



The AMA History Project Presents: Biography of BRYAN FULMER



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The following articles were published in the April and October 1986 issues of Model Aviation magazine. Bryan was a 1985 AMA Scholarship and 1986 Tom Hutchinson Memorial Scholarship winner.

Bryan Fulmer, Mishawaka, Indiana, was awarded \$1,000, which has been sent to Purdue University. Bryan's major will be mechanical engineering. At Penn High School, Bryan made the Honor Roll for every grading period. He participated in football, basketball, and softball. At the regional science fair, his EZB indoor model won a first place award. To prepare for the university and its related expenses, he held a job at the local Ford agency where he assisted in reconditioning used cars. A very keen aeromodeler, he has set three national records in recent years. They are Category II Indoor Hand Launched Glider, Category III "B" Free Flight, and Category III "C" Free Flight.

He won the Sig Memorial Award in 1981, and holds the perpetual trophy from the 11th Annual Midwestern States Indoor Free Flight Championships. At the Reno Nats, he entered twenty events, winning ten 1sts, seven 2nds, and two third places. In 1985, Bryan was a competitor at the U.S. Indoor National Championships held in Niagara Falls. He has entered every Nats since 1977, quite an achievement!

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In late 1985, Rosemary Hutchinson established a permanent fund in memory of her husband, Tom, an avid Free Flight enthusiast. Tom spent much of his modeling time giving a helping hand to beginners, especially young people. Mrs. Hutchinson felt an annual scholarship that could lend a financial helping hand to college-age students would be a fitting memorial to her husband and his love of model aircraft.

Mrs. Hutchinson has provided the total funding for the scholarship.

The winner for 1986 is Bryan Fulmer of Mishawaka, Indiana. A very keen Free Flighter, Bryan has competed in local, state, and national competition. For example, at the 1985 Nats, he took first places in HLF- all wood, HLG Hi-tech, AMA Scale, Peanut Scale, and Easy B. Introduced to model aviation by his father several years ago, Bryan has been a strong and positive contributor to his club and to the sport in his area.

One of five children (one brother, three sisters), Bryan is just completing his first year as a Mechanical Engineering student at Purdue University in Lafayette, Indiana.

We wish him every success with his university career. A check for \$500 has been mailed to him to assist with his expenses. Good luck, Bryan.

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