S.C., representing the United Kingdom, captured the **Secretariat Award** for contributing the most to the success of the conference. The **Geoffrey Bruce Award** for the delegation acting most in character of its country went to the **Fort Mill High School** team from Fort Mill, S.C., representing the United States.

Top committee performers in the **Legal Committee** were: Veronica Martinez, Fort Mill High School, U.S.A.; Kayla Barber, Stratford High School, Cuba; and Leah Hassler, Mayo High School for Math, Science and Technology, South Africa. For the Political and Security Committee, the standouts were: Sally Horne, Rock Hill High School, Turkey; Daniel Koverman, Fort Mill High School, United States; and Ross Baker, Northwestern High School, Libya.

In the **Social and Humanitarian Committee**, recognition was given to Patrick Hockl, Pinewood Preparatory High School, Ghana; Sudeep Das, Northwestern High School, United Kingdom; Kristin Archie, Fort Mill High School, Uganda. Standouts in the General Assembly were Matt Londergan, Pinewood Preparatory High School, Ghana; Jeff Bowers, Rock Hill High School, Russia; and John Flondgon, Christ Church Episcopal, Israel.

The **African Union committee** members recognized for their work were Amy Peele, Sumter High School, Kenya; Aris Hanchard, Pinewood Preparatory High School, Ghana; and Desirae Gostlin, Mayo High School for Math, Science and Technology, South Africa. The Security Council award winners were: Katie Iannace, Pinewood Preparatory High School, Ghana; Benjamin Simpson, Northwestern High School, United Kingdom; and Scott Cameran, Mayo High School for Math, Science and Technology, South Africa.

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