



## **AAMCF AWARDS J. RICHARD OLTMANN SCHOLARSHIP**

***Austin Secor of Broomfield CO Receives the annual American Amusement Machine Charitable Foundation J. Richard Oltmann \$5,000 Scholarship***



**Elk Grove Village, IL – June 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018** - The American Amusement Machine Charitable Foundation (AAMCF) has awarded the second \$5000 J. Richard Oltmann Scholarship to Austin Secor. He is a driven and highly involved individual who will be pursuing an engineering degree at Colorado Christian University.

### **About AAMCF – J. Richard Oltmann Scholarship Program**

The AAMCF J. Richard Oltmann Scholarship honors the legacy left by one of our industries most passionate supporters. Mr. Oltmann's example of sharing best practices and teaching others the ins and outs of "the business" are the stuff of legend; there's more than one successful member of our industry who are where they are in no small part due to Richard's mentoring and support.

Born from a desire to continue his enthusiastic commitment to education, Richard's family contacted the AAMCF requesting a scholarship be established in his name with initial funding provided by his estate. The AAMCF Board was humbly honored and incredibly grateful to be selected by Richard's family to take on the administration and promotion of this worthy endeavor.

### **About the Scholarship Recipient – Austin Secor**

Austin Secor, 18, is from Broomfield, CO. He is a recent graduate from Hope Academy High School. The American Safety and Health Institute certified him as a CPR instructor and trains groups of 5-30 people in first aid. Additionally, he has been acknowledged by the National Honor Society and earned 5 AP college course credits and took 5 honors courses throughout his four years at Hope Academy. He earned his Eagle Scout, First Degree Black Belt and was an assistant instructor at 5280 Black Ice, volunteered at A Precious Child, and participated in trash pickup at City of Westminster and City of Broomfield – all while maintaining a 4.2 grade point average.

Austin expressed his passion for space and we were moved by his dedication to furthering his curiosity by attending Space Camp for three consecutive summers in Huntsville, AL. In his application, Austin wrote, "The camp provides me countless experiences I can't find elsewhere. From simulated moon missions to engineering challenges, I love and excel at them all. These activities give me a chance to lead and experience a whole new level of teamwork."

Austin said, "Receiving the Oltmann Scholarship lightens the stress of paying for college; allowing me to focus more on my academic studies and community outreach. This scholarship has given me a jumpstart on my college career and set me on a path for success."



Not everyone takes their passions as seriously as Austin, and we are proud to award him the scholarship, so he can begin utilizing all he learned at Hope Academy and Space Camp to pursue an engineering degree at Colorado Christian University this fall.

**About the American Amusement Machine Charitable Foundation**

Since 1983, the AAMCF has contributed nearly \$1.5 million dollars to more than 125 organizations and foundations. Serving as the charitable arm of the American Amusement Machine Association (AAMA), our success is due to the support of AAMA members, colleagues, vendors, families and friends.

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