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June 8, 2007

Dr. Carl Hershner, Chairman
Dept. of Resource Management and Policy
P.O. Box 1346
Virginia Institute of Marine Science
Gloucester Point, VA 23062

Dear Dr. Hershner:

The Scholarship Committee has enthusiastically endorsed the selection of Jessica Hines, Emily Howe and Azure Bevington as the 2007 winners of the **GCA Award in Coastal Wetlands Studies**. We appreciate your work and the work of your Selection Committee and their dedication to selecting outstanding recipients for this fellowship. Please convey our sincere thanks to all.

An article announcing our scholarship recipients will appear in the June issue of the *GCA Bulletin* and we hope that an announcement of the Ecological Restoration winners can be printed in an appropriate Virginia Institute of Marine Science publication. This is certainly beneficial to both of our organizations, as well as to our winners.

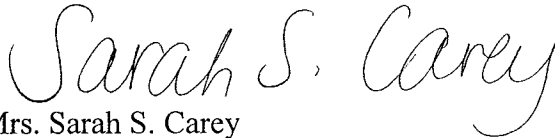
According to our Agreement, please find a check for \$500 enclosed for the administrative fee for the past year. Also, I have enclosed an Agreement (contract of renewal) for the upcoming year's work, which begins July 1, 2007 and concludes on June 30, 2008.

Would you kindly have the Agreements signed as soon as possible and return one copy to Mrs. Judy Smith, The Garden Club of America, 14 East 60th Street, New York, NY 10022. An envelope has been included for your convenience.

Sue MacDonald (Mrs. Alaster), Vice Chairman of the Award in Coastal Wetlands, will continue in her present position for the coming year. My term as chairman of the Scholarship Committee will end on June 30, 2007. Angel Morris (Mrs. Edward W., Jr.) of Rye, NY will assume the chairmanship on July 1, 2007 and you will hear from her shortly thereafter.

Thank you for your continued commitment to the Award in Coastal Wetlands Studies and your work with us throughout its development. Our committee and our membership take pride in our association with you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sarah S. Carey". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Mrs. Sarah S. Carey
Chairman
Scholarship Committee

Encl: Check (\$500)
Agreement (two copies) July 1, 2007 - June 30, 2008
Envelope for return of signed copy

cc: Mrs. Alaster MacDonald
Mrs. Carl L. Estes, II
Mrs. Peter B. Cherry

March 23, 2007



Ms. Jessica Hines
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Dear Ms. Hines,

It is with great pleasure that the Scholarship Committee of The Garden Club of America awards you a **2007 GCA Award in Coastal Wetland Studies**. Your research project was well presented and will clearly have an impact on the field of coastal wetlands. We look forward to hearing more about it as you proceed.

In accepting this fellowship, you agree to submit two copies of your final report, once your project has been completed. Please send one to the Virginia Institute of Marine Science at gcawetlands@sweethall.wetlan.vims.edu and a second to The Garden Club of America's Scholarship Committee. This report should include your permanent and e-mail addresses. The GCA Scholarship Committee also requests a summary in laymen's terms (250 words) and at least three high-resolution digital images of you at work in the field that may be used for publication. Please submit this material on a CD (2 copies) to the Scholarship Committee at the address above. We are not able to return these materials. It is also requested that any publication or other public release of information regarding your research acknowledge The Garden Club of America's support.

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We have included two copies of this letter. If you agree to the terms and conditions of the fellowship, please sign the second copy of this letter and return it by April 16th to Mrs. Judy Smith at The Garden Club of America in the enclosed envelope.

In September, our vice chairman will contact you by email for a brief progress report to be shared at our October meeting.

Again, we congratulate you on winning this fellowship and wish you every success as your work progresses. Our check for \$5,000 is enclosed.

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Chairman, Scholarship Committee

Enclosures

cc: Mrs. Alaster MacDonald, Vice Chairman, Scholarship Committee
Ms. Karen Reay, Virginia Institute of Marine Science
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Signed _____ Date _____

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Ms. Emily Howe
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Dear Ms. Howe,

It is with great pleasure that the Scholarship Committee of The Garden Club of America awards you the **2007 GCA Award in Coastal Wetland Studies**. Your work at the School of Aquatic and Fishery Sciences in Washington will benefit all who are concerned with this vital subject. We look forward to hearing more about it as your studies continue.

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Ms. Azure Bevington
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Dear Ms. Bevington,

It is with great pleasure that the Scholarship Committee of The Garden Club of America awards you the **2007 GCA Award in Coastal Wetland Studies**. Your research: *The Influence of Environmental Factors and Nutrient Availability on *Typha* spp (cattails) Dominance in Created Wetlands* will be of value to all those studying in this field. We look forward to hearing more about it as you continue in your studies.

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