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Quick Facts

- Held March 20-22 in Tillman Hall and the DiGiorgio Campus Center, the program involved hundreds of students representing nearly 30 high schools from North and South Carolina.
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Pinewood Prep School team

ROCK HILL, S.C. - Three South Carolina high schools were awarded top honors March 22 at the **37th annual Model United Nations** at Winthrop University.

Held March 20-22 in **Tillman Hall** and the **DiGiorgio Campus Center**, 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 **"Globalization: Peace, Security and Development."**



Rock Hill High School team

The Russian team from **Pinewood Preparatory High School** of Summerville, S.C., - Ben Gamble, Bobby Thomas, Logan Dwyer and Mattie Piness - took the **Winthrop Cup** for best all around high school.

Rock High School of Rock Hill, S.C., representing Brazil (Kimberly Tipton, Virginia Horne, Nick Walker and Zack Miller), captured the **Secretariat Award** for contributing the most to the success of the conference.



Fort Mill High School team

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 Germany (Kit Dunton, Michael Avossa, Emma Thiria and Nicholas Cunningham).

The **Rookie Award** was given to the Military and Global Leadership Academy of Charlotte, N.C., representing Honduras.

Individual awards also were given out. Top committee performers in the **Legal Committee** were: Panama, Khoi Tran; Germany, Emma Thiria; and Ecuador, Gabrielle Hasenstab.

For the **Political and Security Committee**, the students who performed well were: Ecuador, Cassandra Sobers; Brazil, Nick Walker; and Russia, Mattie Piness.

In the **Social and Humanitarian Committee**, recognition was given to: Brazil, Virginia Horne;

Myanmar, Alexis Hoffman; and Russia, Logan Dwyer. Standouts in the **Summit of the Americans** were: Ecuador, Jay Harness; Mexico, Meagan Cain; and Belize, Mac Hughes.

Meanwhile, in the **Security Council**, students recognized were Russia, Ben Gamble; Guatemala, Haley Selby; and Azerbaijan, Andrew MacPhee. In the **General Assembly**, student award winners were the Russian delegation (Ben Gamble, Bobby Thomas, Logan Dwyer and Mattie Piness), Germany (Kit Dunton, Michael Avossa, Emma Thiria and Nicholas Cunningham) and Yemen (Morgan Adams, Annie Williams and Kaitlin McClamrock).

Winthrop students recognized were: Kayla Davis as best chair, and **college delegates** - Sh'Kur Francis for South Africa; Candace Lenox, France; Steven Benitez, Brazil; Colleen Rice, Canada; Rob Vereen, DPRK; and Bryant Cannon, Pakistan.

This year's **Secretariat** operated under the student leadership of **Allie Briggs**, coordinating general; **Leonel Gonzalez**, director general; and **Summersby Okey**, secretary general.

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