



The AMA History Project Presents: Biography of SCOTT ARFIN



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The following was published in the January 2001 issue of Model Aviation magazine. Scott was a 2000 AMA Scholarship winner.

Scott Arfin, who graduated from Clarkstown High School in New York, received the top Charles H. Grant award of \$5,000. He also received the Weak Signals award of \$4,500.

Scott has entered the Columbia University School of Engineering. He is planning to major in electrical engineering.

In high school, he received awards for physics, science, math, and orchestra. Scott served as editor in chief of the school's award-winning math magazine. As a senior, Scott advanced to the national level of the Chemistry Olympiad.

At the Greater Metropolitan New York Math Fair, Scott earned gold and silver medals for the presentation of original math research papers on data compression and perfect number theory.

Scott ranked seventh in his class of 320. His weighted grade point average was 4.45 out of a possible 4.65. School activities included holding the office of president of the Physics Club and playing in various orchestras.

His community activities included performing music at nursing homes and participating on the planning committee for an Israel Programs Information Fair. Scott also worked in a photo lab and taught computer skills to a class of 20 fourth- and fifth-grade students.

Scott's aeromodeling experience is in the Free Flight category, particularly Indoor. From a competitive standpoint, he has competed in the Science Olympiad in the propeller propulsion events.

Scott's advanced physics teacher stated, "Scott is a fine young man with an enormous desire to learn, along with extraordinary skills."

The Academy wishes him every success in his continuing education.

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